

PAC Meeting @ 5:30 pm.....	Tuesday, December 1
Open Library Event @ 6:30-8 pm.....	Wednesday, December 2
Winter Concert @ 7 pm .....	Thursday, December 17
Sandon Day for Secondary Students .....	Friday, December 18
Winter Vacation Period .....	Dec. 21-January 1, 2010
Schools reopen after Winter Vacation .....	Monday, January 4, 2010
Non-Instructional Day .....	Friday, January 15
Regional Professional Development Day.....	Friday, February 19
Spring Vacation Period .....	March 8-12, 2010
Schools reopen after Spring Vacation .....	Monday, March 15
Good Friday .....	Friday, April 2
Easter Monday .....	Monday, April 5
Non Instructional Day .....	Friday, May 7
Victoria Day .....	Monday, May 24
Graduation Banquet .....	Friday, June 25th
Graduation Ceremonies .....	Saturday, June 26th
Administration Day/Schools Close .....	Wednesday, June 30, 2010



**Student Council Christmas Events**

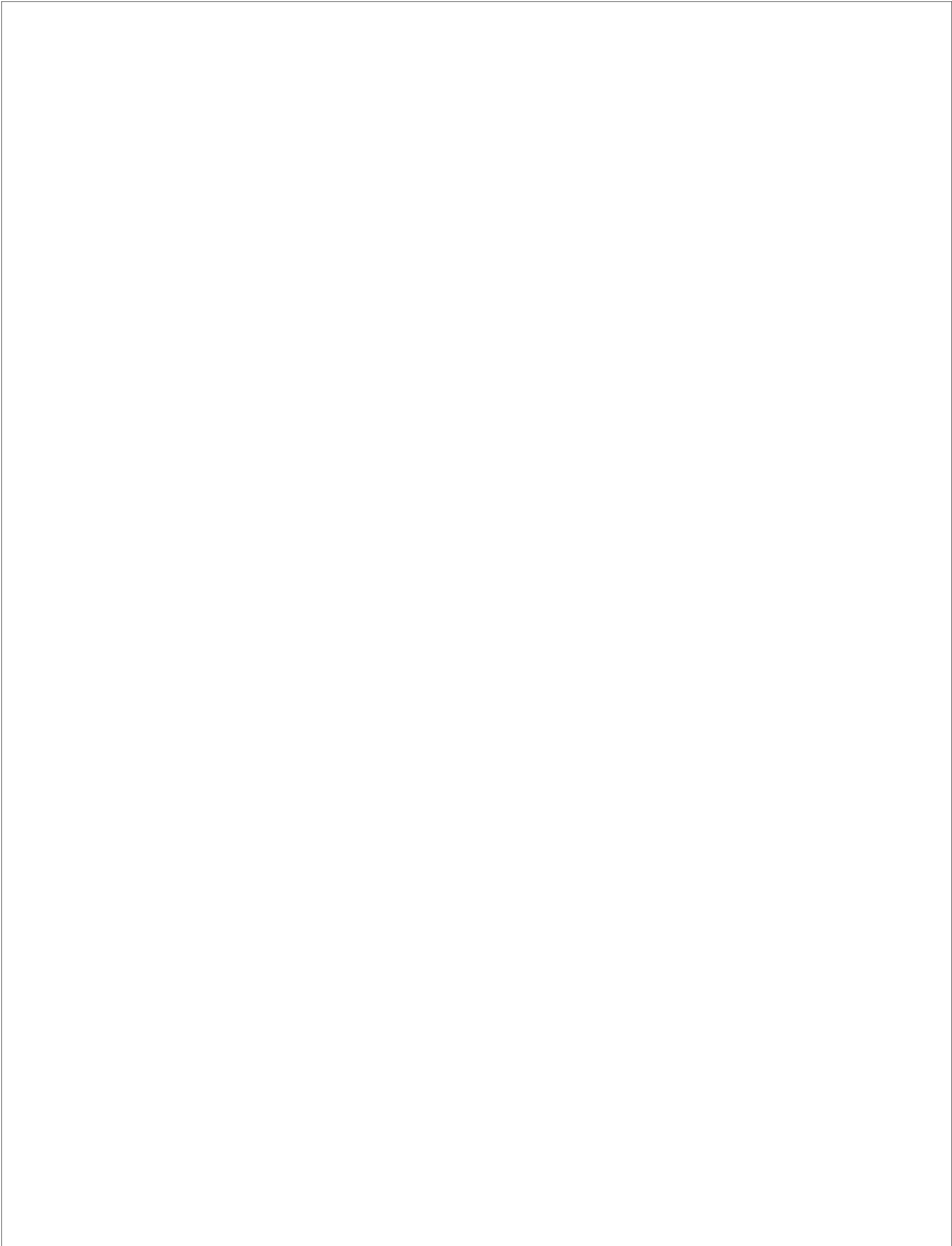
The Student Council have got a tree for our entrance hallway and have asked all students who want to, to make an ornament for it. Come and have a look! They are also hosting a Library Open House on **Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** at 6.30-8.00pm – see advert attached. They also will host an Elementary Dance on **Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>** from 6-8pm at school. More details will follow.

