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Dear Parents and Guardians of Malaspina Students:

It's hard to believe it is December already! We hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season!

Important Dates to Remember

Dec 7	PAC meeting @ 7:30pm
Dec 10	Online orders for retake photos due
Dec 18	Last day before break
Dec 21-Jan 1	Winter break
Jan 4	First day back
Jan 14	Primary Assessment Day (K-Gr 3 students do not attend; <u>Grade 4's in Division 6 & 7 do attend</u>)
Jan 28-Feb 4	Mid-year CSL's distributed

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Daily Student Health Check

The Daily Student Health Check can be found on our website and on the SD 57 website. Please complete the health check with your children daily before leaving for school.

Parents, please be sure to keep your children home if they are sick. The daily student health check is filled with valuable information for families.

Photo Retake Orders

The ID/proof card for student retake photos were distributed this week. All orders are to be completed online (myorder.mountainwest.ca) with a web code that is provided on the ID/proof card. Orders are due by Dec 10th and photos will be mailed directly to the child's home.

Check out the "[How to Order](https://mountainwest.ca/Orders/HowtoOrder)" link (<https://mountainwest.ca/Orders/HowtoOrder>) which provides complete information on ordering photos. If you need any assistance, please contact Mountain West at <https://mountainwest.ca/>



Winter Performance

Our concert is looking very different this year. We will be recording performances Dec 7-11 and parents will be provided with a link to the performances that will be available for 30 days. Last week, Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy forms were sent home with students. Parents can sign and return the form to school if they want their child to participate in the recordings for our virtual Winter concert. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

December Theme Days

- Dec 14 - Character day - dress up as your favourite Christmas character
- Dec 15 - Wear your most festive Christmas hat
- Dec 16 - Red and Green explosion - dress in all Green and red
- Dec 17 - Jump aboard the Polar Express - wear your Christmas PJs
- Dec 18 - Wear your ugly sweater





Dressing for the Weather

With fluctuating temperatures, please ensure your child dresses for the weather. It is time for hats, mitts, scarves, boots, warm coats and snow pants.

Lost and Found

The lost and found bin has many items on it and they will be put out on display for students to claim. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity. We have created lost and found bins for each pod to make it easier for students to find lost items. It is helpful if parents write initials on tags of boots, coats, etc...



Communicating Student Learning (CSL)

At the end of January/beginning of February, students will receive a mid-year CSL report.

Late Arrival/Early Pick Up

Thank you for everyone's help in following the new procedure for late arrivals and early pick up with our school doors being locked. If your child arrives late to school, we ask that parents call the office upon arrival. To ensure your child enters the building safely, we ask parents to please wait with their child at the front door until the student is let in the school. There is a doorbell at our front door in case someone doesn't have a cell phone to call the office. If you arrive at the school to pick up your child early, please call the office and your child will be brought to the front door. We appreciate parents waiting outside.

Seven Teachings

Our teaching for the month of December is humility. The animal that represents this teaching is the wolf.

Humility is:

- Thinking of others before yourself
- Owning up to your mistakes
- Helping others



PAC

All parents and guardians are invited to the PAC meeting on Dec 7th @ 6:30pm. Please contact PAC for info at malaspinapac@gmail.com

