

Celebrate with the City at Cookies, Carols and More!

Get ready for a magical afternoon filled with holiday cheer at the City of Parksville's annual *Cookies, Carols and More!* event. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 7 from 2 to 4.30 pm** and gather your kids, families, friends, and neighbours to join in the festivities and fun at the Jensen Centre (132 Jensen Avenue East, Parksville).

Parksville Council is pleased to host this free event for a second year and look forward to seeing you there, spreading joy and holiday cheer! This event is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the season with your community, forge new friendships, and create lasting memories. Everyone welcome!

Here are some of the activities we have planned:

- **Live music and entertainment:** Delight in the music of Easy Street Duo and local song leader, Sylvia Humble, for a carol singalong.
- **Crafts and games for kids and parents:** Unleash your creativity with an array of holiday-themed crafts. Kids and parents can collaborate to create beautiful decorations, charming ornaments and other delightful projects to take home and treasure. We've added some fun games to keep little ones entertained.
- **Visit from Santa:** Santa Claus himself will make a special appearance! Bring your cameras for a magical photo opportunity with Santa and share your wish lists with the jolly old man. We will have everything needed to write a letter to Santa, mailed just in time.
- **Christmas cookies and hot chocolate bar:** Savour a delectable assortment of cookies and warm up with a cup of hot chocolate from our hot chocolate bar, customized with marshmallows, whipped cream and other scrumptious toppings.
- **Facepainting:** Add a touch of festive flair with holiday-themed facepainting. Whether you want to transform into a reindeer, a sparkling snowflake, or a twinkling Christmas tree, our talented face painters will bring your holiday spirit to life.

We look forward to welcoming you to *Cookies, Carols and More!* on December 7. Should you wish, donations of non-perishable items will be accepted for the Salvation Army foodbank. Everyone is welcome at this free holiday event.

After November 20, the **North Pole mailbox** will be at 100 Jensen Avenue East ready to collect letters for Santa. Once again, kids can bring letters or write one here, envelopes ready and no postage necessary!

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home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.*