



## HALDANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## March 2018

### Easter Fundraiser

We are fundraising with Purdys Chocolatier, just in time for Easter! This fundraiser is intended to raise money which will go directly back to classrooms for extra curricular teaching supplies.

### If you'd like to order online:

1. Please go to <https://www.purdysgpp.com/243059>
  2. Login using customer number 30518
  3. Click "Join Campaign"
  4. Invite friends and family to help
- ~ We will also accept paper orders at the office ~

**Deadline for orders will be March 14th & Pick up at Haldane will be March 28th**

### The Reset Room

At times, students lose the privilege of being able to play outside during lunch hour due to infractions to the Code of Conduct or unwillingness to demonstrate expected behaviours. The Reset Room, located in the library, is supervised by two teachers from 12:20-12:50. While students are in this calm, quiet environment, they fill out Behavior Reflection Sheets and have a chance to take responsibility for their actions. Please see below:

### *Behaviour Reflections*

Reasons for My Behaviour		Consequences of My Behaviour	
How did it start?	Description of My Behaviour	How do I feel?	Other Consequences
What happened next?		How has my behaviour affected others?	
Where did it go wrong?			
<b>Taking Responsibility for My Actions: How will I fix it?</b> * Classroom Clean Up      * Supervise younger students in outdoor play * Garbage Pick Up        * Include someone new in appropriate play * Apology Letter or Card   * Make a poster showing expected behaviour * Create and teach a lesson for younger students   * Other: _____		Student: _____ Teacher: _____ Parent: _____	

### **Kindergarten registration is now open!**

To be eligible for attendance in Kindergarten this Fall, a student must be five years of age by December 31, 2018. Please bring your child's original birth certificate, Care Card and proof of residency with you when registering for Kindergarten.

### Day of Suwewtwew / Day of Recognition

On April 6th, Haldane and CSS will hold an assembly to honour and recognize the land and seasons (CONNECTIONS TO THE LAND) of the Secwepemc and Nlaka'Pamux peoples as well as other First Nations and Aboriginal groups at CSS. In the Kamloops Thompson School District this is part of what is now known as the "Day of Suwewtwew." Suwewtwew means to acknowledge one another.

### New Staff

As of April 3rd we are pleased to welcome Ms. Hall back from her maternity leave. She will be taking the place for Mrs. Mahon's grade 2/3 class. As the students and staff are sad to see Mrs. Mahon leave, we appreciate her time here and hope to see her again soon.

### Board Meeting February 19th, 2018

#### CONSENT AGENDA

- o Policy Committee Highlights
- o Education Committee of the Whole Highlights

*Details of the consent agenda can be found in the public agenda.*

#### EDUCATION TOPIC

PRESENTATION TO PRINCIPAL KENT BREWER — Principal Kent Brewer was recognized by the Board following his recent award as one of Canada's Outstanding Principals. The award came from The Learning Partnership, a national not-for-profit organization that works for the improvement of public education in Canada.

Kent is the principal of the Twin Rivers Education Centre, which provides alternative education services for adults and teens who need different ways to access education.

SECONDARY ATHLETIC COUNCIL — Sa-Hali Secondary School Principal Sean Lamoureux, chair of the Secondary Athletic Council, told the Board about the value of athletics in schools, noting sports touches a huge portion of the secondary school population across the District. Student Sydney Gould, a Grade 8 student athlete, told the Board she chose Sa-Hali Secondary because of the success of the school's sport programs and the quality of the coaches. Sports helped her to make new friends, learn how to work with others and overcome adversity. Athletics are so important and have the ability to impact the live of students in positive way, she said.

### 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 - 2013 are encouraged to register. For more information contact [meegekennedy@yahoo.com](mailto:meegekennedy@yahoo.com)

### Bikes & Scooters

As the weather warms up and the snow melts we will have many students make their way to and from school using wheeled forms of transportation. Students should push or carry these items once they enter the school grounds. If you do not have a lock for your scooter, you must make your own arrangements ahead of time for proper storage as we will no longer keep scooters in the office or book room.

### PAC Movie Night

On March 9th PAC will be hosting a movie night in the gym. The movie will be Harry and the Hendersons. Please watch for notices to come home soon...

### Calendar of Events

March 1st	Kindergarten Round Up (Henry Grube)
March 9th	PAC Meeting (8:45am)
March 9th	PAC Movie Night
March 15th	Bannock Day
March 19th-23rd	Spring Break
March 15th	Term 2 report cards to go home
March 29th	PAC's Mac n Cheese Day ( <i>bring your own bowl</i> )
March 30th	Good Friday - No School
April 2nd	Easter Monday - No School
April 6th	Day of Suwentwecw
April 12th	Young People's Concert
April 19th	Bannock Day Day
April 23rd	Pro-D Day
May 1st	Track & Field Meet
May 10th	Young People's Concert
May 18th	Pro-D Day

### REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

SAFER SCHOOLS TASK FORCE — Supt. Alison Sidow told the trustees about an initiative being launched to explore the difficult but important subject of sexual misconduct, violence and harassment in District schools. Recent events have led her to look closely at District policies and protocols. The Superintendent's Task Force on School Safety will look at policies and protocols governing the investigation and handling of these issues with the goal of ensuring the District's policies serve all parties, especially those who make complaints to the District. The task force will provide a report to the Superintendent and to the Board by June 30. "We have a duty to protect our children and we have a duty to stand by them, as a community," Sidow told the Board.

WESTMOUNT ELEMENTARY TRAFFIC UPDATE — The Board was told the District is working with the City of Kamloops to explore solutions to the long-standing issue of traffic congestion at Westmount Elementary School and its impact on student safety. A traffic engineer will conduct an independent study of the problem and propose possible solutions.

### REPORTS FROM SECRETARY-TREASURER

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL — The District has received several public complaints this year about snow and ice maintenance at schools. The Board was told that this year has proved to be exceptionally difficult for maintenance staff due to the many snowfalls and the frequent freeze-and-thaw cycles. Changes to improve District response to snowfall and ice removal would ultimately require changes to the budget, which could impact educational funding, the Board was told.

AMENDED ANNUAL BUDGET BYLAW 2017-18 — Trustees approved an amended annual budget bylaw that sets out the estimated revenues and expenses for the 2017-18 fiscal year. The total (balanced) budget for this year is \$176,129,253, the Board was told.

### MOTIONS

- o Policy 201.1 Board Committees
- o Policy 300.1 School Boundaries and Student Transfer Requests
- o Policy 303.1 International Student program
- o Policy 1136.1 Travel Expenses, Insurance and Cell Phones
- o Policy 1012.1 Smoking and Vaping Free Environment

Details of the notices of motion can be found in the public agenda.

*The next public meeting will take place at the School Board Office in Kamloops on March 12th at 7 p.m.*