



# **BARRIERE SECONDARY SCHOOL**

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## **Final Weekly Update December, 2022**

Good Afternoon

This week the halls and classrooms were filled with holiday spirit. The food drive was a success, collecting nearly 200 items! Thank you for your generosity! Ms. Cantin and the Leadership class organized a number of spirit events, the food drive and decorating for the holiday lunch. These events made for a busy December, we appreciate their contributions to our school community.

Wednesday we had the annual Christmas lunch. We are fortunate to have the support of our community and a number of local organizations and businesses. Cooking turkey dinner for 250 people doesn't happen with an army of support, a special thank you to the following groups and people who contributed to this event:

Trustee Rhonda Kershaw – School District 73,  
Councillor Louise Loge – District of Barriere,  
Councillor Tina Donald – Simpcw Nation,  
Greg Smith – Gilbert Smith,  
Tanya Speer – Interior Savings,  
Franz Friesinger– Barriere Outdoor Club,  
Antoon Houbeen– Lion's Club,  
Acting Corporal Galvin, Deb Stamer and members of the Barriere RCMP Detachment,  
Doug Davis – Community member, and;  
Leesa Schilling and Angela Farrow – Parent Advisory Council.

I'd like to also acknowledge the tireless work of Laura Mairs, who preps and plans for all of our meals, again making this Christmas feast an event that students look forward to each year.

Last week, the Senior Boys kept the Championship trophy here in Barriere as they won all 3 games on the way to winning the Cougar Classic!

The grade 8 girls played incredibly well in a tournament in Brock last week as well. Beating the host team in their opening game, the girls went on to a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish in a tough tournament to start their season.

This weekend the Senior Girls team is playing in the Fulton Cup in Kamloops. They lost a tough match to Valleyview last night and play Westsyde today. Go Cougars!

Whatever your plans are for the upcoming holiday season, on behalf of the staff, I wish you a very merry Christmas and a safe and restful break.

**School will re-open on Tuesday January 3, 2023**

All the best

John Tyler  
Principal  
Barriere Secondary School