



GRAND ERIE THIS WEEK
Media Advisory
December 12 – 16, 2016

With 10 school days remaining until the Christmas Break, students and staff in our schools are full of holiday spirit and activity. Many initiatives relate to a tremendous sense of generosity from our school communities. For more information about any of these events or other festive topics, please contact Shawn McKillop, Manager of Communications and Community Relations, 519-756-6301 ext. 281147.

Inaugural Meeting at the Education Centre, 349 Erie Avenue, Brantford
Monday, December 12, 2016 | 7:15 p.m.

Contact: Shawn McKillop, Manager of Communications and Community Relations, 519-756-6301 ext. 281147

David Dean will address the Board of Trustees in his role as Chair of the Board for his second term.

- Read David Dean re-elected as Chair of Grand Erie: <http://bit.ly/2hm7E8K>

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Fill-A-Bus Food Drive at Oakland-Scotland Public School

Students and Staff are gathering non-perishable food items for the Fill-a-Bus food drive until December 12th

Contact: Heather Robinson, Principal, 519-446-2365

Fill-A-Bus Food Drive at Glen Morris Public School

Until December 13th, Glen Morris PS is collecting donations or non-perishable food items in support the Brantford Food Bank.

Contact: Latha Reuben, Principal, 519-740-2133

Food-Drive Challenge at North Park Collegiate

Homeroom classrooms at North Park Collegiate are competing to determine which can collect the most donations for the Brant Food Bank, with the top homeroom receiving a free breakfast. Donations are being collected until December 19th.

Contact: Phil Midgley, Principal, 519-759-2560

Guest Speakers at James Hillier Public School

Monday, December 12, 2016 | 1:40 p.m.

Sgt. Andy Fox will be speaking about rules and regulations in communities, and why and how they are upheld.

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 1:40 p.m.

Lisa Koekoek, Director of Parks and Recreation for Brant County, will be speaking on the importance of community resources for all ages, including planning, making public facilities accessible for all, communication and resource groups.

Contact: Jeannette Marry, Principal, 519-752-2296

Slapshot Santa Scores Again at Mt. Pleasant School

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 1:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m.

Mt. Pleasant School presents its annual Christmas concert with afternoon and evening performances scheduled.

Contact: Linda Symons, Principal, 519-484-2912

Christmas/Winter Social at Graham Bell-Victoria Public School

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 5 p.m.

Graham Bell-Victoria PS is celebrating its Christmas/Winter Social with activities including movies, craft centres, and a board game area.

Contact: John Poulimenos, Principal, 519-752-4723

4th Annual Pasta Dinner Night at Ryerson Heights Elementary School

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 5 p.m.

Ryerson Heights Elementary School presents its annual Pasta Dinner with tickets selling for \$10, available at the school's office.

Contact: Lisa Van Leeuwen, Principal, 519-752-8814

Major Ballachey Public School Hosts 9th Annual Turkey Dinner

Thursday, December 15, 2016 | 11 a.m.

Now a beloved tradition, Major Ballachey PS is hosting a full holiday meal, with all students, staff, and community partners are welcome to attend. Made possible through a donation from Brantford Police Services, this year's dinner is projected to feed 400 people.

Contact: Mark Fraser, Principal, 519-752-1643

Bellview Public School Hosts First Christmas Dinner

Thursday, December 15, 2016 | 4:30 p.m.

Bellview PS is hosting its first annual Christmas Turkey Dinner. The event will be held in the gymnasium, and is open to all Bellview families. A minimum donation of \$5 per family is requested, in support of the school's morning nutrition program. A pre-recorded showing of student performances will be shown three dinner seatings. Contact the school office for details.

Contact: Dennis Wright, Principal, 519-752-7414

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Food Drive at Caledonia Centennial Public School

Caledonian Centennial's annual food drive has begun, with donations accepted until December 16th. All foods collected will be donated to the local food bank.

Contact: Tom Fitzsimmons, Principal, 905-765-4860

Seasonal Celebration at Rainham Central School

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 6:30 p.m.

Rainham Central School's annual celebration is scheduled in the evening, with an additional celebration during the day to accommodate the many who wish to participate. Attendees are encouraged to donate food and toys to benefit the Jarvis Caring Cupboard program.

Contact: Mike DeBruyn, Principal, 905-779-3404

Christmas Concert at Anna Melick Memorial School

Thursday, December 15, 2016 | 7 p.m.

Anna Melick Memorial School is presenting a Christmas concert with afternoon and evening performances scheduled. Contact the office for further details.

Contact: Heather Gross, Principal, 905-774-3766

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Valley Heights Secondary School Food Drive

Valley Heights SS is accepting donations from December 9th until December 16th. All donations will support families within the school community.

Contact: Sue Noort, Principal, 519-586-3522

Food Drive at Elgin Ave. Public School

Elgin Ave. PS is running a food drive from December 5th to 16th with all donations going to the Caring Cupboard. Profits from the school's popcorn sales in December are also being donated to the Caring Cupboard.

Contact: Samantha Nicholson, Principal, 519-426-4628

Waterford Food Cupboard Drive at Boston Public School

For the month of December, Boston PS is collecting items and toiletries for the Waterford Food Cupboard.

Contact: Cam MacDonald, Principal, 519-443-5003

Caring Cupboard Donations at Waterford Public School

Through the month of December, Waterford PS is donating canned goods, non-perishable foods and hygiene products in support of the Waterford Caring Cupboard.

Contact: Michelle Black, Principal, 519-443-8942

Port Rowan Public School Holiday Performance at Delhi District Secondary School

Tuesday, December 13, 2016 | 7 p.m.

For details, contact Port Rowan PS's office.

Contact: Christine Stewart, Principal, 519-586-3541

Christmas Tree Light-up and Carolling at Delhi Public School

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 6 p.m.

To celebrate the season, Delhi PS will be lighting up a Christmas tree on its property, with carols led by each class. Families are welcome to join this event, and keep warm as they sing with hot chocolate.

Contact: Paula Rasokas, Principal, 519-582-1890

Open House and Stop-and-Shop at Waterford Public School

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 6 p.m.

The classrooms and gym will be set up for holiday crafts, activities and community vendors for shopping.

Contact: Michelle Black, Principal, 519-443-8942

Christmas Concert at Waterford District High School

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 7:30 p.m.

This full band concert and show will feature many talented performers at Waterford District High School.

Contact: Rob Malcolm, Principal, 519-443-8657

Boston Public School's Christmas Musical at Waterford District High School

Thursday, December 15, 2016 | 6:30 p.m.

Boston PS presents "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer" as its annual production.

Contact: Cam MacDonald, Principal, 519-443-5003

Annual Turkey Dinner at Bloomsburg Public School

Friday, December 16, 2016 | 12 p.m.

Parent Council is organizing and subsidizing a catered turkey dinner. Students, staff, volunteers, bus drivers, GEDSB senior admin team are invited to attend, along with trustees of the board.

Contact: David Van Laecke, Principal, 519-426-0942