

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Reporting to Public Session Monday, December 12, 2016

1. Gilmore Community School Presents “The Lights of Jingle Bell Hill”

Gilmore Community School has become known for their annual winter musical since Mr. Ryan Phelps joined the staff as music teacher 3 years ago. These productions engage students in every aspect of the performance from rehearsing dramatic scenes to creating back drops, special effects, and of course singing the songs from the musical. It takes a village to raise an elementary school musical and the staff of Gilmore Community School and Principal Dennis Taylor provide assistance and support throughout the entire process.

This evening a group of 17 students in the intermediate grades will be sharing two scenes and two songs from their upcoming concert “The Lights of Jingle Bell Hill” by John Jacobson and Mac Huff.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

2. Burnaby Mountain Secondary Chamber Choir

Burnaby Mountain Secondary School Chamber Choir is comprised of 28 like-minded, grade 9-12 students who strive to achieve a high level of technical proficiency and musical excellence. The Chamber Choir, under the direction of music teacher Ms. Deanna Gestrin, came together in 2014 and has become one of the top performing ensembles at Burnaby Mountain. They recently received a Gold medal standing at the Vancouver Kiwanis Music Festival, as well as an invitation to participate in Music Fest Canada.

The Burnaby Mountain Secondary Chamber Choir will be singing three songs this evening for your listening enjoyment.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.