Seasons Greetings Le Phare Families,

We hope all of you are doing well. **December** is here and **holiday spirits** are high. **Happy Hanukkah!**

School Council has some super fun updates to share with you.

1) FREE Virtual Yoga Night:

Yes, you read it right! Keeping up our community spirit, we're planning a free virtual yoga night for Le Phare families on **Thurs Dec 9, 2021**. Join us for a fun evening event of stretching, moving, and probably giggling our way through gentle yoga poses.

Tori from **KV Dance Studio** will guide us through an online session of basic yoga postures, breath work and relaxation techniques that can help the whole family unplug and reconnect. No previous experience with yoga is required.

Choose the session that works for you!

Session 1: 5:00-5:45pm or Session 2: 6:00-6:45pm

Register by filling in this form: https://forms.gle/pGNiuHTxR137PPZo8

Brought to you free of charge by Le Phare School Council and your generous support for our fundraising. (Not to mention the incredible efforts of Victoria on Council!)

2) Community Toy Drive:

We're running a toy drive from Mon Dec 6 to Fri Dec 10 to support the community.

You can send a **new, unwrapped toy** with your child to school, and drop it off in the outdoor bin at **8:15** am or **3:00** pm outside the school. School Council will deliver the toys to **Fire Station 51** on Montreal Road. Toy pickups can also be arranged if needed!

Why the Fire Station? Due to Covid-19, the <u>Ottawa Professional Firefighters</u>
<u>Association's</u> **Help Santa Toy Parade** and the **Orleans Parade of Lights** is not able to operate as it normally would. These 2 parades not only bring joy to the community but they also support Toy Mountain, which provides toys to families each year to ensure all children can open a gift on Christmas morning.

3) Supporting Le Phare families

In addition to helping us all stay in touch, School Council supports students. Continuing last year's tradition, Council will provide holiday gift card "hampers" for neighbourhood families.

This is the second year we haven't been able to host events to raise funding. But when the world gives us lemons, we make lemonade. One way to support Le Phare families, if you are able, is by donating to <u>our Community Fund</u> on our Auctria donations website.

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4) Family Pizza Night (virtual):

In the New Year of 2022, we are planning a **Family Pizza Night** to build our community spirit. We'll have virtual entertainment, ways to support our school, and of course options for take-out or at-home **pizza**. More details to follow!

And don't forget to stay in touch!

More than ever, please stay in touch with us, and with each other. We miss you. <u>Tweet</u> us anytime. Our next virtual Council meeting is **January 18th**, **2022** at **7pm**. Or email us to join our "**Friends of Council**" email list for info, or check our website.

We wish you a cozy and restful holiday break. Stay safe!

Your festive friends, Le Phare School Council

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