



Hidden Valley Elementary School Newsletter

Newsletter #7

March 1, 2016

HVS School Council News

The HVS School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 22nd at 6:00 p.m. in the School Library. All parents are welcome.

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Spring Break is almost here. Among other things, report cards are here. Your child's report card has two main aspects. One is to show you how your child is doing compared to expectations for that grade level and the other is to suggest what your child needs to improve on. The term two or March report cards are important in both of these areas. If you have any questions about the reports or would like to meet with your child's teacher, please call the school to make arrangements. The next four months will be busy, and they inevitably fly by. Please do pay close attention to the report card comments, including how to support your child at home.

Sincerely,
Riana Robinson
Principal

Report Cards are going home on
Friday, March 4, 2016.



Husky Helper Winners for the Month of February

Maya R., Declan F-R.,
Alyssa R., Waylon J.



Polar Games 2016

The grade 6 students enjoyed taking part in this year's Polar Games on Feb. 4 & 5. The students took school buses to various venues in Whitehorse, including the Canada Games Centre to participate in bowling, curling, hand-ball, mini-basketball, soccer and swimming. Whitehorse Elementary hosted the dance again this year. It was a lot of fun and a great success!

Report To The Office

We would like to remind parents to use the main entrance only, and to report to the office on arrival at school.

Thank you for keeping Hidden Valley School
NUTFree.



March



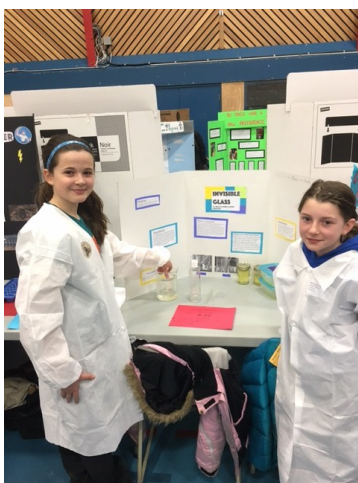
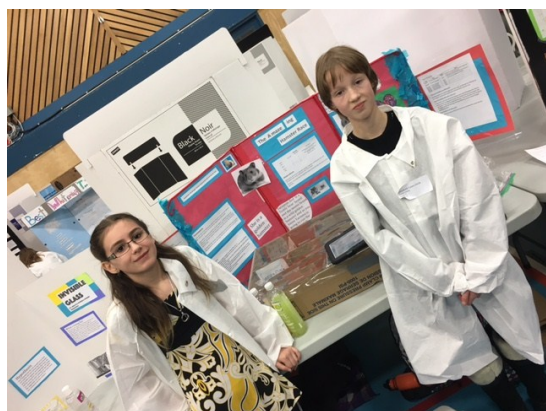
Rayden K.	Ada S.
Jackson U.	Ronin T.
Olivia P.	Linnea R.
Olivia B.	

SCIENCE FAIR

The grade 6/7 class worked very hard on their science projects for science fair this year.

Two teams were selected from the class for regionals that took place on Saturday, February 20th. Of the two teams, Elizabeth and Clara won the BC Science Teacher's Medal as well as a cheque for their project "Hamster Maze:. Max and Alex won 3rd place overall for grade 6 along for their project "CRISPR" and were given a special BC genome award and a cheque.

Great Job!!!



Read-A-Thon

In support of "Reading" and "Children Helping Children"

Locally and Globally

This year our school donated to Little Footprints Big Steps

<http://www.littlefootprintsbigsteps.com/>

Our theme was "walking to Haiti". The students walked 2500 km of the 7000km through their reading.

Students were asked to read for a minimum of 15 minutes every day and raised just over \$600.00 to support the children in Haiti.

