



# Ladysmith Intermediate School

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## Principal's Message

Seasons Greetings!

It seems like we just opened our doors and here we are with Christmas right around the corner. December is a very busy month for all of us at Ladysmith Intermediate School. Everyone is high in spirits and excited to decorate and spread holiday cheer.

I must say I am grateful and lucky to be at LIS with all of our caring adults going above and beyond to ensure happiness and success for all students. Everyone plays an vital role in the lives of our kids, but most importantly, when our kids recognize their role and understand that attitudes, values, work ethic and willingness to support one another, determines are success and failures. The sky will be the limit.

I would like to wish all our families a happy holidays and look forward to working with each and everyone of you in the New Year.

Warmest Regards,  
Mr. Dionte Jelks  
Principal



It seems hard to believe that Christmas is fast approaching and so is the Christmas concert. Every child in each grade has been given the opportunity to be part of the concert in some capacity. The material to be presented at the concert was learned/completed during Fine Arts time or in the case of the musical "Lights Camera Christmas" during extra-curricular rehearsal times (before school or during lunch breaks).

Students in the musical have been provided a costume suggestion guide with the original rehearsal schedule. Please see Ms. Furlan if you have lost or need another. All students in "Lights Camera Christmas" will wear their costume throughout the concert. Any grade 4 student-not in the musical- but singing from Toft or Boon's class are asked to dress as elves for their role in the concert. This can be simply wearing red or green and a Santa hat.

Students in grades 5-7 will be singing selections from "The Polar Express". They too can add festive touches to their attire to fit the holiday season.

The concert will be held in the school gym on Thursday, December 19th @ 7:00 p.m. A dress rehearsal will be held @ 1:00 p.m. that same day. Tickets are not required.

See you at the show!

## Upcoming Dates

<b>December 2</b>	Santa Hat month begins
<b>December 3</b>	Food Hamper Food Drive
<b>December 4</b>	Red Green Day
<b>December 9-13</b>	Spirit Week
<b>December 13</b>	Div. 11 Entrepreneurial Fair
<b>December 19</b>	Christmas Concert (1:00 Dress Rehearsal, 7:00 Show)
<b>December 20</b>	Vacation begins Hot Lunch
<b>January 6</b>	Schools reopen; Kindness Café Opens
<b>January 17</b>	Hot Lunch
<b>January 27- 31</b>	Literacy Week
<b>January 31</b>	WRAP (Writing, Reading and Pre- senting) Showcase of Learning
<b>February 1</b>	Act of Kindness Month begins
<b>February 14</b>	Red and White Day for Valentine's
<b>February 17</b>	Family Day No School
<b>February 24 &amp; 25</b>	Pro D Day—No School
<b>February 26</b>	Pink Shirt Day

## Ladysmith Intermediate Bell Schedule



<b>Welcome Bell</b>	<b>8:35 a.m.</b>
<b>Classes Start</b>	<b>8:40 a.m.</b>
<b>Recess</b>	<b>10:15a.m. - 10:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Lunch</b>	<b>11:45a.m. - 12:26 p.m.</b>
<b>Dismissal</b>	
<b>(Mondays)</b>	<b>1:37 p.m.</b>
<b>(Tuesdays-Fridays)</b>	<b>2:37 p.m.</b>

## Christmas Cheer Fund

The Leadership Ambassadors are collecting non-perishable foods for Ladysmith Resource Centre.

If you have any items you are willing to donate, please send them along with your child to school. We'll be collecting right up until Concert night.

**Spread the Christmas  
Cheer!**





## Traffic Safety

**Please make sure you're dropping off or picking up your children from either 3rd or 4th Avenue each day.**

The crosswalk on 4th Ave can be a bit hairy on rainy days- please remind your children to trip-check before crossing. Thank you for moving through that area with extra caution!

## Holiday Spirit Days December 10-13

We'll be showing some Tiger Pride the week of December 10-14, as we gear up for a theme-day each day next week.

- Monday:** Red and Green Day
- Tuesday:** Ugly Holiday Sweater Day
- Wednesday:** Holiday Sock Day
- Thursday:** Candy Cane Day wear red & white
- Friday:** Christmas (or regular) PJ Day

Class door decorations will start on Dec 2nd. We'll announce the winner of our Door Decorating Contest on Dec 16th.

**Dressing for Winter:** Here at LIS we value outdoor play. Please ensure your child is dressed properly for the weather. We plan to be outdoors for all recess barring any inclement weather.

**Lost & Found** is overflowing with jackets, hoodies, shoes and etc. Please stop by at your earliest to take a look.

**Extra-Curricular and Intramural Sports:** Thanks to Mr. Middleton and Mr. Rogers for coaching our Bantam Volleyball teams.

**Registration for 2020-2021:** Considering one of the Academy programs for high school, or Late French Immersion? Do you know of a little one ready to start Kindergarten in the fall? Registration will open on January 9, please see the attached flyer for more information.



## SCHOOL CLOSURES

If schools are closed due to snow, or any other weather-related problems, announcements will be made on local radio stations (WOLF 106.9 FM, WAVE 102.3 FM, and 91.7 COAST FM) by 7 a.m. on the day of the closure. Please do not call the radio station – tune in and listen for the announcements, which will be made on a regular basis.

In addition, the district will post the information on the district's website, Twitter, Facebook, and mobile app.

Please keep in mind, however, that there may be situations where this is not always possible, for example, power outages or technical problems. The most reliable method is to listen to the local radio stations .



## LIS Virtues

We have taken the opportunity to speak on virtues during our morning assemblies. Thus far we have covered Kindness, Respect, Compassion and Friendliness.

As a school, we work very hard on our monthly virtues and acknowledge one student from each division every Monday morning during assembly. LIS has so many students that exemplify these virtues on a daily basis that we decided to start Kindness Café.

Kindness Café will offer students the opportunity to be further acknowledge for all that they contribute to create a positive school environment. Every 2nd & 4th Friday anonymous staff members will select several students to indulge in treats, snacks, board games and other activities during their lunch period.



## PAC CORNER

Come Join Us for Our Annual Winter Play Performance by Students at LIS. We will also be having Holiday Basket Raffle and the 50/50 Draw – **Thursday December 19<sup>th</sup> at LIS**

We are looking for a few great helpers to fill these theme baskets to raffle off on the day of and to run the basket tables and 50/50 tickets. For each of our Baskets we are looking for new items if possible or very gently used or donate \$2 so the PAC can purchase items to fill the baskets. Please bring items or donations from now until December 14<sup>th</sup>. If you have a business and would like to donate please include a business card with the item or email us at [ladysmithintermediate-pac@hotmail.com](mailto:ladysmithintermediate-pac@hotmail.com) to arrange pick up.

**Kids Art** will be delivered to students on Dec 9th & 10th

**Purdy Chocolates** order pick-up on Dec 17th & 18th