



BES "Principal Update" - Dec 3, 2025



Dear BES Families,

Whoa! We've made it to December. How did that happen so quickly?? Only 3 weeks left before Winter Break, but they are busy weeks, so please see below for some important school & community updates between now and the break! 😊

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Important UPCOMING Dates:

Thur Dec 4 - "Hold & Secure" Drill @ 10am - to practice what to do when there is a security concern in the neighborhood (lock all exterior doors and remain in the school).

Friday Dec 12 - Fall "Learning Updates" (report cards) go home

Mon Dec 15 - "Winter Concert" Rehearsals

Tue Dec 16 - BES Winter Concert @ 6-7pm (Dress Rehearsal @ 1:30pm)

- Student in classrooms by 5:30pm (enter through exterior classroom doors and no wandering hallways)
- Doors open at 5:45pm (main entrance only)
- Show starts at 6pm
- No "early entry" or "reserving seats"

Mon Dec 15 - Wed Dec 17 - PAC "Winter Market" (in library)

Fri Dec 19 - Last Day of School & Pajama Day

Dec 20 - Jan 4 - Winter Break

Jan 5 - School Re-opens

Important School Updates:

- 1) **“Scent Free” School** - We are sending out another reminder that we are a “scent free” school as the scents can have negative health impacts on some staff and students. Please remind your children not to wear any type of scented sprays, creams, or other products.


- 2) **Basketball Team** - We are SUPER proud of our Gr 6/7 Basketball team for a great season and year-end tournament yesterday. The kids worked really hard all season, supported each other, and never gave up. Also, BIG thanks to our parent volunteer “Coach Matt” for helping out this year!

- 3) **Lost and Found** - One again, our lost & found is bursting at the seams and looking for their home. All “un-claimed” clothing will be taken to the SOS on Dec 19, so please come by the school to take any of your kids' clothing home for the holidays.

- 4) **BES Food Programs** - Some of you may or may not know that our school has an amazing food program led by our *Foods Coordinator (Ms. Crystal)* and ***supported by our school district and community donations***. Here are the different options we offer:
 - a) **Daily Lunch Program** - that provides “homemade” lunches for about 30 kids on a daily basis (who require it) and for about 5-10 more kids on an “as needed” basis (when they forget their lunches or need more food).
 - b) **Hot Lunch Program** - This “purchase” option is coordinated and supported by our school PAC with approximately 50-60 kids ordering 3 days a week.
 - c) **Fruit & Veggies Program** - provided by our local grocery store, Tomm’s Grocery, Ms. Crystal provides each classroom with daily fruit bowls, with more available when needed.
 - d) **Daily Snacks** - Ms. Crystal always has a variety of snacks available in the MPR for any child who is hungry.

BES PAC Updates:

HOLIDAY SHOP (Dec 15–17)

Students shop for \$1 gifts for their families and PAC volunteers help wrap them.  Volunteers

Needed: Set-up, cashier shifts, gift wrapping

Dates: Dec 12, 15, 16 & 17 (during school hours) To volunteer: email
bowserPACFundraising@gmail.com

Donations Requested (Due Dec 11)

Please donate:

- New/giftable items
- Gift bags & tissue
- Reusable/plastic bags
- Ribbons, bows, labels

Drop-off Locations:

- 5154 Gainsburg Rd – inside front gate
 - 183 Kenmuir Rd – front porch
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BASKET RAFFLE (Draw at Winter Concert – Dec 16)

We're aiming for \$150-\$200 value baskets. Families & businesses are invited to contribute items for baskets or to sponsor an entire basket!

Themes:

1. Winter Holiday (*blankets, candles, gloves, seasonal decor, festive treats*)
2. Family Fun (*Games, activity books, movie night snacks*)
3. Sweet Tooth (*candy, candy, candy!*)
4. Bath & Spa (*bath salts, bubble bath, lotions, face masks*)
5. Gourmet Drinks & Snacks (*cookies, chocolates, drink mixes, jams and preserves*)

Deadline: Dec 11

Email BowserPACFundraising@gmail.com to contribute.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Sunday, January 11 (8am–Noon)

Happening at the Lighthouse Community Hall. A major PAC fundraiser — we need 10+ volunteers!

To volunteer: email bowserpac@gmail.com

Huy cep q'u (thank you),

BES Admin Team

We acknowledge and are honoured to live, work, and play on the unceded traditional shared territory of the Qualicum and Snaw'Naw'As First Nations.