



# BLUMENORT SCHOOL

**BENGALS UPDATE 17 - DECEMBER 20, 2024**

## **Bengals Music Department Update**

A huge thank you to Mrs. Sawatzky and our Grade 1-3 students and staff for all of their efforts putting together our Christmas Concert! Once again, we received many appreciative comments on the performance. Thank you as well to the Blumenort Community Church for your ongoing partnership! Don't forget to check out Page 3 for some photos!

## **Grade 8 Farewell Committee Meeting**

Our Grade 8 Farewell is held every June, but the planning begins as soon as the new year arrives. We have had a handful of parents express interest in being on our committee so here is our official invitation to all of our Grade 8 parents. Please email Mrs. Benitez in our main office, if you are interested.

## **Blumenort Community Library Christmas Holiday Story Hour**

Parents/Caregivers are welcome to come on down with their children for story time at the Blumenort Community Library (in the Blumenort Community Church) to listen to some fun stories being read by members of our community. The dates are Friday, December 27th and Friday, January 3rd from 10:30-11:30am.

## **The Umbrella Project - Dr. Jen**

Welcome to a new month at the Umbrella Project! This month we are shifting our focus to a skill that helps us persevere in the face of challenges, **Grit!** Grit is the skill that stops us from quitting on the bad days and gives us courage to persevere towards our goals and passions. With the cold weather we could all use a bit of extra grit to get through those chilly winter challenges. What will grit do for my child? Excellence in anything we do requires commitment, hard work and failures along the way. Grit helps us continue to practice the things we would like to improve instead of giving up. Having grit can help us overcome obstacles even on the toughest days. In every type of work or school subject, grit can be as important to our success as talent or intelligence. It allows us to rise to the challenge of difficult goals and run the last mile.

**Make working on weak spots a game** - Even in the face of abundant strengths, our weaknesses will often lead us to give up. As often as you can, find the game in working on your child's weaknesses. Practicing anything can be intense and span many years to get to a level of excellence. Try to help your child find the fun in the tough spots instead of feeling like they aren't good enough. Here's an example: When my daughter was struggling with how quickly she could do mental math, we found ways to make it a fun challenge by engaging her in games designed specifically to increase processing speed. By adding some fun to this otherwise frustrating task, she was able to quickly improve and move on with renewed confidence. In addition, remember that fun and laughter also improves cognitive flexibility and can help our children think of new ways to solve the problems they are facing.

## **Season's Greetings from the Staff at Blumenort School!**



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from all of the Staff  
at Blumenort School!*

# **Bengals Lunch Hour Canteen**

Thank you to Mrs. Kinley and our Canteen Crew for putting together our school canteen, which will be open on Wednesdays and Fridays, beginning **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15TH.** In the meantime, please check out the Canteen Policies and the Canteen Menu before the Grand Opening!

## **CANTEEN MENU**

 <p><b>Fruit Snacks</b> \$0.50</p>	 <p><b>Granola</b> \$0.50</p>	 <p><b>Bear Paws</b> \$0.50</p>	 <p><b>Rice Krispies</b> \$0.50</p>	 <p><b>Pringles</b> \$0.50</p>
 <p><b>Cookies</b> \$0.75</p>	 <p><b>Hot Rod</b> \$0.75</p>	 <p><b>Cheese String</b> \$0.75</p>	 <p><b>Bubly</b> \$0.75</p>	 <p><b>Chocolate Milk</b> \$1.50</p>
 <p><b>Ritz Bits</b> \$1.00</p>	 <p><b>Veggie Straws</b> \$1.00</p>	 <p><b>Chips</b> \$1.00</p>		 <p><b>Gatorade Zero</b> \$1.50</p>

## **CANTEEN POLICIES**

- All canteen list items are subject to availability.
- The canteen menu items are not intended to replace a student lunch, but to supplement their lunch with additional snacks or drinks.
- Students should only bring enough money to school to buy canteen items for themselves for that day in particular.
- Students will not be permitted to make large purchases to share with their friends or classmates.
- Canteen workers will be treated with kindness and respect at all times.

