



Waterloo Elementary School January 2020

***Principal's Message***

*I hope you had a wonderful holiday season with your loved ones. We are happy to be leaping into 2020 with you. The weeks leading up to the break were full of excitement with Christmas dinner, our Christmas concert, skating, Christmas breakfast, classroom parties and the gifts from Santa. I wish to thank the Choir group and Ms. Lampron for putting on a fantastic concert for the whole school and parents. It was great to see so many families come to watch the students at the Christmas concert.*

*With winter upon us, we'd like to focus on importance of student safety with potential winter conditions of snow and ice. We strongly urge families to listen to the weather forecast to ensure students are dressed appropriately for the cold temperature. Students are reminded to arrive at school not earlier than 7:45 so that they are supervised by staff.*

*On behalf of the staff at Waterloo Elementary, we wish you & your families all the best in 2020. Our staff is looking forward to a great start to the New Year, with our emphasis being to support our students' well-being and accomplishments.*

***COLD WEATHER AND OUTDOOR PLAY***

*Spending time outdoors is an important part of the school day. There are great benefits when children play outside and get some fresh air, and enjoy some fun exercise. Outdoor play is also a break from the classroom. During winter, it's important that children come to school prepared for the cold. Students should wear boots, mittens/gloves and hats and it's a good idea to pack extra mittens, socks, etc. in case they are needed.*

**PED DAYS:** *January 6<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>*

**Registration for next year:**

Registration period: Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> to Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>

Re-registration: January 27<sup>th</sup> to February 7<sup>th</sup>

***Sports News:***

***Skating Program***

*A big thank you to all the parents and teachers who helped out with our skating program this year. We wish to thank the PPO and Barb for providing the school with a bus for our little ones. Having so many people driving, tying skates and helping on the ice with our little show made the program a great success.*

***Skiing:***

*The Grades 3 to Grades 6 students will once again be starting their ski program at Bromont. A Ski and Snowboard permission form was sent home before the holidays.*

*Ski dates: January 22, January 28, February 3, February 11, February 25, March 11 (back-up day)*

**End of Term:**

Please note that January is an important time with learning and we ask that your child be present at school as much as possible, unless he/she is sick. The end of term 2 is **January 31<sup>st</sup>**, so teachers will be evaluating students in the coming weeks. Lots of rest and early bedtimes can make all the difference in student learning.

**Parking Lot:**

It looks like the parking lot has once again become a challenge. Please park only on the right side of the parking lot or behind the teacher parking if you plan to bring your child to the school. (Please remember that parents should not be coming into school in the morning.) Otherwise, please just drop your child in the drop-off circle and go.

When parents park on the left and then back up it becomes an unsafe situation. Please help us keep everyone safe by following the flow of traffic.