**Christmas Concert**

This year our Christmas Concert is on **Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm. The K-2 class are performing 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and Grades 3 to 7 are starring in 'The Best Christmas Pageant Ever.' Great actors need great audiences so come along and be part of it!

**Volleyball**

The volleyball season has come to an end and we would like to thank Scott Rookes and Susan Yurychuk for coaching our teams, Barb Mark and Katrina Sumrall for being the teacher-sponsors, Natalie Reitmeier for being the Senior Boys' Team chief driver and many other parents for driving the teams to games. Our teams were recognised by other schools for their team spirit. The Senior Girls Team placed second in the Zones, while the Senior Boys Team placed third in the Zones and first in the West Kootenays.



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One of my favourite stories that I read at this time of year is 'The Glass Peacock' by Eleanor Farjeon about two children, Annar-Mariar and Willyum. It is a tale set in the era of Dickens' Christmas Carol so you can imagine Tiny Tim living around the corner from these two. To cut a lovely story short, Christmas passes and a shop keeper has no need for her Christmas tree in the shop window so gives it to Annar-Mariar. Being kind-hearted Annar-Mariar gives away the ornaments to all the children in the street and she is left with the Glass Peacock as all the children know instinctively that she has her heart set on it. Except Willyum. He asks her for the Glass Peacock and so she gives it to him. That night, as he sleeps, Annar-Mariar hears the tinkle of broken glass as her brother turns over in his sleep onto the peacock. Annar-Mariar sighs but her eyes are drawn to her tree standing bare by the window. She remembers that her sharing of its simple offerings brought delight to the faces of the children.

At school this month we will contribute once again to the Community Christmas Hampers with our own Christmas Sharing. In the school office we have hampers for food items, new toys or games. We cannot accept home canned goods, fresh fruit or vegetables or used toys. Our deadline for offerings is **Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**.

Ms. Sebben's Home Economics group are selling pizza buns on **Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>** and proceeds will go to the Community Christmas Hampers.

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### H1NI Update

We are asked to report to Public Health absences due to sickness, so do let us know if your child is showing the signs and symptoms of influenza (fever, runny nose, extreme fatigue, cough, headache, sore throat, muscle aches and pains and may include diarrhea and vomiting). Thank you for keeping your child at home if he or she displays these symptoms. They should stay at home until at least 24 hours after they are free of fever. Any student or staff member who becomes ill during the day will be sent home or isolated if there is no-one at home. Symptom-free individuals should attend school. The vaccine is now available for anyone over 6 months old. Please refer to [www.interiorhealth.ca](http://www.interiorhealth.ca) to see when the clinics are in our area.

### Newsletter

We would like to move towards publishing our monthly newsletter online and sending it to homes via email. The newsletter is written at the end of each month and is available on the school website at: [www.sd10.bc.ca/less](http://www.sd10.bc.ca/less) . We do have some families' email addresses in our registration system but please let us know if you would like to receive the newsletter via email and give us your current email address. As this system will take a while to work itself through, the paper version will still be distributed to families who have not requested the email version and will be available in the office.