

# ELIJAH SMITH SCHOOL NEWS

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## Hockey Champs



Congratulations to our Grade Seven and Six hockey team for winning gold at last week's tournament! The boys played very well and won in a shootout! They showed exemplary behaviour and sportsmanship throughout. We're very proud of them! (Team Names on Page 3)

## PD Day

School Council has confirmed that we can use **Monday, February 15** as our final Professional Development day of the year. We will be working with Department of Education personnel to further our School Growth Plan. Therefore, there will be **NO SCHOOL** on that day.

## Haiti Relief

Ms Ross' Grade 6 class would like to thank everyone who donated to the projects they have been working on to raise money and supplies for Haiti. With your help, they were able to put together 108 school kits through Project Love and C.O.D.E. They also raised just over \$1000 by selling bannock! The money will be given to World Vision for Haiti relief work.



The class has one other project. They will be raising money through hot dog sales and through a mock relief camp. The funds will go toward buying a Shelter Box for Haiti through the Rotary club. Thanks again for all your support and thanks to the following stores for their donations: Superstore, The Dollar Store, Liquidation World, Walmart, and the Porter Creek Super A.

## Two Boys

After Haiti's calamitous earthquake, two Grade Five boys—**Liam and Ryan**—both in Erika Laughton's class, decided to raise some money for the Red Cross relief effort. The boys talked to their families and together baked dozens of cookies. Ryan and Liam then went to the Bigway store on the weekend, put up a sign and proceeded to sell their cookies and to get donations from shoppers. At the end of the day, the boys had amassed \$401.00! Bigway then stepped up and matched that figure and then YTG matched the new amount. Therefore, \$1203.00 was given over to the Red Cross for relief work in Haiti by the actions of two Grade 5 boys who took it upon themselves to offer help to people in another part of the world. We're very proud of Ryan and Liam and grateful to both Bigway and YTG for their generosity.



## Sports at ESES

### Basketball

Our Grade Seven teams are currently playing weekly games against other schools. The final tournament is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, February 12 and 13.

### Wrestling

Our season will continue this month and next. The final tournament will be at the Canada Games Centre at the end of March.

### Polar Games

**Dave Stockdale** from the Polar Games has put out an urgent call for 15 billets for boys in soccer/handball and curling. If you could take a billet or an extra one, please call Dave at 668-3358 or email him at [stockdale@yknet.ca](mailto:stockdale@yknet.ca).

### Ice Hockey

**Our gold medalists:** Brandon, Bo, Tyson, Kole, Marcus, Dustyn,, Josh,, Dennis, Jack, Levi, James, Garron, and Corey. Good work to all and a big thanks to Coaches Ben Wondga and Angie Troke, and to former ESES student Tyrell.

# Whole Child Program

We have started our program for the New Year. We are at the school **each Thursday from 5:30-7:00 except for one swim night a month.** Our next swim night is Thursday, February 11.

One of the activities currently in Whole Child is a stuffy sewing project with our Librarian, **Maureen Wallingham.** Parents are more than welcome to join this activity.

Another volunteer will be working on Single Knot bracelet (up to 8 students Grade 5 and up). Elinore Fredrickson will be baking cookies with students in the kitchen this evening as well.

We'd like to start a Board Games group at Whole Child. If you have any board games at home that you could donate, we'd really appreciate it!

## Nutrition

As part of the health promotion's "Drop the Pop" campaign, the ESES Spirit Club will be sponsoring a healthy Recess snack program. Starting the week of February 15, Primary and Intermediate students will be offered a healthy recess snack of a piece of fresh fruit, cheese and crackers, or a granola bar. Students can choose to have the healthy snack or not. Primary students will generally be offered the snack on Mondays and Intermediate students on Fridays. We plan to run the program for five weeks. The aim of the program is to raise awareness around healthy eating habits.

## Upcoming Events

<b>Polar Games (Grades 5 and 6):</b>	<b>February 5 and 6</b>
<b>Grade 7 Valentine Dance:</b>	<b>February 12</b>
<b>PD Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>February 15</b>
<b>Spring Break:</b>	<b>March 8-19</b>
<b>Grade 7 Bison Hunt</b>	<b>March 21-25</b>