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FAMILY BENEFIT DANCE FUNDRAISER

The Chase & District Chamber of Commerce is hosting a benefit dinner for the families of:



Shiela Ignace and Mike Evenson

Saturday, December 13th, 2014 at 6 pm
at Chase Community Hall

Appetizers & Light Refreshments

Admission by donation

“Family” Dance – Silent Auction

Music by Geoff Morris

THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to the PAC, the Hot Dog Grannies, all of the parent volunteers, and to the noon hour supervisors for making Haldane such a great place to be! We really appreciate your hard work and dedication to the school and community.

Book Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who attended, and helped out with this year's Book Fair! We surpassed our goal of \$4,800 this year, with a grand total of \$5,397.53! This means \$3,238.52 in books and reading material for our school library & classrooms - YAY!!!

Christmas Food Hampers/Bannock Day

Once again the Christmas Food Hamper boxes are ready for filling! This Thursday we will be accepting a non-perishable food item or \$1 for the Bannock Sale.

Gingerbread House Raffle!

Win a beautifully decorated Gingerbread house! Ms. McCrea's class will be selling raffle tickets. Tickets are 50¢ for 3 and can be purchased from your classroom teacher. A BIG thank-you to Mrs. Ingrid Jackson for making the Gingerbread house, it is beautiful! Check it out ... it's in the trophy case in the main hallway. Good luck to all those who enter! Proceeds will be donated to family in the community that could use some support.

Recognition Assembly

Report cards were sent home last Thursday and this Friday, December 12th we will be holding an assembly at 1:00 pm to acknowledge Honour Roll, Effort Roll and Perfect Attendance.

Christmas Concert

The schedule for this year's concert is now set. Because of the large number of students at our school and limited seating in our gym, we would like to extend an invitation to the families and friends of: students whose last names start with the letters A-K for Wednesday, December 17th @ 1:15 and those students whose last names begin with the letters L-Z for Thursday, December 18th @ 1:15.

Please bring a non-perishable item to donate to the Food Hampers on your way in.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT PORTRAIT SESSION with Megan Milligan Photography!!!

Haldane PAC is excited to announce that we will be holding a portrait session fundraiser, taking place immediately after the Christmas concert on Wednesday & Thursday.

This session is open to all that would like to take advantage: parents, guardians, grandparents, siblings, and more... Anyone who would like to take 5 minutes to pose while everyone is all dressed up!

We will have sign up sheets posted at the gym doors on your way into the concert. Photographs will be taken from 2:30-4:00. Spots will fill up fast, and will be on a first come first serve basis, so please make sure to sign a slot on your way into the concert!

Portrait proofs will be emailed out by January 12th, and you can decide at that time if you would like to purchase. 60% of all proceeds will go to Haldane PAC.

Thank you for your support and Happy Holidays from Haldane PAC!

Christmas Card Sale

Students in Mrs. Strom and Mrs. Waterston's class will be making Christmas/Greetings cards as a fundraiser for their year end trip. These cards are hand painted or drawn by students and will be sold for \$2 per card or sold in packages. Packages include: 6 cards for \$10 or 10 cards for \$18. Sales will begin December 1st to the 19th. You can contact Mrs. Waterston or Mrs. Strom for viewing or purchases. Thank you for supporting our classes!

Basketball Coaches Needed:

With the end of the volleyball season, it's time to start thinking about basketball. We are looking for coaches for our basketball teams. The season will begin mid-January and end by the first week of March. Teams will be able to begin practising on the first week in January. Please contact Mr. Orr at the school or email him if you are able to help.

Cold Weather News:

Please send indoor shoes and cold weather clothing with your children. Winter coats, hats, mitts, snow pants and boots are appropriate for winter weather. Don't forget to label all clothing with your child's name; it helps us return it to them when lost. We take off our winter boots at the door to help keep the floors dry.



Students are expected to be outside for recess and lunch. If the temperature dips below -10° C we generally move to inside days. The school doors open at 8:20 am, and please remember that students are not supervised outside before this time.

Has your child come home with only one boot?

What about one mitt, one runner, or no coat? We might just have the other item in our **lost and found bins**. They are growing again...with many, many items. Please take some time to check the bins out. (And, labelling your child's clothing will help us to return the item to him/her.)

Milk Program

The fall Milk Program ended on December 4th. Look for new forms coming out in January.

Green Kids

Wow! What an exciting month we had in November and up to December 5th. Green Kids were busy, busy, busy getting decorations made for their float which we put in the Chase Christmas Parade. A huge congratulations to them for their efforts as the Haldane Green Kids took 3rd place for the Best youth! Way to go!! Thank You to the parents who helped put it all together with us. You deserve a dozen bouquets of roses! Also a big Thank You to Mr. And Mrs. Peter Murray for the use of their wagon. And last but not least, Thank You to Mrs. Briscoe for being our driver! It all came together in the end and the kids were happy and that's all that counts. Over the holiday season, remember we are still collecting used batteries, eyeglasses, stamps, inkjets, Campbell soup labels so please keep bringing them in for us! From our house to yours, have a Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy 2015! See you next year!

National Aboriginal Addiction Awareness Week

The winners of the Aboriginal Addiction Awareness Week Poster Contest were (Gr 5-7) Taylor Danyluk, Taylor Bochek, Kylie Danyluk; (up to Gr 4) Mykala Danyluk.



BOARD

NOTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION – INAUGURAL MEETING ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Please be advised that the Board of Education conducted its Inaugural Board Meeting and election of Board Officers on Monday, December 8, 2014. The newly elected Board Officers are as follows:

- Denise Harper
Chairperson
- Meghan Wade
Vice-Chairperson
- Kathleen Karpuk
Board Representative to BC School Trustees Association
- Mr. Gerald Watson
Board Representative to BC Public School Employers Association

Dates to Remember

Dec. 11	Bannock Day
Dec. 12	Recognition assembly – 1:00 pm
Dec. 17	Concert #1 – 1:15 pm
Dec. 18	Concert #2 – 1:15 pm
Dec. 19	Last day before Winter Break
Dec. 22-Jan. 4	Winter Break
Jan. 5	School reopens
Feb. 9	Family Day
Feb. 19	Early Closure for Parent/Teacher Interviews
Feb. 20	Non Instructional Day
Mar. 12	Early Closure for Parent/Teacher Interviews
Mar. 13	Last day before Spring Break
Mar. 16-27	Spring Break
Mar. 30	School reopens
Apr. 3	Good Friday
Apr. 6	Easter Monday
Apr. 20	Non Instructional Day
May 11	Non Instructional Day
May 18	Victoria Day
June 25	Last day of school

*Wishing all of our staff, students, and their families
a Merry Christmas and a holiday filled with special
memories.*

Mr. Orr, Mr. McVittie, Mrs. Hoogstins and Staff

