



# Pangman School

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**Come see new library at Open House Dec. 20 & 21**

**December 2012**

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Saturday, December 1

**Panther Pride Day & Daycare Hot Lunch**  
Friday, December 7

**SRC Hot Lunch**  
Wednesday, December 12

**Disney Day**  
Friday, December 14

**Christmas Character Day**  
Friday, December 21

**Open House**  
December 20 & 21



Our library is a hive of activity especially on Mentorship Day!  
Students can search for books from home at [www.cornerstonesd.ca](http://www.cornerstonesd.ca)  
Click on For Students/Library 4U/Pangman School  
Search by author, title, or subject

## **Classroom Blog**

A blog is an online web journal. Miss Quigley's Classroom blog can be accessed at <http://missquigleysclassroom.wordpress.com/>  
There are pictures, links to videos and information about what has been going on in the classroom and reminders of upcoming events. Viewers have the opportunity to comment on posts and subscribe for new posts to be sent directly to their email address.



## **Message from the Principal**

Thank you to all parents who attended the three-way conferences this week. Parent involvement in a child's education plays a key role in success. I ask all parents to take an active role by talking about the school day with your child, ensuring homework is completed, checking and using your child's agenda to communicate with the school and most importantly, making school attendance a priority. These actions will enhance the school experience for your child and aid Pangman School in creating a quality education for our students.

We are pleased to announce that we will be hosting an Open House in conjunction with our Christmas Concert and Community Christmas celebration on December 20 and 21. We wish to not only show off our talented students but also feature our extensive renovations. We are proud of our new facilities and look forward to sharing them with our stakeholders. It is our sincere wish that you may be able to join us as we celebrate Christmas, our community and our school.

I ask all Pangman School stakeholders to be active participants in the education process. We encourage all parents and community members to visit and contact the school with any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Laury Ryan



**Christmas Concert & Open House**

**Thursday, Dec. 20**

**7:00 PM**

**School Gym**

**Everyone Welcome**

"Success and achievement for every student"

## Students of the Month

**Congratulations to our  
Students of the Month**

**For November:**

**K-2 :**

**Gr. 3-5:**

**Gr. 6-8:**

**Gr. 9-10:**

**Gr. 11-12:**



## Pangman Student Mentorship

The Pangman mentorship program continues to be an important part of our school community. The list of our younger students requesting a "big brother or big sister" has exceeded the number of our volunteer mentors. The teams take part in gym or outdoor activities, board games, crafts or buddy reading. Tuesday, December 11 will be the Mentor Christmas celebration with pizza supplied by the food studies class! Mentor activities will resume on January 10. Mr. Mark Penny, our Student Services Counsellor encourages all students to join the program and get involved. "I love Thursdays," says \_\_\_\_\_, "because \_\_\_\_\_ is my mentor. "



Mrs. Myren's class reciting "In Flanders Fields" at our Remembrance Day Service



**Weyburn Red Wings**  
Shain Scheschuk, Miguel Pereira, Ryan Ostertag & Cody Fiala visited Nov. 5. Our students honed their hockey skills.



Dear \_\_\_\_\_,  
What motivates you to be a leader at our school?  
Yours truly, *Sparky*



Dear *Sparky*,  
Before I moved here, I was just another kid in a big school. I used to do enough just to get by, but now I really try hard. I like that the little kids seem to look up to me. I want to be remembered as "that guy".



Congratulations to Pangman Jr. Volleyball team for winning Radville tournament Nov. 2

## HomeLogic Introduced

Pangman School is very pleased to announce that HomeLogic will be open to all parents/guardians and students as of November 2012. HomeLogic provides the opportunity for parents/guardians, as well as students, to stay up-to-date with student achievement through a secure web-based portal. Achievement marks for all subjects in Grades 10 – 12, and math and other assorted subjects in Grades 1 – 9 will be available in addition to student attendance, student schedules, unofficial transcripts, assignments, and other class and school events posted by the classroom teacher. A single sign-on for parents and guardians provides access for multiple children in a family, and an automated email notification alert feature improves communication between home and school.

South East Cornerstone believes that the reporting of assessment is vital to the critical partnership between home and school. Communication between teachers and parents and guardians concerning student progress must always remain open and be an ongoing process. While periodic report cards are one way of transmitting information about student progress to parents and guardians, we believe that more frequent sharing of information strengthens the essential association between home and school.

## Pangman School joins Think Recycle Program

Please recycle the following items by turning them into the Think Recycle box at Pangman School. The program pays for all shipping charges and will pay us for each item we recycle. The amount of payment for each item varies from \$0.50 - \$30.00.



