

Band Parent's Meeting
Monday, November 17, 2008
7 pm – 8 pm

MEETING NOTES

1. **Grade 9 Band Camp** – 25 kids attended along with a number of senior kids to assist. The camp went well and they played well in the concert. Some concern regarding their level of interest in extracurricular activities.
2. **Halloween** – concert was excellent and the new format was appreciated by parents.
3. **Remembrance Day** – played well at assembly. Respectful of the day.
4. **Senior Band Camp** – 56 out of 78 students have signed up to go. Enough volunteers have agreed to attend. More information coming.
5. **Sun Peaks Trip** – just have enough kids signed up (25). Hoping to get a few more. Price of bussing subsidized by band parents as numbers of kids attending lower than expected.
6. **Jazz Festival** – December 8 at the Rocky View School Division head office in Airdrie. Parents are welcome to attend. Smaller number of bands attending this year.
7. **Community Winter Festival December 13 (3 – 4 pm)** – Jazz Band and choir will be performing at the Recreation Complex.
8. **Christmas Musical December 15 – 17** – “A Nightmare Before Christmas”. 65 kids are involved in this production and have been working very hard.
9. **Christmas Concert December 18** – we will do 50/50 tickets, bake sale, chocolate bars. Lael will send letter home regarding bake sale items. Joanne, Marie, Darrell, Peggy to help out at the table.
10. **Big Band Dance February 12** – Dessert bar again and looking for volunteers to help organize this. More to come.
11. **Senior Band Trip to Vancouver** – good from students. A number of volunteers have agreed to attend. Price is set at \$540.00. Package coming soon.
12. **Fundraising** – lots of opportunities for kids to make some money. Going well.
 - Purdy's chocolate sales and magazine sales done.
 - Party-lite out.
 - Flames training dates will be posted. If students are interested they are to contact Alana. The information is posted on the web.
 - Boxed chocolates will be coming too.
 - Town of Chestermere looking at building greenhouses to start all bedding out plants for town property (versus buying plants). In order to support community programs are considering growing things like poinsettia's for community programs to sell for fundraising initiative.

13. Other – Plan to purchase 8 larger band stands for the front row of the Jazz Band. Paul will take to Parent Council for funding.

- Paul is making a DVD of last year's London trip including music performed by the band. Potential to sell them as a fundraiser.
- New band room to open for 2nd semester.
- **all Band Parents information, meeting notes, pictures, schedule can be found at <http://www.chsbandparents.com>**
- **if you're interested in receiving the minutes of the meetings via email please contact [peggy.riches @albertahealthservices.ca](mailto:peggy.riches@albertahealthservices.ca)**

Meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Monday of the month.

Next Meeting: December 8