

Ecole Inman Newsletter



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It's a Matter of "*Principal*"

Dear Inman Families,

In an era of constant distractions in the form of cell phones, iPads, and televisions for even young children, it is hardly surprising to discover that many students have not learned to self-regulate their academic studying very well. I remember a story when I was a teacher having a student who was infatuated with MTV. An important math test was two weeks away, and I was told by her parents that she had begun to study while listening to popular music "to relax her." The student had not set any study goals for herself-instead she simply tells herself to do as well as she can on the test. She used no specific learning strategies for condensing and memorizing important material and did not plan out her study time, so she ended up cramming for a few hours before the test. She had only vague self-evaluative skills and could not gauge her academic preparation accurately. In conversation with her, she explained her learning difficulties to an inherent lack of mathematical ability and was very defensive about her poor study methods. However, she did not ask for help from others because she was afraid of "looking stupid." She found studying to be anxiety-provoking, had little self-confidence in achieving success, and saw little intrinsic value in acquiring mathematical skills. Does this type of story sound overly familiar? Over the year's teachers have sought to understand students like the one I taught. Through research, educators know that self-regulated learning such as goal setting, strategy use, and self-evaluation, can be learned from instruction and modeled by parents, and teachers. I have been so impressed with our teachers as many have found ways to teach these important skills through their lessons. Students are constantly being asked to think about their thinking then explain their thinking. In a few weeks you will see student report cards and these reports will reflect those teaching practices and your child's progress in understanding those processes. Look for language that share with you the type of core curriculum skills that your child has mastered and areas that they continue to work on. Our goal in the school is to teach self-regulation learning so students can focus on how they activate, alter, and sustain specific learning practices in social as well as solitary contexts. In an era when these essential qualities for lifelong learning are absent in many students, teaching self-regulated learning processes in school is especially relevant.

Sincerely,
 Kelly Chow
 Principal

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Upcoming Important Dates

December 5	PAC: Purdy Chocolate Distribution day
December 6	School Wide Run PAC: Hot Lunch White Spot
December 9	Pancake Breakfast
December 13	PAC Hot Lunch: Pizza
December 16-19	Scholastic Book Fair
December 16	Grade 7 Band Concert 6:30pm at Inman
December 17	Primary & Intermediate Choir Assembly 2pm Primary & Intermediate Concert 6:30pm
December 18	PAC After School Movie 3:15pm
December 20	Last Day of Classes before Winter Break Term 1 Reports home
December 23 - January 3, 2020	Winter Break—School Closed
January 6, 2020	School Re-opens



Spirit of Christmas at Inman



Dear Inman Families,

As we move into our winter season and the time where many take the opportunity to give back, we wanted to let you know about three initiatives that our school is undertaking that give you and your child an opportunity to join in:

Leadership Gift Bags

Leadership students will be putting together necessity gift bags to be distributed by the Burnaby Homeless Task Force on Dec. 19th at the Outreach Resource Centre. We are collecting items like:

- toothpaste, toothbrushes, travel size soap, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, lotion, combs, dental floss, deodorant, cough drops, lip balm for dry lips, Band-Aids, gloves, scarves, toques, hand warmer packets, razors, If you have any items that are taking up space in your home or know of anyone who would like to donate items to this cause, please bring them to Mrs. Iverson's room by Dec. 13th or contact Mrs. Iverson at Karolyn.Iverson@burnabyschools.ca

Angel Project

The Angel Project will be starting on December 2nd – December 13th. This initiative supports the **Burnaby Christmas Bureau's Angel Project**. If you would like to participate, please select a card from the Christmas tree or Angel Wall in front of the office and purchase a new gift, appropriate for the age of the child on your card. **Attach the card with your new unwrapped gift and drop off in the school office by 9 am on December 13.** There are a limited number of cards available, so please come early. All toys and gifts will be delivered to the Bureau's toy room after school on Friday December 13. If you have any questions please email Ms. Sutton at Lara.Sutton@burnabyschools.ca

Grocery Gift Card Donations for Inman Families

'Tis the season of giving! Inman students, families and staff are joining together to make the holidays brighter for everyone in our Inman school community.

As we have already had a food drive to support the Food bank, this season, families are invited to make a financial **donation using School Cash Online**. Please make your donation by going to the "Donations" tab on the School Cash Online link on the Inman home page.

