

# Bowden Grandview School

DECEMBER 6, 2021

## LITTLE SHOPPERS

Little Shoppers is a temporary Christmas store located in the library for students to shop for their parents, siblings and grandparents. Students may purchase items for \$1.00 or \$2.00, wrap and label to take home for Christmas gifts. All proceeds go to Bowden Silent Santa and is sponsored by Friends of Grandview.

Little Shoppers are now accepting donations of new or gently used items, Christmas bags and name tags. They can be dropped off at the office or the library. Little Shoppers will be open December 6th & 7th



### What's Happening:

#### Monday, December 6

- Little Shoppers

#### Tuesday, December 7

- Little Shoppers

#### Friday, December 10

- No School



## Elementary

### Christmas Concert

Enjoy the performances of our K-Gr. 6 students in your own home this year!

We will send out a video link on Thurs. Dec. 16 on your child's Google Classroom.

Make some hot chocolate... sit back... enjoy the show!



**Grades 1-6 parents:** Swimming lessons start in the new year. Please remember to go online, sign the permission form and pay your swim fees



## Ways to Build Assets During the Holidays

The holidays are a great time to reconnect as a family. These small, but meaningful connections can help build assets in your child.

40 Developmental Assets are building blocks that children and youth need as a foundation for growing up healthy!

Strong family relationships are the very heart of asset development.

Here are some ideas to help your family grow closer and maintain a positive atmosphere at home.



Have your child teach you something new.

Get to know your children's friends and invite them along to one or more of your great holiday activities.

Plan and cook a meal together as a family.

Build a snowman together, then warm up with some hot chocolate.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

Make holiday crafts together.

Have a screen free day. Get active.

Talk about family traditions.

Walk around the neighborhood to look at festive lights and decorations. Say hello to the neighbours that you see.

Shovel your neighbours' driveway together.

Curl up as a family and watch a favourite holiday movie.

Volunteer together.

Go tobogganing.

goal of SPARC Red Deer is to educate and excite our community on building blocks that all children and youth need in order to thrive, which includes the 40 Developmental Assets.

Best wishes,

SPARC Red Deer, Strengthening Positive Assets & Resiliency in Communities

403.896.9431 | [www.sparcreddeer.ca](http://www.sparcreddeer.ca) |  





# ART ATTACK

Ages 6+

When: Every Other Friday  
Time: 4pm-5pm  
Where: Zoom



December 3rd: 3D Noodle Christmas Tree Craft  
December 17th: Mini Wooden Snowmen

To pre-register please contact  
Kristin at 403-877-7163

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## *Paint Afternoon*

Please join Kristin and Jenny at Color Me Mine in Red Deer Saturday December 11th to paint some pottery!

Parents, you are welcome to drop your kiddos off and take off while we are painting.

Pre-registration is required, there is limited space so sign up soon!  
Contact Kristin at 403-877-7163

Time: 1pm-2:45pm  
Address: 2085 50th Ave Suite 1A



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**Do you want to help your child thrive and promote positive behaviour?  
Do you want to help your child avoid risky behaviour?  
This workshop is for you!**

## FREE PARENTING WORKSHOP

**DATE:** December 7, 2021

**TIME:** 12:00 to 1:00pm

**LOCATION:** Virtual Zoom Session

(link will be sent the day before the workshop)

**Developmental assets** are the building blocks of healthy development that help children grow up caring, responsible and resilient. You will learn about these assets as well as:

- factors that contribute to the healthy development of children & youth.
- what you can do to help build skills, experiences and opportunities for your child.
- how building on young people's strengths can help prevent alcohol and drug abuse and other risky behaviours.



