



## HALDANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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### Welcome to our new staff

Please help us welcome our new Grade 5 teacher, Mrs. Koopmans along with our new CEA's Mrs. D'Aoust and Mrs. Dergez.

### Parking Lot

Thank you to all for keeping your vehicles out of the parking lot. There is only enough space for staff. We appreciate you using the space provided on Cottonwood Ave for drop off and pick-up. Please do not use the bus loop as it creates a safety hazard for our students.

### Fall Weather

Remember that the weather is starting to change to cooler weather. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather as we encourage students to go outside for all breaks. All students should have outdoor shoes or boots to put on. A change of clothes is recommended for primary students as slides and grass are often wet resulting in students becoming damp and uncomfortable.

### Orange Shirt Day

September 29th was Orange Shirt Day to recognize survivors of Residential Schools. Our School was covered in Orange!

### Remembrance Day Assembly

To honour the men and women who fought to preserve the freedoms we enjoy today we will be holding our annual Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday, November 10th starting at 10:45 am. Students from the primary and intermediate classes will be presenting songs and poems. Parents and family members are welcome to attend.

### Reminders

- \*Appropriate school clothing at all times, warm jackets, shoes/socks, PE strip, runners, etc.
- \* Please ensure your child has breakfast and a packed lunch
- \* Ongoing communication with your child's teacher is critical
- \*All students are encouraged to stay on school grounds during lunch time. Only **grade 6 & 7** students will be permitted to leave the school grounds to go to Subway or Safety Mart to obtain a lunch but must have written permission from a parent or guardian. Notes must be given to the classroom teacher before they leave and sign out/in at the office.

### Young People's Concert

This year students in grades K-7 will participate in the Young People's Concerts program. Each student will be attending one performance at the Sagebrush Theatre in Kamloops over the course of the year. In addition, the school will be hosting concerts locally (in the school gym). We will be sending home more information soon. The cost of this program is \$15 per student and is included in the yearly school fees.

### Student Communication

We ask that families communicate after school plans and pick up times with your children before they come to school. We also like to have this information in the student planner for the teacher's information. Our office is very busy after 2:00pm and we can not guarantee your child will get messages if you call after this time.

### 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.

### Safe Arrival Program

All student absences and lates should be reported to our Safe Arrival number **BEFORE** 8:40am.

To report your child's absence please call this toll free number **before 8:30am** 1-844-350-2647 or visit [ktsd.schoolconnects.com](http://ktsd.schoolconnects.com)

### Digital Database Login Information

<u>Database</u>	<u>Username</u>	<u>Password</u>
EBSCO	haldane	bcsd73
Worldbook	haldane	bcsd73
KnowBC	haldane	bcsd73
Gale & National Geo	haldane	haldane73
CBC	haldane	bcsd73
MediaSmarts	haldane	besafeonline

Keep Children at home if they have:

- A fever of 100<sup>0</sup>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.

**Good Health Habits**

While sometimes unavoidable, no parent wants their child to miss school. Here are ways to help your children stay healthy:

- Teach them to wash their hands-the most important thing you can do to help stop the spread of germs. Children should scrub their hands with soap for 15 seconds and rinse for 15 seconds
- Give them their own utensils and water bottles
- Ensure they get at least nine to ten hours of sleep
- Teach them to cover their mouths and noses with tissues when they sneeze or cough and to wash their hands after they throw the tissues away
- Keep them up-to-date on their immunizations

**Dates To Remember**

October 9th	Thanksgiving (no school)
October 12	PAC Meeting (6pm)
October 19	Bannock Day
October 20	District Non-Instructional Day
October 26	Early Dismissal for Parent/Teacher Interviews (12:30)
October 31	Subway Day
November 2nd	Young People’s Concert
November 10	PAC Meeting (8:40am)
November 13	Remembrance Day (no school)
December 4	District Non-Instructional Day
Dec 23-January 8th	Winter Vacation

**PAC News**

Subway Lunch will be October 31st. Watch for forms coming home.

**-PAC Meetings**

Thursday October 12th 6:00pm  
Friday November 10th 8:40am

**-Scholastic Book Fair**

Our annual 'Scholastic Book Fair' will be held in November! Watch for more info coming home soon!!!

**Little Hawks Strong Start**

Little Hawks Strong Start invites you and your preschool aged child to attend our mornings of fun FREE educational activities! Little Hawks is a FREE, drop-in early learning program with a morning snack included for families and their children. We are located in classroom #3 at Haldane and operate 8:30 - 11:30. Little Hawks provides a school based early learning service for adults and their children, aged birth to five, at no cost. Both children and adults can benefit from attending - children have access to a high-quality learning environment and benefit from social interactions while adults who accompany them learn new ways to support learning, both at the program and at home. For more information contact Kary at [250-679-3296](tel:250-679-3296) or stop by with your child - the coffee is always on!!

Hey, 10-14yr olds!  
**TWEEN HANGOUT**



At the Chase Library

First Wednesday of the month  
2.50-3.50pm (after school)  
Grades 5-8  
Starts Oct.4th

Chat about what you’ve been reading, eat snacks, learn about the library -Drop-in, no registration  
Call the library at 250-679-3331 for more information