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# T.D. Michel November Newsletter

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Nov. 23rd—Dec 11th:  
**Big River Christmas Organization accepting donations for families.**
- Dec. 6th: **Children's Haven Christmas Classic at Big River Arena @ 5:00**
- Dec. 7th: **Toy Bingo at BRPHS. Doors open at 6:00**
- Dec. 11th: **Last day to RSVP for TDMPS Christmas Fest Meal**
- Dec. 18th: **Christmas Fest at TDMPS**
- Dec. 21st—Jan. 1st: **Christmas Holidays**



## Principal's Message

Rosy cheeks, cold noses, and soggy mitts....winter is well on its way! This season also brings excitement both inside and outside of the classroom as teachers and students prepare for report cards, Christmas, and the up and coming school break.

The TDMPS staff is busy preparing for the 2015 Christmas Fest and Family Feast. Family members are invited to join us for the family dinner and Christmas festivities. Please see the calendar for important dates and events. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Aside from our newsletter and calendar, our TD Michel Public School Facebook group is another great way to be informed of reminders, up and coming events, as well as student celebrations. Please join and extend the invitation to family members.

There is no better way to warm up from being outside then settling down with a hot chocolate, a cuddle on the couch, and a book in hand. Children love to hear Christmas classics such as "The Night Before Christmas", "The Nutcracker Prince", and "How the Grinch Stole Christmas". Make it part of your holiday tradition.

If you have any concerns or comments, please feel free to contact me at the school.

Kari Korczak

## ChristmasFest 2015

**TD Michel will be hosting our second annual ChristmasFest on Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. All TD Michel families are invited to attend. Lunch will be from 12:00 – 1:30 and the students will spend the rest of the afternoon attending the activities they have chosen. Notes will be coming home soon with more information, choice of activities, and lunch RSVPs. If you plan on attending lunch please remember to RSVP by December 11<sup>th</sup> to ensure that we will have enough food.**

## Gotcha

### Winners!

Kind words, lending a helping hand, or being a good friend are only a few things that our students are "caught" doing every day. Although we are not able to see every kind action, we applaud and appreciate all that our little ones do.

Gotcha winners for this month are:

- Jaylene Morin
- Destiny Forster
- Erica Kennedy
- Dominic McLean

# GOTCHA!

You have been CAUGHT  
doing a Good Deed!

## Toy Bingo

When: Monday, December 7th

Doors open at 6:00

Bingo starts at 7:00

Where: Big River Public High School

Toy Bingo is being organized by the SCC (School-Community Council).

Prizes this year include: iPad mini, e-reader, and theme baskets!

Hope to see everyone there!

## Remembrance Day Contest Winners

### Junior Literacy

1st - Sheldon Chadwick

2nd - Sumer Hodgson

3rd - Rylin Gear

### Junior Black & White

1st - Chayna Arcand

2nd - Cade Friesen

3rd - Ariken Wilson

### Primary Black & White

1st - Thomas Zacharias

2nd - Sofia Buckingham

3rd - Lily Arcand

### Junior Colour

1st - Cameron Dowling

2nd - Emry Price

3rd - Sheldon Chadwick

### Primary Colour

1st - Dali Cook-Snyder

2nd - Gracie Eldridge

3rd - Garrett Price



## Mom's Pantry Fundraiser

Our Mom's Pantry fundraiser was a great success. With your help, we raised \$2393.81. This money will be used for student activities and/or class trips. Thank your for all your support with this fundraiser.

Lori Hrynkiw and Bonnie Lueken

## SRC NEWS

The SRC would like to thank everyone that helped to make our Halloween dance such a huge success. It was amazing to see so many students and their families in attendance! The dancing never stopped, the costumes were great, and the haunted



house was a scream! Lastly we would like to thank the Big River High School for the use of their popcorn machine and supplies as well as the students and parents that stayed after the dance to help clean up. We look forward to hosting future events!

## Big River Christmas Organization

At TDM we are once again helping the Big River Christmas Organization to bring Christmas cheer to families in our community. We are collecting non-perishable food items and gifts for children and adults.

We will be collecting items until December 11th.

Thank you to your family for helping other less fortunate families in our community!

## Cool Kids Care

The grade four class loved the Cool Kids Care Program. They would love to see it again. We have a big problem of bullying in the world. We need to learn to care for each other. We need to fill each others buckets.