**REGISTER by December 5th**  
Go to Events tab at [www.sparcreddeer.ca](http://www.sparcreddeer.ca)



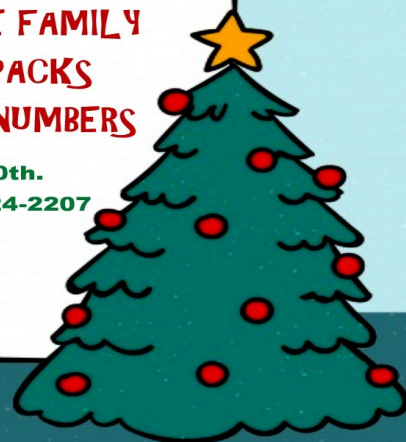
# SANTA'S COMING TO TOWN!

**And he's bringing a little extra cheer to Bowden & District Families!**

**ELVES HAVE MADE SOME FAMILY  
ACTIVITY & TREAT PACKS  
AVAILABLE IN LIMITED NUMBERS**

**Register before December 10th.**

**Contact Bowden FCSS at 403-224-2207  
or email [fcss@bowden.ca](mailto:fcss@bowden.ca)**



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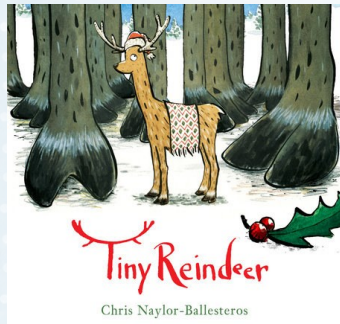


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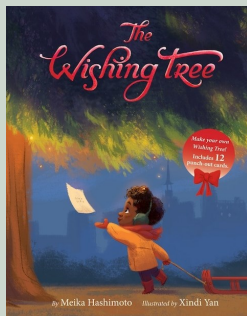
## Literacy Education

Reading aloud with your children can promote literacy skills even after they have become independent readers. The Christmas season seems to bring about more opportunities to be together as a family so why not take advantage of the time and read a few books with your kids? Whether your elf brings a new book each day in December, or your family follows the rule of 4 gifts (something you want, something you need, something to wear, something to read), these books are perfect for kids of all ages.



Santa and his reindeer are getting ready for Christmas, but Tiny Reindeer is too small to join in! Santa knows that a nudge in the right direction could change Tiny's life forever. When Tiny discovers a letter from a bereft little girl who is wishing for a tiny reindeer to match her grandfather's final gift, a hand-carved tiny sleigh, Tiny realizes that this might be his big chance. But will he have the courage to take a (literal) leap into the unknown? And what can Santa do to help?

This picture book is a sweet, funny and heartfelt look at being different and feeling too small to matter, and reassures readers that even the smallest gift -- whether it's a tiny reindeer or a seemingly small opportunity to help -- can bring lots of joy.

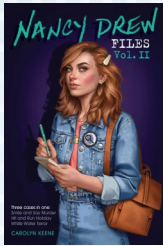


Theo loves everything about Christmas—from the twinkling lights to the merry carolers . . . and don't forget about Santa! But with days before December 25th, there isn't even a single holly in sight.

Determined to show his town what Christmas is all about, Theo finds ways to share his holiday cheer. And along the way, with a little help from the magical wishing tree, Theo discovers the true meaning of Christmas and a new holiday tradition.



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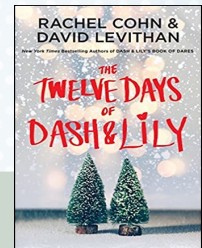


In Hit and Run Holiday, a friend's near-murder plunges Nancy down a path of darkness on Florida's seemingly sunny beaches. With a whispered name as her only clue, Nancy combs the coast for the would-be killer, desperate to find him...before he strikes again.

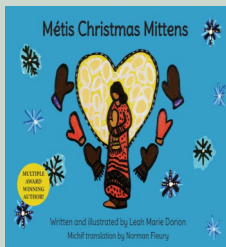


It's Christmas-time and Lily, an unlucky-in-love 16-year-old, listens to the advice of her lucky-in-love brother and leaves her red notebook on her favourite bookshop shelf. The book, and the dares inside it, have Lily waiting for the right guy to come along and rise to the challenge.

