



# Friday, December 2nd

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*"Grade Six to Eight students learned to CODE today with markers and ozobots as part of [HACT](#). They will be participating in The [Hour of Code](#) over the lunch hour next Friday."*

## December Holiday Concerts at Banded Peak

Once again we will be presenting two holiday concerts. The first show will be on Wednesday, December 7th and will be presented by our students in Kindergarten to Grade Four. There will be one show from 1:30 to 2:30 and an evening presentation from 6:30 to 7:30. Both shows will take place in the school gymnasium. Each class will be featured individually, and will be performing a variety of songs on many different instruments. Our theme will be **Bows and Bowties** – the students are excited to wear their semi-formal clothes!

The second show will be on Wednesday, December 14th and will be presented by students in grades 5 through eight. There will be one show from 1:30 to 2:30 and an evening show from 6:30 to 7:30. You will hear the Junior Band, Intermediate Band, the Marching Band, and the Concert Band perform, as well you will be treated to a short drama performance, and displays by our

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## The Spirit of Christmas

On Saturday, December 3rd at 9:00 Banded Peak students are invited to join a few staff members outside of the Cinnamon Spoon in Bragg Creek to decorate the trees. We will bring student made decorations and some song books for those who attend. We look forward to seeing you and your family.



### "Sock it to 'em" – student message

On Monday December 19th the leadership kids will be going down to the **Mustard Seed** <http://theseed.ca/> to donate goods. These people don't have homes and they are living in a homeless shelter, so we need donations from the school. The items that we need are: Warm socks, Travel size shampoo, Good razors, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Nail care items, Candy/Treats, \$10 dollar gift cards coffee/movie/food, Lip balm, Travel size tissues, Transit tickets, Hair brush/comb, and ear plugs. Our deadline is Friday the 16th so if we could have the donations by then that would be great. Please put your donations in your house color boxes in the student gathering area.

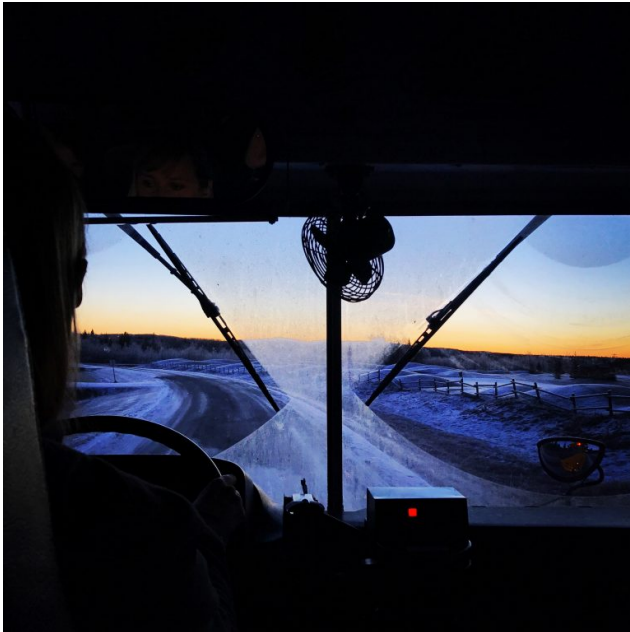
## The Great Wreath Challenge – Mrs. Fischer

First of all, thank you to everyone for participating in the Wreath Selling Challenge. The winners of the draw were announced this morning and we are pleased to award Owen K. and Tessa S. a \$100 gift card to one of the many Calgary Malls. The funds raised will go toward music and equipment for the music department.

## School Wellness Action Committee (SWAT) – Student Message

Recently a group of staff members met with our Comprehensive School Health Coordinator for Rockyview Schools to create a Healthy School Action Plan. A healthy school community is one that supports the wellness of all its members and continuously strengthens its capacity as a healthy setting for living, learning, and working. The process for building healthy school communities uses the four pillars of Comprehensive School Health; *intellectual, spiritual, social/emotional, and physical*. Part of this plan involved selecting a Student Wellness Action Team with students from grades 5-8. This team will be involved in planning, carrying out and celebrating school wellness initiatives. Their goal for this year is to promote healthy relationships and a sense of belonging and connectedness using a whole school approach. The team recently attended a Healthy Active School Symposium in Calgary and came back with lots of excitement and enthusiasm! Here is a report on their day:

*" Recently, our School's Student Wellness Action Team (also known as SWAT) went to Healthy Active School Symposium (HASS). At which we learned about mental and physical health to enhance student wellness. One of our goals for this year is to initiate "wellness Wednesdays". Wellness Wednesday's will include grade level mental health activities including scavenger hunts, mannequin challenges, healthy snack challenges, and friendship origami. We would also like to create a whole school "cultural day" next year, a possible milk program, and a fundraiser. One guest that we met at HASS was the man who initiated Pink Shirt Day. He talked to us about how one crazy idea turned into an internationally celebrated event. To sum it up, we learned a lot, met many inspiring people, and thought of a lot of great ideas to make Banded Peak, the best that it can be. - **Quinn, Haley, Kinley***



*Beautiful sunrise over Wintergreen in Bragg Creek from Route 112. Thanks to the students for the Christmas Carol serenade and to our bus drivers who work so hard to ensure the safety of our kids.*

### **Ride-a-long Number**

Some families have experienced problems contacting the Ride-a-long

service with Southland Transportation who can be reached at [ridealong@southland.ca](mailto:ridealong@southland.ca). If you would like, you are welcome to **cc'** [bandedpeak@rockyview.ab.ca](mailto:bandedpeak@rockyview.ab.ca) in your email as well to reduce any confusion at the end of the school day.

### **School Council Meeting/Playground Committee**

Our next school council meeting will be held at 6:30 on Wednesday, January 25th in our Student Gathering Area. Preceding our upcoming School Council Meeting we will be hosting a Playground Committee Meeting which will begin at 5:45 to discuss potential changes to our existing structures. Any community members interested in attending are invited to meet in the Student Gathering at that time. Remaining school council meetings will take place on January 25th, March 29th, April 26th, and May 24th (Annual General Meeting)

### **Recognition Assembly**

On Friday, December 9th Banded Peak School will be hosting an assembly in

our gym to honor the hard work and consistent effort of our grade five to eight students. During the assembly we will recognize students for a variety of accomplishments including personal excellence, academic achievement, and participation in sport and/or clubs. We would like to invite you to join us as we recognize the outstanding achievements of your children and our students.

- **Personal Excellence Award:** is provided to all grade five through eight students who demonstrate their absolute personal best throughout the school on a consistent basis. This may include academics, leadership, citizenship, fine arts, sports or friendship. This award is tailored to recognize all students who aspire to actualize our school motto: "be the best that they can be".
- **Academic Honors:** is provided to all grade seven and eight students who achieve an average between 80% and 89.9% in their four CORE subject areas (Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science) with all subject areas equally represented.
- **Academic Honors with Distinction:** is provided to all grade seven and eight students who achieve an average between 90% and 100% in their four CORE subject areas (Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science) with all subject areas equally represented.

We invite you to attend on December 9th from 8:45 to 9:30; doors will open to the gym at 8:15 for parents who arrive early. Parents of students in grades 5 through 8 receiving an award will be notified in writing. This assembly will only be for students in grades 5 through 8. Should you have any questions or feedback regarding the assembly we invite you to contact the school at 403.949.2292 or through email at [spols@rockyview.ab.ca](mailto:spols@rockyview.ab.ca)

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