



# Hidden Valley Elementary School Newsletter

Newsletter #3

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Dear Parents/Guardians

## HVS School Council News

The HVS School Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the School Library. All parents are welcome.

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This is my last newsletter to you before I leave. My last day of work is on January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017. I would like to thank you again for all the help and support during my time at Hidden Valley. Hidden Valley is a special school and will always have a special place in my heart. I am going to miss you and the children terribly!

Our Christmas concert is on Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6.30. I am looking forward to seeing you all at our concert!

On behalf of myself and the staff I would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas and all my best wishes for the future.

### **Thank You!**

- \* to all the teachers who prepared report cards and carried out parent/student conferences.
- \* to all the parents and students who attended these conferences.
- \* to Mr. Clubbe and Ms. Boardman for coaching our volleyball teams.
- \* to Ms. D., Ms. Klein and Ms. Dawn for coordinating the book fair.
- \* to Mr. Clubbe, Ms. Dawn, Ms. Mary and the Gr 6/7 students for coordinating the Halloween Carnival.

Sincerely,  
Riana Robinson  
Principal

## *Early School Closure*

All Whitehorse schools will be closing at **2:07 pm**,  
Friday, December 16, 2016.

## Remembrance Day Ceremony

Our school participated in a wonderful Remembrance Day Assembly on Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Ms. Byblow and Mr. Wiliam for coordinating this special service as well as all the classes who participated in the ceremony. We were also very fortunate to have our



special guest, Sylvia  
Whitehorse Royal Canadi-  
bers join us for this spe-



Kiching, the secretary of the  
an Legion, and family mem-  
cial occasion.



## Christmas Concert/Raffle

Our Christmas concert is on Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

This year we are having a holiday raffle instead of our silent auction. Items will be displayed in the Library and tickets will be for sale for either \$2.00, \$5.00 or \$10.00 depending on the value of the item. Tickets will be drawn by 8:15 pm after the Christmas concert/social and the winners of the items can take them home. Please bring a goodie to share after the concert.

## Guidelines for photos & videos of students at school and public events

**For parents and school councils** – We ask that parents please check with school staff and other parents before they take, share or post photos or information about other peoples' children during programs at school (example: posting a photo of your child with classmates to facebook or identifying who the other children are online). Please check with the teacher before you take photos in a classroom.

## Food Bank:

Please support our annual school-wide Holiday Food Bank. Donations of canned and non-perishable food items will be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off in the front foyer from now until December 16<sup>th</sup>. Please add your donations to the food bank box during our Christmas Concert festivities. Thanks for caring about our community.

## **Clothing**

Now that we are seriously into winter, it is **very important** that children be dressed appropriately for the conditions. All students are expected to go outside for recess and lunch breaks. Please ensure that your child has snow pants, proper boots, warm coats, hats, socks and mittens. **Please label all clothing.** Minus 25 degrees Celsius is our cut off temperature for students to go out for outdoor recesses. If your child is not coming to school during an extensive cold spell, please advise the school for safety reasons.

We will appreciate it if you can donate any used mitts or snow pants that you are not using at home. The teachers would like to keep these items in their classrooms to use in emergency situations.

## **Nutcracker:**

The whole school will be going to the Yukon Arts Centre on Friday, Dec. 9th, to see the Northern Lights School of Dance, performance; The Nutcracker. The performance is from 1:00—2:30 pm. Thank you to school council for purchasing tickets for all our students to attend this great show!

## **Whole School Skate:**

On Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, the whole school will be skating at the Canada Games Centre from 12:45 - 1:30 pm.

(Buses for students will be leaving the school at 12:15 p.m.)

Please join in on the fun afternoon with us! (We can always use extra hands to help tie up skates.)

**Helmets are required for all students.** Bicycle helmets are just fine.

**There is a \$3.65 fee for skate rentals at the Canada Games Centre.**



## Volleyball Championships

The girls' and boys' teams brought home the GOLD medals at this years Volleyball Tournament!

Way to go Teams !!!!

Congratulations to everyone who participated!



## Dept. of Education Cold Weather Policy

With the cold weather settling in, a reminder to parents about cold weather safety and that parents' should listen to radio stations in the morning for updates on bus delays.

Here's a link to the website:

<http://www.education.gov.yk.ca/safety.html#Coldweather>



## December

Denise G.—Gr. 7	James B.—K
Hope K-N.—Gr. 1	Phaedra K.—Gr. 6
Jordan-Lee L.—Gr. 7	Gabe S.—Gr. 5
Elizabeth C-G.—Gr. 7	Donald H.—Gr. 7
Dominic S.—Gr. 5	Taylor C.—Gr. 6
Ms. McColeman—Music Teacher	

## Library Notice

The Hidden Valley School Library is not just for the students! Parents/guardians too are welcome to borrow from our amazing library collection! Please stop in and take a look.....and contact Mme Lynn, Teacher-Librarian, for assistance.



Thank you for keeping Hidden Valley School **Nut** Free.



## Husky Helper Winner

**for the Month of October-November**

Gabe S., Porter T., Max W., Juniper B.,  
Rylan C., Cameron M.





Learning Together is a drop in program that runs Tuesday-Friday. Tuesday is from 9:00–11:30 am and 12:35 pm–3:00 pm. Wednesday—Friday is from 9:00 am—11:30 am.

every morning.

Learning Together is a positive, play based learning environment for parents/ caregivers and their children that provides learning opportunities to enhance children's skills in all areas of development. It is a program that targets 3-5 year old children although ages 0-5 are welcome.

The program is drop-in and free! Snack served as part of the program.

Play centers, gym time, storytelling, games, crafts and so much more!

Park at the front of the school in the parent parking lot and enter the school from the primary wing door.

For more information contact the school at 667-8164.

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LEARN.....FOR  
LIFE**

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## Upcoming Events

MAD performance (K-Gr. 3)	Dec. 1
Assembly @ 11:30 am	Dec. 6
School Council Meeting @ 6 pm	Dec. 7
Christmas Concert & Silent Auction (6:30-8pm)	Dec. 8
Nutcracker @ Yukon Arts Centre (1:00-2:30 pm) (Whole School)	Dec. 9
Carolling Week (8:45 am)	Dec. 12-16
Whole School Skate (12:45-1:30 pm)	Dec. 16
Early dismissal at 2:07 pm	Dec. 16
Christmas Holidays	Dec. 19-Jan. 2
1st day back to school	Jan. 3