The magic show was awesome! Emily was involved in one act. She was extremely excited. It was a good time for all of the students.

Grade 4

Peyton & Kiersten

## Grade Two Pen Pals

As part of our English program this year we will be exchanging letters with the grade two class in Gull Lake, Saskatchewan. Their teacher, Mrs. Judge, and I are friends and we thought it would be fun for our classes to be friends. The students all wrote letters introducing themselves to their pen pals and they were sent out in November and we are anxiously awaiting replies from Gull Lake! Students will be paired up by Mrs. Judge and I and we hope to continue exchanging letters for the rest of the school year.



## The Dream Catcher Program

### **What is it?**

The DC program is a project put into place by SRPSD to help support the achievement of division and school goals.

TD Michel's School Goal:

By June 2016, 100% of TD Michel students will be reading grade level texts with good understanding OR achieving their individual reading goal (for struggling readers).

### **Who is involved?**

Leadership Team: Coach- Miss Banks and Administrator- Mrs. Korczak

Responsibilities:

Support staff in meeting goals by offering resources, problem solving, etc.

Create and track data for staff and students.

Sticky Team: Miss. Clowes and Mrs. Pfunder

Responsibilities:

Engage staff, community, and students in school goal and celebrate achievements.

TD Michel Staff, Students, and Community Members

Responsibilities:

Teach, support, and encourage each other in reading!

### **What will it look like?**

In an effort to support our school goal, TD Michel will once again be implementing Flexible Guided Reading Groups. Every other day, students will be given focused reading instruction. More importantly, students will be put into groups based on their ability, allowing teachers to focus on specific reading strategies and instruction to increase student engagement and success!

# Healthy Lunch Ideas!



## Ham & Cheese Quesadillas

Spread mustard on a whole wheat tortilla, then top with slices of cheese and ham. Add a layer of baby spinach leaves, then fold to enclose and cook on a Panini press or in a hot skillet until the tortilla is golden and the cheese melts. Let cool slightly, then cut into wedges before packing.

## Turkey & Cheese Pita Pockets

Spread a creamy cheese, such as Boursin, inside a whole wheat pita, then fill with roast turkey slices, baby spinach leaves and cucumber slices.



## BLTA Wraps

Mash an avocado with lemon juice, then spread on a whole wheat wrap. Top with crumbled bacon, chopped tomatoes, and thinly sliced romaine lettuce. Roll up and wrap in parchment or wax paper to secure.

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS WORD SEARCH



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See how many of these words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

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| 1. Happy     | 5. Family      | 9. Shopping     | 13. Santa  |
| 2. Holidays  | 6. Friends     | 10. Candy canes | 14. Songs  |
| 3. Christmas | 7. Presents    | 11. Cookies     | 15. Movies |
| 4. Vacation  | 8. Decorations | 12. Milk        | 16. Fun    |



# December 2015



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| Sun                                                                                                  | Mon                                                  | Tue          | Wed          | Thu                            | Fri                                                           | Sat                                                                       |
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| *Collecting non perishable food items or gifts until December 11th for Big River Christmas Organiza- |                                                      | 1 Day 3—K    | 2 Day 4      | 3 Day 5—K                      | 4 Day 6                                                       | 5                                                                         |
| 6 Children's Haven Christmas Classic 5:00 @ Big River Arena                                          | 7 Day 1—K<br>Toy Bingo @ BRPHS<br>Doors open at 6:00 | 8 Day 2      | 9 Day 3—K    | 10 Day 4                       | 11 Day 5—K<br>Last day to RSVP for Family Christmas Fest Meal | 12                                                                        |
| 13                                                                                                   | 14 Day 6                                             | 15 Day 1—K   | 16 Day 2     | 17 Day 3—K                     | 18 Day 4<br>Christmas Fest                                    | 19                                                                        |
| 20                                                                                                   | 21 No School                                         | 22 No School | 23 No School | 24 Christmas Eve<br>No School  | 25 Christmas Day<br>No School                                 | 26<br>Boxing Day<br>No School                                             |
| 27                                                                                                   | 28 No School                                         | 29 No School | 30 No School | 31 New Year's Eve<br>No School | Classes resume on January 4th, Day 5                          | **RSVP for Family Christmas Fest Meal by phoning the school at 469-2128** |