

December 2023-2024 Newsletter

Aberarder Central School

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Principal's Message

With the winter nearly upon us, the days are getting colder. It is that time of the year when students will need warmer coats, snow pants, hats, mitts, gloves, and boots in preparation for outdoor recess and outdoor physical education classes.

Some of the curriculum highlights have students focusing on foundational reading skills, persuasive writing, and daily Number Talks. As well, we are focusing on Indigenous Education by embedding it in the curriculum. Additionally, students are learning about a variety of celebrations that take place in the winter months as part of the LKDSB EDIJ focus.

Holiday Activities

This year, the annual Holiday Show will be taking place on Friday, December 15th. The performance will be at 12:00 pm for parents/guardians, grandparents, and other guests. Everyone is welcome to attend.

We also have a Holiday Lunch for students, staff and bus drivers making a return this year thanks to the School Council. The lunch will be catered and will take place on Wednesday, December 20th. The meal will consist of turkey, stuffing, potatoes, gravy, corn, a bun, and ice cream for dessert. We are asking families to pay \$5.00 per student.

Additionally, there will be many other things happening at Aberarder during the month of December and more information will be shared soon!

School Council

The School Council will meet again on **Tuesday, December 5th at 5:30 pm** in the Learning Commons. All are welcome to attend.



Important Dates in December

Dec. 4-18 – Canned Food Drive

Dec. 6 – Pizza Day

Dec. 13 – Pizza Day

Dec. 15 – Holiday Show @ 12:00 pm

Dec. 15 – Holiday Sweater Spirit Day

Dec. 18 – NLSS Band Performing

Dec. 19 – Pizza Day (Note the

Change to this one pizza day)

Dec. 20 – Holiday Lunch

Dec. 20 – Holiday Hat Spirit Day

Dec. 22 – PJ Day Spirit Day

**Note: School Resumes on Monday,
January 8th.**

Canned Food Drive

This year we will be doing a food drive with the donations going to the Inn of the Good Shepherd which will start on **Monday, December 4th** and going until **Monday, December 18th**. Some of the items that the Inn has suggested are shampoo/conditioner, dish soap, body wash, peanut butter, jam, juice boxes, canned fruit, pasta, granola bars, kid's snacks, cookies, crackers, fruit & pudding cups, Instant oatmeal, cake mix, and deodorant. All donations are greatly appreciated!

Intermediate Volleyball

The volleyball season is going strong and continues for a few more weeks. This year our intermediate boys' and intermediate girls' volleyball teams have been practicing hard at recess times and playing even harder at the games against the other schools. Continued thanks to Mr. Tanner, our coach, for his time and dedication in coaching both teams!

Pizza for January

The pizza order for January will be open on School Cash Online on December 1 and go through to December 20th. This will be your opportunity to order pizza for the month of January. Also, please note that the pizza day during the last week in December will be on Tuesday, December 19th.

Outdoor Christmas Pots Fundraiser

The Outdoor Christmas Pots fundraiser was a huge success. Thanks to all the families who supported this fundraiser. The total profit raised was \$1050.00, which is outstanding!

School Bus Information

Aberarder is located in **Zone 1**. In order to determine if buses are running and schools are open visit www.schoolbusinfo.com, listen to the local radio stations or download the School Bus Status 4 App. Please keep in mind that in the event of fog, buses that are cancelled in the morning will run in the afternoon. In the event of buses being cancelled due to snow, buses **will not run at all**.

School Cash Online

Reminder about Popcorn

Students will have the opportunity to get popcorn on Friday afternoons for those who have purchased a popcorn card. The popcorn cards are available on School Cash Online and will be open throughout the year to purchase at any time. You can purchase a popcorn card for \$25.00 which gives you 10 bags of popcorn.