## Grade 1-3 Christmas Concert Highlights





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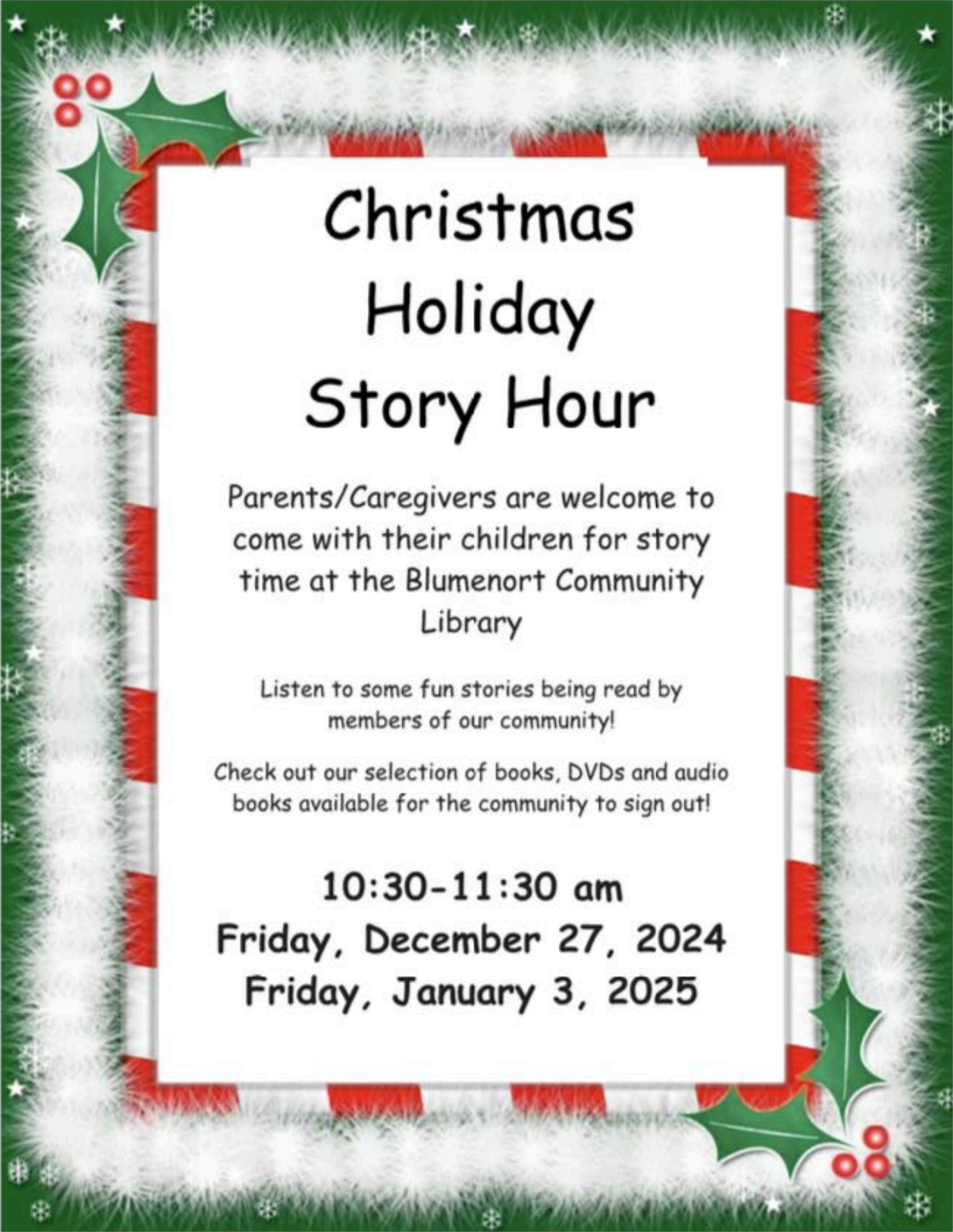
**SANTA CLAUS  
IS COMING**

**TO TOWN**



On December 23rd, from 1-6pm, Santa Claus is coming to the Library, join us for family festivities!

- Free, drop in event! No registration!!
- Storytime and songs with Santa
- Christmas photos with Santa (please bring your own device for pictures)
- Free hot chocolate, coffee, cookies and popcorn while supplies last
- Christmas movies
- Card making and ornament decorating



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time at the Blumenort Community  
Library

Listen to some fun stories being read by  
members of our community!

Check out our selection of books, DVDs and audio  
books available for the community to sign out!

**10:30-11:30 am**  
**Friday, December 27, 2024**  
**Friday, January 3, 2025**

## **Hanover Parent Child Community Program (HPCCP)**

Do you have a child that is kindergarten-age or younger?

Do you have some free time during the day?

We have the place for you!

Come and visit us for a program filled with laughter,  
songs, crafts, stories, and a snack!

You can find us at:

- **Elmdale School** on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:00am to 11:30am and Thursdays from 1:00pm to 3:30pm.
- **Mitchell Elementary School** on Tuesdays from 1:00pm to 3:30pm and Thursdays and Fridays from 9:00am to 11:30am.
- **Kleefeld Community Centre** on Mondays from 1:00pm to 3:30pm and Wednesdays from 9:00am to 11:30am.
- **Bothwell School** on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 1:00pm to 3:30pm (*Please come shortly prior to 1:00 or after 1:08 to avoid the recess transition*).
- **South Oaks School** on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 11:30am.

Can't make it for the whole 2 and a half hours? That's fine with us!

We are drop-in and you are always welcome to  
come late or leave early if that is what is best for you.

Infants are more than welcome and we cannot wait to meet you and your child(ren)!

Parents are required to stay with their child(ren).

We are a free program and pre-registration is not required.

Please bring indoor footwear during these snowy months!

If you have any questions, please email Stacey Marcoux at [smarcoux@hsd.ca](mailto:smarcoux@hsd.ca).



# JANUARY 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		<b>1</b> <i>New Year's Day</i>	<b>2</b> <i>Christmas Break</i>	<b>3</b> <i>Christmas Break</i>
<b>6</b> <i>Classes Resume</i>  <b>Day 1</b>	<b>7</b> <i>UP Grit Kickoff Assembly</i> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i>  <b>Day 2</b>	<b>8</b>  <b>Day 3</b>	<b>9</b> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i>  <b>Day 4</b>	<b>10</b>  <b>Day 5</b>
<b>13</b>  <b>Day 6</b>	<b>14</b> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i>  <b>Day 1</b>	<b>15</b> <i>Bengals Canteen</i>  <b>Day 2</b>	<b>16</b> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i>  <b>Day 3</b>	<b>17</b> <i>Bengals Canteen</i> <i>Grade 7 MYLO YFC</i>  <b>Day 4</b>
<b>20</b>  <b>Day 5</b>	<b>21</b> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i>  <b>Day 6</b>	<b>22</b> <i>Bengals Canteen</i>  <b>Day 1</b>	<b>23</b> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i>  <b>Day 2</b>	<b>24</b> <i>Bengals Canteen</i> <i>Grade 8 MYLO YFC</i>  <b>Day 3</b>
<b>27</b>  <b>Day 4</b>	<b>28</b> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i>  <b>Day 5</b>	<b>29</b> <i>Bengals Canteen</i>  <b>Day 6</b>	<b>30</b> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i>  <b>Day 1</b>	<b>31</b> <i>PD Day</i> <i>NO CLASSES</i>

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