

HALDANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Green Kids

HUGE THANK YOU to Mrs. Calvert for organizing Haldane's Annual Earth Day on April 20th..

All the students were busy going in all directions; yellow fish drain painting, shoreline cleanup, Shuswap Ave cleanup, nature hiking, flower planting and many other classroom activities.

Congratulations to Mrs. Brake's and Mr. McArthur's class on winning green donuts for collecting the most amount of pop can tabs. Good work!

Class Placement for 2018

We value your input and although we may not be able to meet everyone's request we will certainly take your concerns and requests seriously when we assign children to their new classes. We do not know which teachers will be assigned to the specific classes. Our staff will meet and go through a process that considers the following factors. This list is not in priority order:

- The learning style of the student
- The child's physical and social maturity
- The child's intellectual development
- The age of the student
- Behaviour issues and class dynamics
- The placement which will afford the child
- the greatest chance of success
- Parental requests
- The best interest of the school

Although the school will not consider requests for a specific teacher, we invite parents to provide us with information relating to your child. Please describe for us what you feel would be the best learning situation for your child. Please deliver this information to the office by May 25th.

Chase & District K'Fair

A great way to get your child ready for school! (for children entering Kindergarten in Sept. 2018)

- Fun and interactive health and wellness booths
- Dental and hearing screening
- Kindergarten entry booster shots
- FREE lunch for kindergarteners
- Fun zone with games, prizes and face painting
- Special guest appearances

When: Wednesday, June 12th 10:00am - 3:00 pm Where: Chase Community Hall. Please call 250-679-1393 to register.

<u>Family Potluck - Tuesday May 22nd, 2018</u> <u>4:30-7:00</u>

Haldane Elementary and The First Nations Department Welcomes You to Their 7th Annual Family Potluck.

Door Prizes, Secewpemec Bingo, Entertainment, Games, Inside the school's gym or outside (weather permitting). Please bring: A dish to share, a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided. Please RSVP to the school by May 11th.



**A reminder to everyone to please get your donations in for the classroom raffle baskets by Monday May 7th.

SOGI 1 2 3

SOGI 1 2 3 has launched new SOGI 1 2 3 Parent Videos that address questions about SOGI 1 2 3 and SOGI-inclusive education in schools. The videos are designed for parents and family members to view and learn about SOGI 1 2 3 in various grade-levels. The goal of the videos is to debunk some of the common misinformation in the media and to support parents in their understanding of SOGI-inclusive education. The SOGI 1 2 3 Parent Videos are available to view and download now on SOGIeducation.org/parents.

Track and Field

The school's track meet was held on May 1st. The Zone Track Meet will be held on May 10th. Participation will be determined by the students' placement in our School Track Meet events. Their effort, team spirit, and behaviour was excellent! Well Done!! A big thank you goes out to Mr. Brake for organizing these events for us, as well as other staff and all the parents who made it possible. Also a great big thanks to everyone who supported our PAC's concession that day!

SD 73 Board approves moving Grade 7s in Chase and Barriere to secondary schools for September 2018

KAMLOOPS — Starting in September 2018, Grade 7 students in Barriere and Chase will have classes in the secondary school instead of at the community elementary schools, SD 73 trustees decided Monday. The decision to move students was finalized at the public board meeting in Kamloops. The Board decided to proceed with the proposal in Barriere and Chase but not in Clearwater, where many people were opposed. For Clearwater, trustees voted to remain with the status quo, which means Grade 7s will stay in the elementary school. The votes followed an extensive period of consultation with parents, staff and students in all the communities that included public meetings and presentations, an online consultation portal as well as email and paper-based feedback options.

Calendar of Events

May 1st	Haldane Track & Field Meet
May 2nd	Young Artists Conference
May 4th	Young Authors Conference
May 8th	One to One Reading Year End Party 12:00-1:00
May 10th	Young People's Concert Zone Track & Field Meet
May 11th	Spring Fling - Family Fun Night
May 15th	Jump Rope For Heart
May 17th	Bannock Day
May 17th	District Track & Field Meet
May 18th	Pro-D Day
May 21st	Victoria Day - No School
May 22nd	Family Potluck
May 29th	Class Pictures
May 31st	Grade 6 Immunizations
June 7th	Grade 7 Sunnybrae Trip
June 14th	Babysitting Course
June 15th	Talent Show
June 21st	Bannock Day
June 22nd	Primary students to Wildlife Park
June 22nd	Intermediate students to Vernon Waterslides
June 28th	Last day of school

Welcome Back!

Staff and students are thrilled to welcome back Mrs. Mahon to our school. She will be taking over the role of Mrs. Briscoe beginning May 2nd.

Board Notes: April 9th, 2018

- *Finance and Planning Committee Highlights
- *Policy Committee Highlights
- *District Parent Advisory Council Highlights
- *Superintendent's Update

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

EDUCATION TOPIC -BUILDING SCHOOL CULTURE WITH OUR SCHOOL AND ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY

Haldane Elementary School Principal Katrina Sewell told trustees about her school's goals and the historic "stars based" matrix that had been used to measure and encourage participation and progress in regards to the goals. The Board heard that staff and students were given a chance to give their feedback about how to integrate the Goals into school culture and make them meaningful at Haldane. The work led to the creation of a "circle of courage" that better Reflects the school and student community while maintaining the integrity and vision of the school's Goals.

REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS -

DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY PLAN - Trustees were told the district will reform a technology committee to ensure SD 73's

technology plan, created in 2015, remains relevant and in alignment with the five - year strategic plan. As well, the committee will set the goals for the next iteration of the technology plan.

COMMUNICATING STUDENT LEARNINGThe Board learned about a plan to form a new committee to examine the issue of compliance with a Ministry of Education interim order issued in July 2016 regarding how to report and communicate student learning to parents. The local reporting policy was last updated in January 2013. The membership of the committee will consider a balance of urban, rural, elementary and secondary perspectives and will be comprised of members from the KTTA, the KTPVPA, senior District management, DPAC and the Aboriginal Education Council. The committee's work is expected to get underway this school year.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Trustees heard about the 19 SD 73 students who took part and graduated from the RCMP Youth Academy, which took place at Brock Middle School over the spring break. Of the 19 graduates, at least two indicated they intend to apply to and enlist in the RCMP as soon as possible after they graduate.