Cell Phones



Inkjet Cartridges



Toner Cartridges  
and Laser Drum Units



Cameras and



Laptops

## **Did You Know.....?**

- that thanks to your support of our magazine fundraiser, the SRC raised \$1,280 which went towards new screen and projector in the gym.
- that you can apply for up to \$750 through KidSport and Creative Kids to support your child's recreation & cultural activities.
- that you are welcome to join adult volleyball which meets at our gym every Wed. @ 7 PM.
- that swimming pool received \$6,017 grant for new filters.



Miss Quigley's K-2 class was featured on the front cover of the "Rural Councillor" magazine (published by the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities) along with an article by Elwood White about rural schools.

## Pangman School Pilots Breakfast Club

The School Community Council and Pangman School are piloting a Breakfast Club for its students. Why should a school or a community group invest time and resources to offer a meal that has traditionally been part of the family sphere? Simply, we believe that the education performance of our students can be enhanced by implementing the program.

School breakfast programs are not intended as a replacement for morning family time. They can however, become a great option for students. For instance, school children may experience one or more of the following situations:

- Students do not take the time or receive food at home;
- Students leave home too early for breakfast because of the long travel time to get to school;
- Students can find schoolwork difficult and can benefit from interactions with school staff in an informal environment;
- Students need support interacting with their peers and those in other age groups;
- Students need an opportunity to learn a new skill or take on a role of responsibility (if the breakfast program provides such additional opportunities).

A simple breakfast will be offered to our students each school day from 8:30-9:00 AM. Toast, cereal and fruit will be made available. Breakfast Club will use school staff and community volunteers to socialize and supervise the students during this time. A review of the need, use and cost will be undertaken in January by the School Community Council to determine if the Breakfast Club is a program that will operate for the rest of the school year.



**A HUGE thanks to all who attended Community Fall Supper Nov. 16 at which \$1,657 was raised for Sidewalk Project along east side of our school.**



**Mrs. Warren's Food Studies 30 class in our kitchen learning food preparation having studied the importance of dairy products in the daily diet**



**Miss Cannon's Gr. 6-8 Science class exploring electrical circuits and conductors**

# December 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
						Christmas Bazaar 10 - 4
2	3 DAY 2	4 DAY 3	5 DAY 4	6 DAY 5	7 DAY 6	8
		KINDERGARTEN  Happy Birthday Joseph Happy Birthday Luis		KINDERGARTEN  Mentorship – Reading Buddies NO LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES	Gr. 1-2 Care Home  Panther Pride Day Day Care Hot Lunch	
9	10 DAY 1	11 DAY 2	12 DAY 3	13 DAY 4	14 DAY 5	15
	Happy Birthday Carlos	KINDERGARTEN Mentor Celebration - Pizza Lunch for all students	KINDERGARTEN SRC Hot Lunch		K-2 Library Visit KINDERGARTEN Disney Day Happy Birthday Janayah	Happy Birthday Ocean
16	17 DAY 6	18 DAY 1	19 DAY 2	20 DAY 3	21 DAY 4	22
		KINDERGARTEN		KINDERGARTEN  Christmas Concert & Open House 7 pm	Happy Birthday Nikita Christmas Character Day Community Christmas Sleigh rides/outdoor activities/lunch/ movie/gym activities 10:50-1:30 Early Dismissal 2:10	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ----- 31 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY		CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	Happy Birthday Jackson CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	

School starts Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013



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## **EARLY DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT (EDI)**

The Early Development Instrument is given to Kindergarten students and measures their readiness for school. It consists of five domains: Physical Health and Well-being, Social Competence, Emotional Maturity, Language and Cognitive Development, and Communication Skills and General Development. Here are some activities in each of the five domains to improve your child's readiness for Kindergarten.

### **Physical Health and Well-Being**

- Walk up and down stairs using alternate feet.
- Throw, catch and kick a ball.
- Balance on one foot.
- Walk like different animals.
- Draw stick people. Set up an art area with low table, paper and lots of chunky crayons.
- Hold a pencil correctly.
- Cut with scissors.

### **Social Competence and Emotional Maturity**

- Ask your child to help with an everyday task.
- Put away their toys.
- Follow one and two-step directions.
- Play with other children.
- Show empathy for others by helping a friend when he is hurt.
- Comfort your child when they are afraid and let them know you are there for them.
- Allow your child to dress themselves independently.

### **Language and Cognitive Development and Communication Skills and General Knowledge**

- Provide opportunities for them to be around other children. Talk about what is happening throughout the day using the words now, soon and later.
- Allow your child to turn the page when you read together. Have books available for them to access.
- During play, talk about what they are doing and ask questions to extend the conversation.
- Go on a nature walk or to a museum and talk about what they are seeing.