

THE BULLDOG

December



As we enter the month of December, I want to extend my appreciation to all of our Yarrow Community School families for your continued support, partnership, and engagement. This time of year provides a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the learning, growth, and connections our students have made over the fall term. We are proud of the hard work happening in classrooms and the positive contributions our students make each day.

December is always a busy and exciting month at Yarrow. Classrooms are filled with joyful learning, creative projects, and opportunities to build community. Amidst the excitement, we continue to emphasize kindness, respect, and care for one another—values that are especially meaningful during this season.

As winter break approaches, we encourage families to enjoy time together, rest, and recharge. The holidays provide a chance to slow down and appreciate the small moments that matter most. We look forward to welcoming students back in January, refreshed and ready for a new year of learning.

On behalf of the staff at Yarrow Community School, I wish all of our families a safe, peaceful, and joyful holiday season.

Christmas Market

A big thank you to Holland imports for their generous Christmas Decoration donations. We were able to raise over \$1800 at our Christmas Market. This money will go towards our grade 5 year end celebration.



Gingerbread House Contest

Entries will be brought to the school lobby on **Monday, December 15th**.

Contest Rules:

- Maximum 12x12inch base
- No height limit
- Can be made of wood and non-food materials
- This is a family project (made at home)
- Gingerbread houses must be picked up by the evening of the Christmas Concert (Dec 17) Leftover gingerbread houses will be discarded.

Prizes for:
-most creative
-most traditional
-most country/
western theme

Spirit Week

Monday

Merry Monday!

Wear **red** and **green**



Tuesday

Dress like you work in Santa's shop!

Wednesday

Christmas Concert

Flannel wear

Thursday

What not to wear!

Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater

Friday

Festive Friday!
Go all out and wear your most festive sweater or outfit



Food Drive

We will be having our Food Drive during the week of December 8 - 12. More information regarding this is to come, so watch your emails :)



Christmas Concert - Dec 17

Our Christmas Concert will be on Wednesday, December 17th. There will be an evening show at 6:30pm, and a Matinee at 10:30am.

MATINEE:

Doors open at 10am. Entrance to the school before 10am will not be permitted. Audience will enter school through the community school doors or the gym courtyard doors.

EVENING SHOW:

Doors open at 6pm, students dropped off to their classrooms at 6pm. The gate at the end of Poplar will be unlocked for additional parking (evening show only.)

Term 1 Report Cards

The first term report cards will be sent home on Friday, December 12th. These reports offer a snapshot of your child's learning so far this year. We encourage you to review the report card together with your child and take time to celebrate their efforts, growth, and successes. If you have any questions about your child's progress, please feel free to connect with their classroom teacher.

Seniors Lunch

We host a Senior's Lunch every second Wednesday of the month at 12:00pm in the school Multi-Purpose room. The lunches are open to any senior citizens, come join us for lunch, games, and crafting with students. Lunch is provided and no RSVP necessary - let the seniors in your life know!



Building Independence at Morning Drop Off

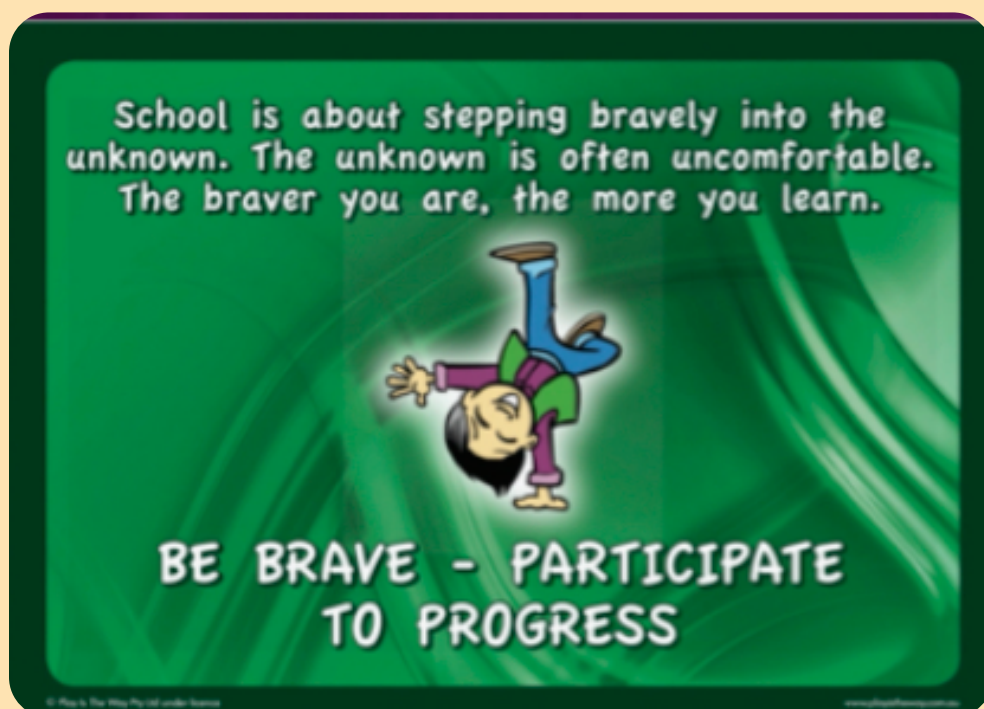
As students settle into their routines and grow more comfortable at school, we are encouraging them to say goodbye to their parents at the outside door each morning. Our cloakrooms have become quite congested, and having students come in on their own helps keep the hallways safe and calm for everyone.