Select "Items" from the Top Tab and follow these steps:

- Select "Make a Donation"
- Under "Gift Information", choose the amount you wish to donate
- Select "Fund Destination" as **Inman**
- In Message Box: please write a message, i.e.: Grocery gift card donation for Inman families
- Continue to follow the rest of the prompts to complete your donation

Donations over \$20 will receive an automatic tax receipt. All funds donated will be converted to **gift cards** for local grocery stores and distributed to **Inman families** in need of support.

Over the next few weeks, our gift of giving will be shining in our school. We are grateful to be part of such a caring community that supports those in need.

Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.



Did you know that nearly 200,000 pounds of food is collected through food drives? We are so amazed with our school community and your generosity as we give back to those in need. Inman Leadership students would like to thank the community for all their donations to our We Scare Hunger boxes. We were able to collect 24 boxes with about 500 items for the Burnaby location of the Greater Vancouver Food Bank.



Leadership appreciates all the support they received on Nov. 29th Bake Sale. All monies raised will go to support Education in Ecuador, our We Program Global Initiative.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

We will have an enjoyable pancake breakfast on December 9th. Thank you in advance to all the volunteers who help make the annual Christmas pancake breakfast such a success!



Thank you to our parents who helped organize, set up and help at this event.

A special thank you to the Burnaby Firefighters for ensuring this event is a success!

Our heartfelt thanks to Santa for visiting our school during such a busy time of year!



Special Thank you to the Burnaby Firefighters (Local 323)

The Burnaby Firefighters volunteered their time to come and cook pancakes at our Annual Pancake Christmas Breakfast. They also supply nutritious snacks to our kids throughout the year



Music Room Updates



Is It A Dog House?

Come hear Inman's Primary and Intermediate Choirs answer this question on December 17th at 6:30pm in our school gym.

Doors open at 6:00pm. By donation!

For more information or to volunteer to help email Mrs. Nordstrand at janet.nordstrand@burnabyschools.ca

Burnaby District Performing Ensembles

Do you know that Burnaby has district ensembles for Primary Choir, Intermediate Choir, String Orchestra and Handbells? Come hear the choirs and handbells perform together on December 9th at 6:30pm at Michael J. Fox Theatre. We are proud of the Inman students who will be part of this special night! Tickets are \$5 and are available in advance from Mrs. Nordstrand or at the door.

Gloria! A celebration of the season!

Presented by Sound Wave Handbell Choir - Mrs. Nordstrand's district ensemble.

Come join students from seven Burnaby schools as they present an evening of Christmas favourites on December 10 at 7:00pm at Gordon Presbyterian Church. By donation.

Join us after for cider and goodies as we begin celebrating Sound Wave's 20th Anniversary, all conducted by Mrs. Nordstrand.

For more information on all these events please check out Mrs. Nordstrand's blogs:

<http://blogs.sd41.bc.ca/district-soundwave/>

<http://sd41blogs.ca/nordstrandj>

[Ecole Inman Music | To be taught in the arts, softens the manners and makes us gentle." – Ovid](#)

Inman has a brand new Primary Choir! Every Grade 1, 2 and 3 student is welcome to come to the Music room on Tuesday's at lunch. Together with Mme Cosco, Mme Ubial and Mrs. Nordstrand we are preparing for a Christmas concert on December 17 at 6:30pm.



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS



SANTA'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2019

The annual Santa's Pancake Breakfast is back! Join us for a fun-filled morning of jolly Santa and delicious pancakes.

We need help with the following:

- Event set up (Friday, December 6 & Monday, December 9)
- Event helpers (cutting/serving pancakes, clean up, etc)



Sign up at: bit.ly/inman2019santa
Questions? Email inmanpac@gmail.com



Volunteer at Inman's Scholastic Book Fair!

Monday, December 16 to Thursday, December 19

Volunteer at our Book Fair — an exciting celebration of reading with hundreds of fun, engaging, and affordable books for kids to discover.

Join our volunteer team to:

- Bring creative flair to signs and decorations (flexible times)
- Secure community sponsorships (flexible times)
- Help serve food and refreshments
- Organize and merchandise displays
- Offer a helping hand – set up or pack up
- Help shoppers of all ages find their perfect book (lunch, afternoon and evening shifts available)

We are grateful for your support of our children's school!

Sign up to lend a hand! <http://bit.ly/inman2019bookfair>

Come see what's NEW at the Scholastic Book Fair!



