



'Tis the season!

December has arrived, and the holidays will be here in no time! Throughout this month, we take time to focus on caring for others, as it is one of our Big 5 fundamental values at École John Wilson Elementary. Caring is fostered as we focus on the importance of citizenship and we work with students to help them become contributing members in our community. We can be proud of our ÉJWES students and families who share their care for others through the generous donations we received for our Christmas Bureau collection. We are grateful for the donations that continue to come in for our Innisfail Food Bank Bingo drive. Our students stuffed many large Christmas bags for the Innisfail Christmas Bureau, and so many boxes of food are currently being filled for the Innisfail Food Bank. Wow!! Our efforts are greatly appreciated by the volunteers who come to pick up the items for both organizations. We thank you for your support in helping to make a difference in our school and our community!

Our Christmas Concert performances are coming soon, and the sound of the students practicing in music and in their classrooms fills the hallways. Here are a few reminders for the evenings:

- Entrance to the school on concert evenings will be through the main doors of Innisfail Middle School
- 6:10pm- The main doors of Innisfail Middle School will open to drop students off at their classrooms
- 6:15pm- Gym 4 doors will open for seating
- Performance will begin at 6:30pm
- For inquiries/questions about accessibility, please contact the school as soon as possible

It is always so heartwarming to have our John Wilson families and friends join us here at the school to celebrate the holiday season together. Our students do such an amazing job of entertaining one and all, and we are so proud of them!

On behalf of both ÉJWES and our ÉJWES School Council, I would like to extend our gratitude for your dedicated support toward our fundraising efforts. Our Innisfail Growers fundraiser was a success again this year! We love that we can continue to support local businesses with the many delicious items available. The Innisfail Growers team is amazing to work with, and we appreciate their willingness to support our school as well! Proceeds from this fundraiser will help supplement the cost of field trips and reduce the amount each family will pay for their child(ren) to participate. Thank you to our John Wilson families and friends for making this fundraiser a success!

From all of us at École John Wilson Elementary, we wish you a safe and peaceful holiday season filled with many blessings, and a Happy New Year as we welcome 2025! School will resume the week of January 6th. We look forward to our students sharing the excitement of their break with us!

Merry Christmas!

Angela Warke
Principal

