



HALDANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Two Week Spring Break



Day of Suwentwecw / Day of Recognition

In the Kamloops Thompson School District this is part of what is now known as the "Day of Suwentwecw." Suwentwecw means to acknowledge one another. Plans are underway and more information will come soon...

Rapid Antigen Tests

As per the [Ministry of Education's announcement on February 1, 2022](#), The Ministry of Education is supplying one box of 5 rapid antigen tests for every student enrolled in a school in the province. These are available to be picked up at the school office during regular business hours. These rapid antigen tests come with instructions for how to properly administer the test at home. The tests are simply a courtesy and may be used if your child(ren) are experiencing symptoms of illness. For more information on using rapid antigen tests please refer to the [BC Centre for Disease Control Rapid Testing at Home website](#).

Student Fees - Long Over Due

Families with outstanding student fees have been contacted **many** times throughout the year to make arrangements for outstanding student fees. If you have still not made a payment or set up a payment plan, please contact the office right away.

Hot Lunch Dates



Mark your calendars for the upcoming Hot Lunch Dates:

March 9th - Subway Day

<https://munchalunch.com/schools/Haldane/>

Thank you, PAC

Thank you to our wonderful PAC, who is always thinking of ways to bring meaningful reward to our students. Last month our staff and students were working on Acts of Kindness and our PAC paid for pizza for the entire school! Thank you so much for your kindness! It was enjoyed by all!

Spring is Coming

Students are doing a good job of coming prepared with winter boots and are doing their part to keep our classrooms and hallways dry and safe. As we transition into Spring, please start looking for your child's Winter weather items (boots, winter jackets, hats, mittens, etc.) and ensure they are brought home. As Spring arrives and muddy and wet weather persists, please be sure that your child brings a pair of indoor shoes to wear while they are in the building.

Labeling your child's clothing with a permanent marker helps eliminate students accidentally wearing another student's identical item of footwear and clothing home.

Parking in Crosswalks/Blocking Driveways

Parents are reminded to use the designated drop-off area when dropping off and picking up students. Cottonwood Ave is the designated spot for drop-off.

Please do not use the staff parking lot, block crosswalks or block our neighbors driveways when waiting for your children to be let out.



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

March 9th	Subway Day
March 15th	Bannock Day
March 19th - April 3rd	Spring Break
April 2nd	Good Friday
April 5th	Easter Monday
April 7th	Day of Suwewtwecw
April 15th	Good Friday
April 18th	Easter monday
April 21st	Bannock Day
April 25th	Non-Instructional Day

Idle-Free School Zone!

With Spring only a few weeks away, Chase has taken the initiative to promote all the positive affects of anti-idling and HALDANE is a great place to prove its advantages! This is a reminder to drivers to turn off your engine when you are waiting to pickup children from school. Vehicle idling is a health concern for children and adults, wastes fuel, and pollutes the air. By eliminating unnecessary idling, you can help improve air quality and the health of our community.

Please participate in Haldane's idle-free policy and feel good about turning off your engine when waiting to pickup your children from school.

Idle-Free = Cleaner Air and Happier Lungs!



ERASE is about building safe and caring school communities.

This includes empowering students, parents, educators and community partners who support them to get help with challenges, report concerns with schools, and learn about complex issues facing students.

For more information, visit:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase>

Lost and Found

Our lost and found bin is overflowing. If your child is missing any items, please stop by and have a look. Unclaimed items will be donated at the beginning of Spring Break.