

RMS NEWSLETTER – December 2021

'Tis the season for all things warm and fuzzy! We are all hopeful that 2022 will bring some normalcy to our world. Thank you for granting us grace as we have worked through the challenges that 2021 has presented. We wish you all a happy and healthy holiday with your loved ones doing all the things that bring you joy! From our RMS family to yours – happy holidays!

Kudos Corner!

- Thank you to our staff, students, and families for being flexible and supportive during our online learning experience.
- Thank you to our volunteers who have committed their time to coach basketball.
- Thank you to Mrs. Boudreau, Mrs. Penney, Ms. Jamieson and Mr. Tower for volunteering their time to support the breakfast program.
- Thank you to the students and staff who participated in our Spirit Week and Student Leadership activities – we love your school spirit and pride!

Best Buddies Boutique

On Tuesday, December 7, we invite all students to come shop at our Best Buddies Boutique! Yes, Rudolph, Buddy, along with their Best Buddies Elves, will be raising funds to help support families in need at Christmas, as well as their RMS Best Buddies program. Students can purchase gifts for their friends and family, and prices will range from \$2.00 to \$5.00. The sale will take place over the noon hour in the Healthy Living Room. Stay tuned for a preview shopping infomercial from Rudolph and Buddy!

Morning Options

Our morning programs are up and running. Students have been taking advantage of the different choices offered on the daily. Morning programs offer flexibility, time with friends, opportunities to make new friends, and avenues to try new things. Please remember that students of age to get the Covid vaccine must provide proof of vaccination to participate.

Reminder of our daily Rise and Shine open gym program which starts at 8am - all you need is clean, dry sneakers!

RMS Merch

Get your Ridgeview Swag. Socks will be handed out to students who ordered on December 9th. If you do not wish to have the socks sent home with your student, please call the school 357-4097 or email Mrs. Camp at kim.camp@nbed.nb.ca to arrange a pickup time.

The Gift of Giving

RMS is holding our third annual Gift Card Blitz. We are hopeful it will be as successful as in the years past. As we prepare for the holiday season, if you are in the position to help support a family, your generosity would be greatly appreciated. Any denomination is appreciated.

Sports News

At this point, our basketball teams are just about finalized. For the 2021-22 season, the schedules will be released soon for our JV Boys, Varsity Boys', and Girls' teams. Our season will start in early December and go through until February.

Ring a Bell for Mental Health

On Friday, December 3, people across New Brunswick will be celebrating the 11th annual Dots for Kids Day. This campaign is part of a grassroots movement that has been empowering youth, family, and community to take positive actions in support of kids' mental health since 2010. As part of the Dots for Kids Day **Ring A Bell** Campaign, students in kindergarten to grade eight across the province will be learning about mental health and wellness in schools.

For more information on the Ring A Bell Campaign, please see the following link:

Source: [Ring A Bell 2021 – Dots NB \(partnersforyouth.ca\)](https://partnersforyouth.ca)

Health and Wellness

Daylight comes to and end quicker these days. The season is changing and so is the weather. Please encourage your child/ren to enjoy the fresh air as much as possible and dress for the weather. We know it is not "cool" for middle school kids to wear coats and appropriate winter attire, however, should they choose not to dress for the weather they will experience natural consequences.

Lost and Found

Lost/misplaced items can be found in our Lost and Found displayed on a table at the beginning of the Breezeway by the grade 7 stairs. Please encourage your child/ren to look for any belongings they may be missing in the Lost and Found ASAP. All items NOT picked up by Dec. 17 will be donated.

Pizza Twice Fundraiser

We are excited to partner with Pizza Twice! We are selling vouchers that can be redeemed for 12 inch three topping pizza OR 12 inch garlic fingers. Each voucher is \$12 (\$5 profit to RMS from each sale). Funds raised will support the purchase of materials for GaGa ball pit and three pole flag system. Thanks in advance for your support!

Orders can be placed using the link <https://anglophonewest.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/31185/176/False/True>

Staff of the Month – November

Ms. Wasson is being recognized as our Staff of the Month by RMS students and staff. This is her first year in the role of EA. She has adjusted well to the role and continues to learn from her colleagues. Students say, "She is a good EA", "She helps me with my work", "She knows when I need a break", "She is nice". Staff enjoy having Ms. Wasson's support in class. They recognize the effort she makes to connect with kids she supports both directly and indirectly. Ms. Wasson actively participates in class as a model for students. Ms. Wasson is known for her humor and bubbly personality. We love having you on our Team, Ms. Wasson!

Amanda Piron

Principal

Angela Thomson

Vice-Principal



Up Coming Events:

Ring a Bell Week – Mental Health

- November 29-December 3

PL Day – No School for Students

- December 3

Parent-Teacher Interviews

- December 2 – 4-7pm
- December 3 – 8-noon

January RMS Newsletter goes home

- December 21

Virtual Student Recognition Ceremony

- December 23

Last day of School – FULL Day

- December 23
- Classes resume on January 10, 2022