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Dates to remember:

- Jan. 4 - Back to School
- Jan. 4- Young Actors Project begins for everyone
- Jan. 19 PAC meeting, 6:30
- Jan. 22- Half day PRO D day
11:20 dismissal
- Jan. 28- Educational Implementation Day, no school for students

New Website

Please check out our new website. It has information and dates about upcoming events and the school in general. You will recognize William Bridge immediately by the beautiful mural header on our home page.

Dear Families,

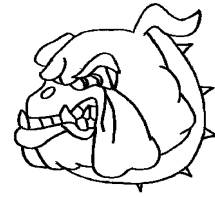
Oh what a night!!! I am speaking, of course, about Wednesday night and our production of 'Paint the Town December.'" From Christmas, to Hannukah, to Kwanzaa, to Ramaden, we shared winter celebrations from around the world and sang our way into your hearts. The night was magical with each and everyone of us touched in some way by the beauty of the children's voices and the finale with 300 students in the gym singing their hearts out. It was truly a night to remember.

We are fortunate indeed at Bridge to have a staff that gladly undertakes such a huge production. Many thanks to all staff members for practicing songs and being flexible as well as Ms, Chiang our new Music teacher extraordinaire, Mme Miller, Mme Trewin, Ms. Funston and Mrs. Potter, our creative directors. All of these people spent countless lunch hours practicing lines and preparing sets. The show would not have gone on without the technical talent of Mr. Moscovitch on sound and Mr. Reed, our resident jack of all trades, climbing 16 foot ladders replacing lights, creating windows scenes and backdrops, and picking up risers to practice on. This evening was truly a coming together of the entire Bridge Family.

Now, with the holiday upon us, it is a chance for you to spend time with your family. Whatever holiday you celebrate, cherish this time and create memories to treasure in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Wanda Salewski, Principal



Thank you to everyone who brought in canned goods and non perishable food items for our food drive. I know that there are many needy families in Richmond who will be happy for your generous support.

Educational Implementation Days

The Ministry of Education has designated 2 additional non-instructional days for teachers to explore the newly redesigned curriculum. Teachers will be working collaboratively in school communities with teacher mentors to facilitate the inquiry. The dates chosen are Friday, January 29, 2016 and Monday, May 2, 2016. School will not be in session for students on these days. We plan to share more information with you about the new curriculum at an upcoming parent night in the new year. Please check the website for the date.



Global Group Bottle Drive

Thanks to everyone who already brought in cans and bottles for our first ever bottle drive. Please save your bottles during the holidays and bring them in the first week back at school, January 4-8. The global group is holding another bottle drive, this time to support our global project, which is helping to supplying clean water for families in Ecuador.



Young Actors Project

Following the winter holiday, all students will be participating in 3 drama workshops led by drama coaches from the Young Actors Project. This will be a great opportunity to take part in acting lessons right in our own classrooms. Please watch for a notice in January with more information.

