

# Raft River Elementary School Newsletter



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**“Inspire CURIOSITY and COMPASSION  
Build CONFIDENCE and COMPETENCE”**

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Message from the Vice Principal:

Wishing every member of the Raft River community a wonderful New Year filled with nuggets of our school vision: “Inspiring Curiosity and Compassion; Building Confidence and Competence”! These are not just words – our vision guides the very important work we do with children every day. And with a strong partnership between school and home, we are developing a truly collaborative culture that facilitates deeper student learning and overall wellness.

There’s a lot happening in January! We started the New Year with the Gratitude Jar in the hall. And in another section of the hall, we have Salmon Alevins getting ready to turn into Fry any day now. Basketball season is in full swing (or should we say, full bounce?) as well as our Cross-Country Skiing program. Hopefully, our local ski hill will have enough snow for our students to get some Downhill Skiing as well. Grade 4 and 7 students are engaged in FSA’s, the DARE Program has started for grade 6’s, and registration for new Kindergarten students will be happening very soon. This month also features Unplug and Play with a focus on reading great books available in our own library!

Stop by and come take a look at what’s happening at Raft! There are Basketball home games coming up, monthly assemblies, PAC meetings and events, and don’t forget our Facebook page – so many ways to stay connected. Don’t forget to play in the snow, and afterwards cuddling up with a good book and hot chocolate – they go great together!

## WHAT’S COMING UP?

### January...

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> – Pizza Day  
Mon 30<sup>th</sup> – Assembly  
Mon 30<sup>th</sup> – Community Meeting  
@CSS \*\* Please read below\*\*  
Tues 31<sup>st</sup> – Basketball Home Game

Jan 9<sup>th</sup> to Feb 17<sup>th</sup> – Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) for grades 4 and 7

Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> – Unplug and Play

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> to Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> – Registration for School of Choice

### February...

Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> – Blue River Cross-Country Ski Meet

Feb 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Registration

## VIRTUE OF THE MONTH:

**January – Fairness**

**February – Trustworthiness**

Did you know that our school agenda features these virtues? There’s lots of great reading!







