

## **DECEMBER BULLETIN – 2007-2008**

SCHOOL FEES	Just a little reminder – take advantage of a tax break. By paying this year's school fees <b>before December 31, 2008</b> , you will receive a T4 Slip for your 2008 income tax return. Don't miss this last opportunity!
MILK	Our milk for 2008 ends on December 12 to begin again on January 12. <b>Special thanks to the Grade 6 students</b> who generously give of their time to distribute the milk every morning. They are doing a super job!
ENERGY DRINKS	Energy drinks such as «Red Bull» contain up to 8 teaspoon of sugar, and enough caffeine to equal 3 cups of coffee! Energy drinks have been linked to nausea, abnormal heart rhythms and emergency room visits. Children should never have access to these drinks. We will inform families if such drinks are found in students' lunch boxes.
CAREER DAY VISITS	Students have been treated to visits from two parents with very interesting careers: In Ms. Sophie's class, Mme Kathleen Fortier (Maggie & Charlie Guilbault's mother) gave a hair cutting demonstration.
	In Ms. Tara's class, Mr. Dany Yacyno (Danya Yacyno's father) spoke about his life in the military air force. Mr. Yacyno came to class in his fatigues!
STAR-OF-THE-MONTH	We would like to take this opportunity to offer our sincere
ASSEMBLY	apologies for the misunderstanding concerning the start time
DECEMBER 12 at	that occurred at the November assembly. Because we were
3:00 P.M. NOVEMBER THEME:	also distributing End-of-Term certificates, we felt an earlier start time would be wiser. Some parents were informed;
RESPECT	others were not. Further to November's experience, we
	have concluded that our afternoon assemblies will always begin at 3:00 p.m. Once again, we are sorry for any inconvenience this error may have caused our JES community.
	ASSEMBLY WILL BE AT 3:00 P.M. ON DECEMBER 12.

MAKING PUPPETS WITH A PROFESSIONAL PUPPETEER!	December 1, 2 & 3, our students will have the opportunity to discover the world of puppets with Jacques Boutin, a puppeteer who worked with Muppets creator, Jim Henson. Each class will have a 75-minutes workshop and learn about the art of puppetry!
DECEMBER 5 & 8 PED DAYS	There will be no school on <b>Friday</b> , <b>December 5</b> , 2008. Because <b>Monday</b> , <b>December 8</b> is Election Day, there will also be no classes.
CHRISTMAS BASKETS	We are collecting food items such as canned goods and non- perishable food items for Christmas baskets. We would appreciate your donations by <b>Friday</b> , <b>December 12</b> , <b>2008</b> . Thank you for helping our JES families. All items can be dropped off under our Christmas tree in the front hall.
SCHOOL CLOSURES	Snow storms are around the corner. Please listen to the radio for school closings, and be a responsible link in your phone chain. We need everyone's collaboration to communicate important messages.
COOKIE DOUGH DELIVERY DECEMBER 10	We are expecting the Cookie Dough delivery on Wednesday, December 10. We are expecting 100 cases (6 buckets per case). Please help us by picking up your order on December 10. Special thanks to our amazing and generous PPO members who have overseen this fundraiser.
HOLIDAY CARDS	Holiday cards can be purchased throughout the month of December. This is a fundraiser for our children's activities: only \$5 for 10 beautifully illustrated cards. Special thanks to our fabulous PPO members who have been taking care of this fundraiser.
PYJAMA DAY DECEMBER 10	Everyone is invited to come to school in their Pj's on Wednesday, December 10. We'll have fun with our silly outfits!
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DECEMBER 11	Our annual Christmas Bazaar will be held on <b>Thursday</b> , <b>December 11</b> , <b>2008</b> in the gym from 9:15 a.m 3:45 p.m.
	We have been receiving boxes filled with wonderful gifts. We continue to be in need of more items – drop off area is in the Principal's office. Thank you for continuing to support our ever popular
	bazaar.

RAFFLE IN SUPPORT OF THE GRADUATING CLASS ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 12	The Grade 6 graduation raffle fundraiser is in the works. You should have received your raffle tickets this week The draw will take place on December 12 <sup>th</sup> . Please make sure to send in your ticket stubs by then to be eligible to win one of the two fantastic prizes. (Please make sure to return all unsold tickets to school!) On behalf of the Grade 6 students and staff , we want thank Mr. Stephan Beauchesne for having donated tickets to see the Montreal Canadians. Your generosity is greatly
	appreciated.
WE NOW HAVE A SOUND SYSTEM!!	Very special thanks to Mr. Stéphane Beaufils (Xavier's father) for taking our very tired sound system and repairing it with new parts and wiring. And an added bonus – we have multiple microphones.
	This year, our concert will be heard by everyone in the gym!!
HOLIDAY CONCERT	Let the show begin!
DECEMBER 19	The concert begins at 10:00 a.m. in the gym. Parents and families are welcomed to share in our holiday cheer, and should you wish to take your child home after the presentation, enjoy an early start to your vacation! We look forward to the students' sparkling presentations!
	The staff of JES wishes you and your families a peaceful and joyous holiday season. School ends December 19 and students are expected back Monday, January 5, 2009. May 2009 bring each and every one of our JES community members health and prosperity. Happy Holidays!

## DECEMBER'S CALENDAR ON REVERSE SIDE