Book Fair dates and times:

Monday, Dec 16	Tuesday, Dec 17	Wednesday, Dec 18	Thursday, Dec 19
Class previews 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	9:00 am – 9:30 am (Parents Only)	9:00 am – 9:30 am (Parents Only)	9:00 am – 9:30 am (Parents Only)
	12:15 pm – 12:50 pm	12:15 pm – 12:50 pm	12:15 pm – 12:50 pm
Book Fair Starts 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm <i>GYM</i> <i>Inman Community Choir</i> <i>@ 3:05 pm</i> <i>Band Winter Concert</i> <i>@ 6:30 pm</i>	3:00 pm – 8:30 pm <i>GYM</i> <i>Primary Choir @ 6:30 pm</i>	3:00 pm – 5:00 pm <i>GYM</i> <i>"Toy Story 4" @ 3:15 pm</i>	3:00 pm – 6:00 pm Last opportunity to shop for gifts!

All purchases benefit our school!

Volunteers needed! 74 volunteer opportunities available (school hours, after school and evenings)

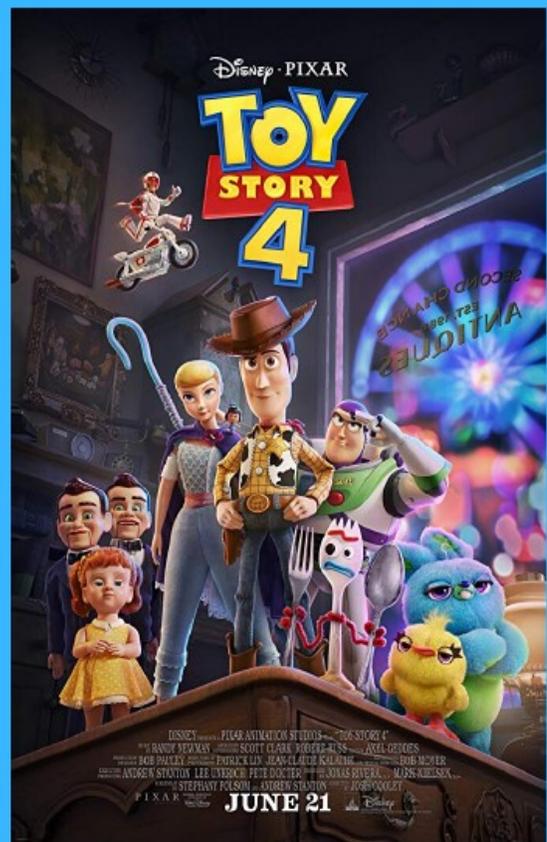
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After School Movie

Wednesday, December 18 • 3:15pm
Concession snacks available for cash sale

Door Prize: Toy Story 4 DVD*

- Must be present to win



Thank you Santa's Breakfast sponsors!



Inman PAC would like to thank the Burnaby Firefighters for cheerfully serving pancakes to our students, staff and volunteers for this year's Santa's Pancake Breakfast. We also want to thank the following sponsors for their financial support.

Platinum Sponsor



4469 Kingsway Street, Burnaby (Willingdon)

Gold Sponsor



3410 Kingsway Street, Vancouver (Joyce-Collingwood)





Eco Hero Winter Camps

Discover how to help SAVE our environment while having FUN!

Location: Burnaby Lake
Time: 9 am – 3 pm **Ages: 9-12**
Cost: \$40/day

Register at info@streamofdreams.org



<i>Dates</i>	<i>Theme</i>	<i>Take Home Craft</i>
<i>December 23</i>	<i>Something Fishy</i>	<i>Dreamfish, Storm drain cleaner</i>
<i>December 26</i>	<i>Winter Wildlife</i>	<i>Track casts, suet feeder</i>
<i>December 27</i>	<i>Birds of a Feather</i>	<i>Bird house</i>
<i>December 30</i>	<i>Plant Paradise</i>	<i>Native winter plant habitat</i>
<i>December 31</i>	<i>Bugs and Slugs</i>	<i>Bug hotel, worm compost</i>

2020 INTRO TO LACROSSE!

PRESENTED BY BURNABY MINOR LACROSSE

Boys and Girls born anytime during 2010-2015 are invited to learn the basics of Lacrosse in 4 sessions for \$50. Pick Friday night or Saturday morning/afternoon sessions held at Edmonds Community School 7651 18th Ave, Burnaby.

No Equipment needed

Lacrosse stick and soft ball provided

- Friday Sessions Jan 24/Jan 31/Feb 7/Feb 21
- Saturday Sessions Jan 25/Feb 1/Feb 8/Feb 22
- Visit www.burnabylacrosse.com after December 1, 2019 for more information, session availability, and registration link.