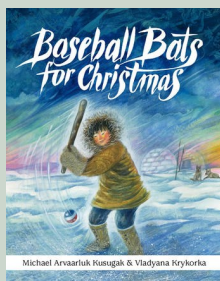
ALSO CHECK OUT THE TWELVE DAYS OF DASH AND LILY BY RACHEL COHN AND DAVID LEVITHAN



## Indigenous Education



The holiday season has always been a very special time for Métis families. A family-oriented people, the Métis often didn't have money to buy expensive presents, but instead made practical items with much love. In this spirit, award-winning author and illustrator, Leah Marie Dorion takes readers back to the Métis tradition of making mittens for loved ones. Métis Christmas Mittens is a touching ode to Métis family life is accompanied by Leah's distinctive and evocative art.



Never having seen trees, the children in Repulse Bay decide that the funny things delivered to them one year for Christmas must actually be for making baseball bats





# DECEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11am Stay, Play and Learn 11:30am-12:30pm Un Limited Champions 4pm-5pm	2 Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11:30am	3 Active Kids 10am-11am  Art Attack 4pm-5:00pm	4
<b>PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED</b>						
5 <b>CALL OR TEXT 403-877-7163 TO REGISTER</b>	6 Stay, Play and Learn 10am-11am	7 Stay, Play & Learn 9:30am-10:45am Active Parenting 1pm-2:30pm Impact Youth Club 4pm-5pm	8 Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11am  Stay, Play and Learn 11:30am-12:30pm	9 Stay, Play and Learn 10am-11:30am	10 <b>PD DAY</b> Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11am  Lego Club 1pm-2pm	11 Kids Paint Afternoon at Color Me Mine 1pm-2:45pm
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<b>Office Closed Returning January 3rd</b>						
						<b>Family Resource Network</b>





**Youths Ages 12+ Join me  
Tuesday December 7th from  
4pm-5pm at the Innisfail  
FRN office where we will be  
creating our own Ugly  
Christmas Sweaters!**



**Pre-registration is required  
Please contact Kristin at  
403-877-7163. We will need your shirt size when  
you register as well.**



**Cut off will be Friday December 3rd.  
Limited spaces available**



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## In-Door Locations and Days

### Springbrook

#### Stay, Play and Learn

**Where:** Springbrook FCSS Building 3824- 21A St

**When:** Every Other Monday From 10am-11am

### Pine Lake

#### Creative Masters

**Where:** Pine Lake Community Hall 20 36366 Range Rd 252

**When:** Every Other Monday From 5:30pm-6:30pm

### Innisfail

#### Stay, Play and Learn

**Where:** Innisfail United Church 4720 48 Ave

**When:** Every Tuesday From 9:30am-10:45am

#### Impact Youth Club

**Where:** Innisfail FRN Office 5035 49th St

**When:** Every Tuesday From 4pm-5pm

#### Lego Club

**When:** Every Other Friday

**Where:** Zoom

#### Un Limited Champions

**Where:** Zoom

**When:** Every Other Wednesday

### Elnora

#### Stay, Play and Learn

**Where:** Elnora Legion 4th Ave

**When:** Every Wednesday From 10am-11am

### Delburne

#### Stay, Play and Learn

**Where:** Delburne United Church 2306 20th St

**When:** Every Wednesday From 11:30am-12:30pm

### Spruce View

#### Stay, Play and Learn

**Where:** Spruce View Community Hall 2127 AB-54

**When:** Every Thursday From 10am-11:30am

### Bowden

**Stay, Play and Learn (Every Other Friday)**

**Active Kids (Every Other Friday)**

**Where:** Bowden Friendship Club 2133 18 Ave

**When:** Every Friday From 10am-11am



## Un Limited Champions

**When: Every other Wednesday**

**Time: 4pm-5pm**

**Where: Zoom**

**December 1st: Snowman Countdown Calendar**

**December 15th: Christmas Sensory Bottles**

**To pre-register please contact**

**Kristin at 403-877-7163**

