



HALDANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Over the next few months we will continue to challenge our students to develop their academic skills and understanding of many new concepts that will build on prior knowledge. For each student to reach their potential, it is essential that they develop good work habits, organizational skills, and that they come to school each day with a positive attitude. Students should be at their desks and ready to start the day before 8:30 am each day. Thank you to each and every family for your support in ensuring that your child comes to school prepared to learn and to do their best. Please remember that we want to work with you, so if there are questions or concerns you have about your child and how they are progressing at school, whether it is academically or socially, please do not hesitate to call and make an appointment with the teacher. Keep in mind as well, that most concerns should first be brought to the teacher before they go to the office, especially when it comes to classroom issues. This is good, respectful protocol, and it is beneficial when it comes to keeping the relationship between the home and the school a good one.

Kindergarten

For parents wishing to register children in regular Kindergarten classes at their neighbourhood school, registration will take place

March 2 to 6, 2015

9:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

To be eligible for attendance in Kindergarten in September 2015, a student must be five years of age by December 31, 2015. ***Please bring your child's original birth certificate, Care Card and proof of residency with you when registering for Kindergarten.***

To expedite the registration process for your child for the 2015/16 school year, you may download and print the Enrollment Form (found on the district website www.sd73.bc.ca) and bring the completed form, required documents (original birth certificate, Care Card and proof of residency) to the enrolling school. If you are unable to print the form, forms are available at all schools and can be filled out at the school during the registration dates of March 2 to 6, 2015.

Progress Reports

Term 2 report cards will be going home on March 13th. There will be a Recognition Assembly April 10th.

You are invited to our 4th Annual Family Pot Luck Supported by: First Nations Department

April 16, 2015

Haldane Elementary School Gym

4:30 – 7:00 pm

RSVP by April 10, 2015

Please bring something to share with everyone.

There will be door prizes, games and entertainment. For more information please call Diana, Jeri or Nancy at the school 250-679-3269

Purdy's Fundraiser

You are invited to help support Haldane Elementary School's Fundraising Group by purchasing your Easter Chocolates through the Purdy's Easter Fundraising Program. Purchase your Easter gifts at retail prices and Haldane Elementary's Fundraising Group makes 25% profit on all purchases. Visit our facebook page for the link to login to Purdy's website and create an account. Cut-off for hard copy orders is March 13th and cut-off for on-line orders will be March 20th



ORDERS will be handed out March 31st

One-to-One Reading

A huge thank you to all the one to one volunteers from the students and staff at Haldane Elementary. These dedicated volunteers make this amazing program possible, by reading with students three times a week over several months. Thank you to the following volunteers for taking the time to make a difference in a students' life, they are our future. Denise Harper, Tracy Gamble, Marna McLaren, Barb Paquette, Eileen Boscher, Cindy Winiewski, Jacquie Low, Alice McDougall, Jean Lorenz, Bruce Nelson, Debbie Kalinin, Shirley Turner, Bonnie Olsen.

PAC NEWS

A big thank you to Preethi and Nirmal for presenting a successful Food Workshop to our Grade 7 classes! There were lots of smiling faces and satisfied bellies! Thanks to all of those that supported our Papa Murphy Pizza Fundraiser. We would love to hear your feedback to know if this is something we should offer again in the future. Our next meeting is March 10th at 8:30 am. Our main topic will be fundraising. Please join us and share your ideas. If you can't make it, you can email your ideas to us.

Student Drop-Off

Once again parent are reminded to use the designated drop-off area when dropping off students. Cottonwood Ave. Is the designated for drop-off. Please do not use the parking lot or the bus loop as these become a safety hazard as students are walking to their entrance.

Bike, Scooter and other Fun Things

Many of our students make their way to and from school using wheeled forms of transportation. A reminder that students are expected to use and store their bikes and scooters appropriately. These items are not to used on the the school grounds between 8:00am and 4:00pm for safety reasons.

Students should push or carry these items once they enter the school grounds.

Running Shoes and Small sweat pants

If you have any kids size running shoes and small size (K-3) sweatpants you would like to donate to the school, we could use them from time-to-time for students at the school. Thank you.

Spring Break

Reminder that Spring Break is from March 14th to 29st, students will be back to school on Monday, March 30th. Hope everyone has a great break!

STAYING HEALTHY

IS YOUR CHILD TOO SICK TO GO TO SCHOOL? Keep children at home if they have ...

- a fever of 38°C (100°F) or more – and then keep them home for 24 hours after the fever is gone
- vomiting or diarrhea – and then keep them home for at least 24 hours after the last episode
- a severe sore throat – particularly if you can see white or red spots at the back of the throat or if your child also has a fever
- rashes of unknown origin – these may be contagious
- a deep, hacking cough – along with a runny nose and headache
- untreated infections of the eye, ear or skin – watch for symptoms such as redness, swelling, or discharge
- different behaviour from normal (acting unwell)
- little energy to participate in school activities

Talk with your family doctor or public health nurse if you have concerns.

More information can be found at
<http://www.interiorhealth.ca/YourHealth/SchoolHealth/>

Spring Ahead

Don't forget to move your clocks ahead
1 hour on Sunday, March 8th



Chase Fun Soccer



Chase Fun Soccer League registration is open. Deadline is March 14, 2015. For kids ages 2-12 (non-competitive) Pick up a registration form at the school for details. For more information please contact Heather @ 250-319-3567 or chcoates@telus.net

Chase Minor Baseball Registration

Chase Minor Baseball registrations were sent home!! Forms can be dropped off at the school office. The season runs mid April through to the end of June. Children born 2000 - 2010 are encouraged to register. For more information contact chaseminorbaseball@hotmail.ca



Board Notes

From the Board Meeting of: February 16, 2015

1. The Board enjoyed a presentation on the RCMP Youth Academy from District Principal Lindquist, who was accompanied by a student who participated in the Academy last year.
2. The Board received confirmation that the 2nd Annual Day of Sucwentwecw is scheduled for April 7, 2015.
3. The Board approved an application by the Secondary District Athletic Council for a joint sponsorship of a rugby sports program by Barriere and Clearwater Secondary Schools.
4. The Board received an update from Superintendent deBruijn on the NorKam Trades and Technology Program start-up.
5. The Board approved the Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for 2014-2015.
6. The next regular public Board Meeting will occur on Monday, March 9, 2015 at the School Board Office.

Dates to Remember

Mar. 3	PAC Parfait recess
Mar. 10	PAC Meeting 8:30 am
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. 7	Day of Sucwentwecw
Apr.16	Family Pot Luck
Apr. 20	Non Instructional Day
Apr. 22	Earth Day
May 11	Non Instructional Day
May 18	Victoria Day
June 25	Last day of school

