



# The Storrington Star December 2011



It's an exciting time of year, and our school is no exception! We have several special events planned for December, starting with our annual Jingle Bell Walk on Friday, December 2, with weather permitting, we will be walking around the track with our bells on. As in past years, we ask that students bring in a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank. We will be collecting this until the last week of school. This year, some of our classes will be helping local children in need by participating in the Christmas Angel programme sponsored by the Boy's and Girl's Club of Kingston. We are busy preparing for our concerts on December 21, which will feature all of our students showing their musical abilities. As well, we are planning spirit days for December.

We continue to support healthy living through school teams. Mr. Wray and Ms. Chung are practising with our girls' and boys' volleyball teams in preparation for their tournaments. We wish them all the best in their divisional finals. As well, our school was one of five schools in the District who participated in DPA Leader training. We look forward to having our students work with younger classes leading DPA. We're very excited to welcome Mrs. Amanda Freeland, who will be sharing the Grade 4 classroom with Mrs. Ramsay. Mrs. Freeland has a strong literacy background and teaching experience. Mrs. Ramsay will be spending some time supporting all our students in literacy and math until the end of the year. What great news!

Our staff is very dedicated and are deeply committed to the children. You have recently received your child's progress report, which outlines how they are doing. If you have any questions or wish to discuss your child's progress, please feel free to contact your child's teacher. Having read the progress reports, it is a tribute to see the thought, time and the understanding of each student as an individual the teachers have demonstrated. We are fortunate to have such an excellent team here!

We hope to see you at some of our celebrations this month, but if not, please accept our best wishes for a peaceful and restful holiday.

Sincerely,

Sue Perry and Ean Pattison

## **GOULD LAKE SUMMER PROGRAMS**

On December 19<sup>th</sup> our grades 7 and 8 students will enjoy a presentation by Gould Lake Staff outlining the different summer programs they offer. Gould Lake runs some amazing camping/canoeing overnight programs and presents secondary school credits upon completion. Visit <http://outed.limestone.on.ca> for more information.

**SCHOOL STARTS AGAIN ON JANUARY 9, 2012**

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

**Our next School Council meeting will be  
Wednesday, December 14 at 6:30 p. m.  
All are welcome!**

## **VOLLEYBALL TEAM NEWS**

The Girls' Volleyball teams have had a very busy and successful November. Participating in tournaments at LCVI, KCVI and Loughborough as well as games against Perth Road, Lundy's Lane, Joyceville and Glenburnie, the girls have been steadily improving their individual skills and team play. We appreciate the support from parents driving the girls to practices, tournaments and games as well as being great fans and constantly encouraging the Stingers. We are looking forward to a very successful Division 4 tournament on December 5th. Go Stingers!

The Boys' Volleyball team has been extremely busy this season! The 12 boys on our team have played in various tournaments at LCVI, KCVI, and Loughborough. They have played very competitively against Division 1 and 2 schools such as Vanier and Calvin Park. We have also played a number of exhibition games against schools in our area and have been very successful. We are looking forward to representing Storrington well at the Division 3 tournament at QECVI on December 8. Thank you to all of our parent drivers and supporters who have cheered us on so enthusiastically and to all the boys who have worked so hard during games and practices. Go Stingers!

## **JINGLE BELL WALK**

On Friday, December 2 we will be taking part in the Jingle Bell Walk. To help support local families, during the last week of November and throughout December we will be accepting donations of non-perishable food items that will be distributed through our community.

## **Thank You!**

We are all so grateful to Mike Jackson of Rideauview Contractors and Dan Mulrooney of Mulrooney Trucking, who donated their time, materials and lots of hard work to make our front gardens amazing! They have created a wonderful area that will warmly welcome people to our school!

## ***HOLIDAY CONCERT***

***December in Our Town, our musical with the whole school will be performed Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.***

***There will be two shows - one at 1:30 p.m. and one at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a donation to the local food bank for admission.***



