



HALDANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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February 2017

February 13	Family Day (no school)
February 24	District Non-Instructional Day
February 20	Will Stroet Band cultural Performance -1:30
February 22	Flash Mob at Detachment - 11:00
March 8 & 9	Early Dismissal for Parent/Teacher Interviews
March 17	Last day before spring break
April 3	First day of school after spring break
April 14	Good Friday (no school)
April 17	Easter Monday (no school)
April 24	District Non-Instructional Day
May 15	District Non-Instructional Day
May 22	Victoria Day (no school)
June 29	Last day of school

Kindergarten

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

February 14 to 17, 2017

9:00 am to 12:45 pm and 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

To be eligible for Kindergarten in September 2017, a student must be five years of age by December 31, 2017.

Please bring your child's original birth certificate, Care Card and proof of BC residency with you when registering for Kindergarten.

You may download and print the Enrolment 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 school. Please keep in mind the form **must** be printed on **legal size** paper. 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 February 14 to 17, 2017.

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 8:40 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.

Progress Reports

Term 2 report cards will be going home on Thursday, March 16.

Safe Arrival Program

To report your child's absence please call this toll free number **before 8:40am** 1-844-350-2647 or visit ktsd.schoolconnects.com Future absences can also be called in to this number.

Contact Information

Please ensure parent/emergency contact info is up to date for your student(s). Should something happen, we need to get a hold of parents/family members as quickly as possible.

Explorations:

Explorations is a time when once per week students enjoy learning that is different than what typically occurs in the classroom. From dancing and drumming to coding and woodwork, students enjoy the experience. If you skills you would like to share with children, please contact the office.

Blazer Ticket Draw

Congratulations to the following students who won tickets for their families to enjoy a Blazer's Hockey Game in January:

- Garritt
- Izzy
- Mykala
- Adam
- Dorian
- Cole
- Dehesa
- Ray

Boots off, please!

We are trying very hard to keep our hallways dry and clean. We ask that everyone who enters the building take off their outdoor footwear to help us achieve our goal. Thank you!

Visitor Sign In

Please remember that everyone entering the school needs to sign in and out at the front desk. There is a blue binder labelled Sign In Sheet on the front counter.

Basketball

Thank you to Mrs. Mindel and Ms. Antoine for coaching the girls and boys basketball teams. Games have started and they are doing well.

Spring Break

Reminder that Spring Break is from March 20th to March 31st, students will be back to school on Monday, April 3rd.

Anti- Bullying Day

The definition of bullying is ongoing, targeted behaviour towards another for the purpose of intimidation or harm. There are different types of bullying including cyber, physical, verbal and social. We have addressed these issues as a school and are continuing to learn about how to report bullying.

We are excited to announce that we will be doing a PINK FLASH MOB in recognition of anti-bullying. We are asking for \$3.00 per student to help cover the cost of pink T-shirts. Please join us to watch the event at 11:00, Feb. 22 at the Chase RCMP detachment.

Keep Children at home if they have:

- A fever of 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 a day after the last episode
- A 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
- 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
- Head lice - until initial treatment
- A deep, hacking cough - along with a runny nose and headache

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

STARS / WITS

We are working on our STARS and WITS behaviour. As a school, we have earned 895 STAR tickets towards our goal of 1500. This positive behaviour reinforcement helps students learn what the expected behaviours are and how to achieve them. We are working towards an afternoon of Den groups and activities for the school!

Safety Teamwork Acceptance Respect/Responsibility Success

Walk away Ignore Talk it out Seek help

Please talk to your child about what this is and how you could use it at home.



Board Notes

From the Board Meeting of: December 12, 2016

1. The Board approved the Consent Agenda which contained the following reports/information:
 - a. Adoption of Regular Public Board Minutes of November 21, 2016;
 - b. Revised Implementation Schedule of the Graduation Years; Naloxone Guidelines;
 - c. District Parent Advisory Council Report;
 - d. Parks and Recreation Committee Report.
2. The Board received a beautiful Strings presentation, introduced by Principal Griffith.
3. The Board approved two Out-of-Province Field Trip Requests from Westsyde Secondary School and NorKam Senior Secondary School.
4. The Board approved an Out-of-Province Field Trip Request from the International Student Program.
5. The Board received a presentation from Manager Pinette on the *Discover the World of Information Technology* conference.
6. The Board received information on the Kindergarten enrolment schedule for 2017/2018 from Director Smillie.
7. The Board received the School Completion Report, presented by District Principal Brar and Teacher Mr. Lowe.
8. The Board approved the Creativity, Innovation and Curriculum Grants presented by Director Robinson.
9. The Board adopted a revised Board Meeting schedule for 2016-2017.
10. The Board approved revisions to Policy 600.1 Code of Conduct and Policy 612.1 Student Dress Code.

The next regular Board Meeting will occur on Monday January 16, 2017 at the Henry Grube Education Centre, 245 Kitchener Crescent, Kamloops, BC.