Saying goodbye at the door also supports children in building confidence and independence as they start their day.

Thank you for helping us create smooth, positive mornings for all students!

Positive Behaviour Support

This month, our focus is on being Brave. Students will have opportunities to show that they can do hard things—even when they may not feel like it. With the Christmas season upon us, there are many changes to our regular routines. This is a great time for students to practice flexibility, courage, and confidence as they navigate new activities and experiences.





LIBRARY NEWS

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Book Fair

The Book Fair is here December 2-4! Be looking for a flyer to come home with some of the books that will be there. Students will make a wish list of items they would like to purchase on Tuesday, December 2 and then they can bring money to buy books and goodies on Wednesday, December 3 and Thursday, December 4. The Book Fair will be open to parents on Wednesday after school until 4pm. This is a great time to buy teachers a book off their wish list for their classrooms. Come support our library and check it out!

Super Reader

We have started handing out lots of prizes for 50 nights and now 100 nights of reading is coming up! The first day to hand in 100 nights is Tuesday, December 9. We will have our first celebration in the New Year for those that have reached 100 nights.

Books over the Break

Students can bring home library books over the break but we ask that they are taken care of and do not go missing. Please remember that if any books are damaged or lost to pay the fee to replace them so our library can stay stocked full of good books to read!

Yarrow PAC Newsletter

December 2025



A Note From The PAC

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at Yarrow Community School! The Christmas trees are up and ready to show off the ornaments our kids will be working on. Festivities are being planned, classrooms are buzzing, and it's all shaping up to be a whole lot of fun!

I can't say it enough... A HUGE thank you to our amazing volunteers and event sponsors. Your time, energy, and support help make all of this possible, and we appreciate you so much.

We know this month can get busy busy busy, but we hope you find moments to slow down and enjoy time together as a family. This season is filled with magic, wonder, and a whole lot of excitement!

Keep your eyes on the school calendar and the PAC Facebook page for updates – it's going to be a fun, festive month!

PAC Meeting is December 2, 2025 in the YCS Library @7pm

Sponsor Highlight



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Fundraisers

HUGE Thank You! With your support, we raised \$816.90 from our Purdy's Chocolates fundraiser!

Every dollar goes right back into supporting school activities and programs, and we're so grateful for everyone who ordered and shared.

New Fundraisers Coming in the New Year!




Contact Us

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 PAC Meetings First Tuesday
YCS Library @7:00pm



From the
Community School

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Babysitters Course

Red Cross Babysitters Course coming in the new year! Registering soon.

Sew Fun

More projects in the new year!

Licensed Child Care

Registration has re-opened

Puddle Jumpers Daycare - for children 30 months - 5 years old

Jellybeans Preschool - licensed 3 and 4 yr. old programs. Please email jellybeanspreschool@gmail.com

Out of school care - Out of school care for school age children. Full and Part time rates available this year.

All programs have waitlists this year!

Facility Rentals

Our spaces are available for rent afterschool, evenings, and weekends year-round for community use. Please call coordinator Sally Lum at 604-823-0257 or sallylum@shaw.ca for more information on the following programs or to inquire about facility rentals. We are always interested to hear from anyone with new ideas or proposals for programs or events.

Saturday All Sports

Registering now! Call Sally for more information 604-823-0257