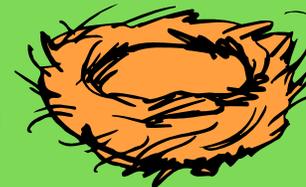




News from the Nest



DECEMBER 15, 2022

Merci, Kukwstétsemc, Thank-You



Thank you to all of you who brought in a donation for our Christmas Amalgamated hampers this year. Your donations have made the winter holidays much more manageable for a few deserving families.

I would also like to thank everyone who was able to make it to our Winter Concert this year. Putting on an event like this takes extra time on behalf of the teachers and much planning and organization by the office, so we hope you all enjoyed them as much as we did. It was lovely to see everyone in-person once again.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy, safe and restful winter break. I hope you find time to spend time with family, and maybe a little time to relax as well.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 20- Jan. 2	Winter Break
Jan. 3	School Re-Opens
Jan. 11	Gr. 7 Treat Day
	School of Choice Information Night (Zoom)
Jan. 12	Wigness and Venables to gymnastics
Jan. 16-20	Jess Dance Presentations - to all
Jan. 18	Twin Day
Jan. 19	Funk and Wallis to Stake Lake
	Mme Jayme to gymnastics
Jan. 23 - 27	Kindergarten Registration
Jan. 23	Growth Mindset Assembly
Jan. 24	PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm
Jan. 27	TRU Wolfpack Day
Feb. 2	Report Cards Home
Feb. 3	Professional Development Day

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

It is hard to believe that we are already planning for September.

On January 11th from 6:30 - 7:30, via Zoom, there is an information session for all schools of choice.

Kindergarten registration for all schools of choice will take place from Monday, January 23 - Friday January 27th.

Please take a moment to look at **AP 306** - Schools of Choice, French Immersion, and Academies (attached to the e-mail), on the SD73 website for the regulations around Kindergarten Registration.

Any families who have a child starting Kindergarten Sept. 2023 who has a sibling already at EESS, please call Mme Lisa so we can send home a registration package.

Kindergarten Round-Up will take place Thursday February 2, 2023. See the poster attached.

Criminal Records Check

Moving forward, any parents that are wanting to volunteer on field trips or drive students to sporting events are now required to complete a Criminal Records Check. If you think you might want to volunteer in the new year, please start the process now, as it can take several weeks for us to get the report back.

<https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck>
CODE: CL23LSGQGG

REMINDERS

1. PAC Hot Lunch orders and payment are due **Dec. 18th**. Please visit: www.sses.hotlunches.net to order.
2. Please report all absences to our Safe Arrival Program before 8:30am 1-844-350-2647, the SchoolMessenger App, or go.schoolmessenger.ca.
3. All sleds need to be brought home for the winter holidays. Unfortunately, they are not allowed on the bus, so if your child takes the bus, you will need to swing by to pick it up.

Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found continues to be quite large, despite the fact we have had it out on display for weeks. What helps us to get belongings back to their rightful owners if if you label everything, AND I MEAN EVERYTHING, with your child's name.

Mabel's Labels are a great way to do this, as the labels stick to everything and they stay stuck. Visit: https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/ and click support a fundraiser and type South Sahali Elementary. A percentage of sales comes back to our PAC.

Student and Family Affordability Fund

The Ministry of Education and Child Care announced the Student and Family Affordability Fund on August 29, 2022. This \$60M one time fund is intended to make back to school more affordable for families that need it most. This fund is provided directly to school districts to help expand school meal and snack programs, ensure students have access to school supplies, field trips, arts, cultural events, and athletics. Please contact your school principal, teacher, CEA, AEW, or Band Education Manager for more information scan the QR code, or click this [link](#).



(<https://www.sd73.bc.ca/Modules/News/index.aspx?newsId=b2a261ad-18e6-4536-b91b-0a32c61a9c15>)

Pyjama Day

Friday, December 16th is a school-wide pyjama day. I can't wait to wear my coziest of pjs on Friday.



PARENT INPUT SURVEY

If you did not get the chance to fill out the short Parent Survey at the evening performance, please take a moment to fill it out here. Your information will help us to plan for the rest of this year and the coming years as well.

<https://forms.gle/VZgYRwhhKJkyV7yG9>