

The Roxmore Rocks

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'Twas the Night Before Christmas, a Roxmore Christmas Presentation

Everybody in the Biggins family is sick and Christmas preparations haven't started. Santa saves the day by sending in his expert team of magical elves. The Grade 6 students lead the way as the actors and every student at Roxmore, from kindergarten to grade 5, sings a song in this year's Christmas musical. Come on out on **Thursday, December 14th**, to see "Twas the Night Before Christmas" and see how it all turns out. There is a **matinée performance at 1:00 p.m. at Roxmore, and an evening performance at Tagwi at 7:00 p.m.** The snow date for this event is Tuesday, December 19th.

What does your child need to wear?

JK and SK– Whatever wonderful outfit they'd like to wear Grade 1 and 1/2 – fancy Christmas duds or Christmas colours

Grades 2/3A and 2/3B – red or green on top and dark on the bottom

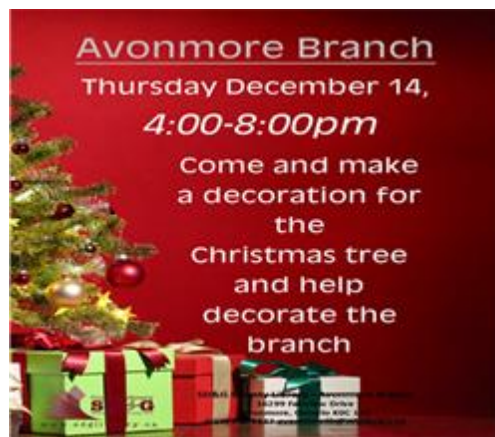
Grade 3/4 and 4 – green, red or white on top and dark on the bottom

Grade 5– something Christmas-y on top and dark on bottom

Grade 5/6 – A list will be sent home with students as everyone has a different role and therefore a different costume

Hot Lunches Cutlery

In an effort to reduce the amount of waste we produce with the hot lunch program, we were wondering if families would be willing to send their own spoons and forks when they've ordered the hot lunch for their children. We will be transitioning to biodegradable cutlery, and will provide the spoons or forks to students who have ordered, but didn't bring their own. Though moving to biodegradable is good, no garbage is best!



School Council

December is a busy month for School Council. Thank you to those who participated in the Christmas & Poinsettia Fundraiser. We look forward to spending that money on new jerseys for our sports teams. The other portion of the fundraiser money is going to be spent on some items for our schoolyard. Pick up your orders on December 4th throughout the day.

A Family Math & Pizza Night is planned for Wednesday, December 6th with the pizza being served at 5:15 p.m. and the math starting at 6:00 p.m. This is going to be a fun and interactive! We've hired Jump2Math to put on this workshop. We need volunteers for this event to help out at the game mats. Grade 7-12 students welcome.

The Turkey Lunch will be on December 20th this year. Students will be sitting down together in the gym for a Christmas meal. A sign-up sheet for the event is posted on the Perfect Potluck website www.perfectpotluck.com. The organizer name is Nolan and the Password is Roxmore.

You can follow School Council 'goings on' and get more information on all these events on our Facebook page. Search 'In the Loop Roxmore School Council'. We also have an email address that you can reach us at roxmoresc@hotmail.com

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday!

~Victoria Butzer

Growth Mindset

A person who is working with a Growth Mindset is able to approach difficult situations with an open mind, focusing on HOW to solve the puzzle instead of whether or not they CAN solve the puzzle. A Growth Mindset is key to developing skills, from playing an instrument or a sport, to improving learning, making art, learning to code, and an unlimited list of other skills that are often mislabeled as Talents.

Angel Tree

We have an angel here at the school. If you would like to pick an angel to buy for, please contact the office.

Toy Sale

The grades 2 and 3 classes are holding a used toy sale! We are collecting toys from Monday, December 12th to Thursday, December 15th and the sale will be on Friday, December 16th. Toys will be priced from \$0.25 to \$2.00 and all proceeds will be going to the Madagascar School Project. Please help encourage our children in learning to support this great cause.

Help Develop Your Child's Speech with the EOHU's Let's Talk! Video Series

The communication skills children develop in their early years have a major impact on their experiences throughout their entire lives. As a parent, you play an important role in helping to support and promote your child's speech and language skills, but may not know where to start.

That's where the Eastern Ontario Health Unit's (EOHU) *Let's Talk! Tips for Building Your Child's Speech and Language Skills* video series comes in. The series was produced to help parents strengthen their children's communication skills between birth and age five. The series of seven videos will help parents make sure their children's language development is on track and how they can help.

The videos cover some of the communication milestones children should be reaching during their first years of life. The series also provides parents with tips and strategies they can use to help their children as they develop their speech and language skills. The videos are available online at www.eohu.ca/talk and can be viewed on computers, tablets or smartphones. DVD copies are also available at the EOHU's offices.



The WE Day Crew

The grade 6 students who went to WE Day this year would like to challenge each class at Roxmore to raise enough money to buy a goat! If every student brings in a toonie, we will be able to buy at least 10 goats! They will be keeping a tally per class to see who meets this challenge! The WE Day crew will also be holding a bake sale every Monday in December (\$0.25 - \$1.00) and will sell Kernels Popcorn (\$2.00/bag) on the last day of school before Christmas break to raise money for the charities they are supporting this year. They are also planning to do a book drive in January, so if you're weeding out your bookshelves, send the books to us!

Opportunity

When Marthra Bai's husband fractured his leg, the family used their savings to pay for his treatment—plunging them into debt. With few economic opportunities in their community, it was difficult to find a stable income. To support her family, Marthra signed up for WE's Opportunity Pillar programming, and received a dairy goat. With her new goat, Marthra has a steady source of income and is able to keep her family healthy. To read more stories like Marthra's, visit WE.org/stories.

\$50 The goat that gives back

With a \$50 donation, you can provide a woman like Marthra with the resources she needs to generate a sustainable income and provide for her family, leading to a lifetime of change.

2x Matching

Matching offer ends December 31, 2017. www.eohu.ca WE Charity donations only.

Methods of Communicating School Vehicle Cancellations Due to Inclement Weather

Student Transportation of Eastern Ontario (STEO) would like to advise students and parent(s)/guardian(s) that there are three (3) methods in which you can check for school vehicle cancellations:

1. Announcements regarding the cancellation of school bus and special vehicle transportation will be broadcasted starting at 6:15 a.m. on local area radio stations.
2. Access our Website at www.steo.ca and click "View Bus Delays & Cancellations". School vehicle cancellations will be posted by 6:15 a.m. Scroll down to check the transportation status for your school.
3. Call 1-866-629-0629 to access a pre-recorded message.

- During inclement weather the message will be posted by 6:15 a.m.

- Please note that the message for this phone line is only updated on inclement weather days.

Please do not call the bus companies as the radio and website reflect the most accurate information.

If transportation is cancelled in the morning, afternoon transportation will **not** operate.

Thank you.

Student Transportation of Eastern Ontario

P.O. Box 1179, 104 Commerce Dr., Prescott, ON K0E 1T0

Telephone: 613-925-0022 or 1-855-925-0022 Fax: 613-925-0024 www.steo.ca



Another great way to find out about snow days is to sign up for My Family Room. Then the system will notify you first thing in the morning according to your selected preference.

Kids Movie Night
Friday December 8th at 6:30 pm

THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Bring your pillow, bring your blanket, and wear your PJ's!

Come to enjoy a movie at the Moose Creek Recreational Hall; 4 St. Polycarp St.

We will be viewing Tim Burton's "The Nightmare Before Christmas"

***This movie is rated PG (some material may not be suitable for children)