Francophone winter festival

On Thursday Feb. 18th HVES held a francophone winter festival "Carnaval" with a variety of activities including snowshoe races, a tug-of-war and snow painting. Students teamed up in multi-age groups representing different francophone countries from around the world. The highlight of the day was the maple sugar taffy "tire" which was made on site by pouring boiling maple syrup on freshly packed snow. A big thanks "merci" goes out to all the staff and volunteers who made the afternoon so successful and a special thanks to Mme Lynn Poile, who organized the event.



Basketball Tournament

The grade 6/7 girls and boys basketball teams played in the final tournament on Friday, February 12th. Although they didn't win any medals, they played hard, had fun and worked as a team. Way to go!

100's Day

100's day is when it is the 100th day of school. To celebrate all the hard work they have been doing, the primary classes had a party. They played games and had a special lunch.



Pancake Breakfast

Hidden Valley School would like to thank Superstore Whitehorse for hosting a wonderful community breakfast on February 18th. Students, parents and staff enjoyed the varied menu, and the chance to socialize with each other while someone else did the cooking! Breakfast for Learning is an important part of our community, and we thank Superstore for their support!



Whitehorse Kindergarten pre-registration for the 2016-17 school year began on **February 8, 2016.**

On this page, you can

- Learn about Kindergarten options
- Find out how to register for Kindergarten

Kindergarten is not a required program in Yukon, but most families choose to start their children's education there.

Kindergarten in Whitehorse

In Whitehorse, children can start Kindergarten when they have reached 4 years + 8 months of age by September 1st of the school year. That is, they must be 5 years old on or before December 31.

Kindergarten in Whitehorse is a full-day program.

In addition to the regular English-language Kindergarten program, Whitehorse parents can choose French Immersion and Catholic education. Admission into these programs is not guaranteed.

Registration

Fill out the online [Whitehorse Kindergarten pre-registration form](#)

We use the form to assign children to schools.

The form asks for information about your child and allows you to specify your first and second program choices. Children are expected to attend school in their attendance area. Admission into French Immersion and Catholic education is not guaranteed.

If you need help completing the online Kindergarten Pre-Registration Form, or if you need to change or correct any information after submitting the form, call the Department of Education at 867-667-5068 or email Jamie.Richardson@gov.yk.ca.

School assignment

Children are assigned to schools in the order in which pre-registration forms are received, so it is very important to complete the online form as soon as the pre-registration period opens in early February, especially if you are requesting French Immersion or Catholic education.

In assigning children to schools, we consider:

- Parents' requests for special programs
- Class sizes
- Attendance areas
- Schools attended by siblings
- Support for any special educational needs child may have

The pre-registration form allows you to specify a first and second preference. If your first-choice school is full, your child will be assigned to an alternative school, taking into account your second preference.

Completing the registration process

When we have processed all of the pre-registration forms, we will tell you which school your child has been assigned to.

Once your child has been assigned to a school, the school will ask you to show a birth certificate or other proof of age for your child, and you will fill out some additional forms.

Upcoming Events

****PROGRAM AT HIDDEN VALLEY**

ELEMENTARY **

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.

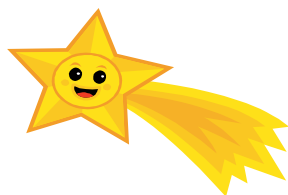
The program is drop-in and free! Snack served as part of the program.

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.

Parade @ 1:00 p.m.	Mar. 1
Primary's @ Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre for French Performance (11:55 am—2:20 pm)	Mar. 3
Gr. 6/7 class at Mt. Sima	Mar. 4
Report Cards go Home	Mar. 4
Spring Break	Mar. 7-18
School Council Meeting @ 6:00 pm in the Library	Mar. 22
Good Friday (No School)	Mar. 25
Easter Monday (No School)	Mar. 28
Bison Feast @ 5:30 pm	Mar. 31
Parade @ 1:00 pm	Apr. 5
Wrestling Tournament	Apr. 6



Wall of Fame

We have a Wall of Fame at school. Please send in any newspaper articles/clippings of Hidden Valley Students excelling in activities for us to display on our wall. It is located outside the door to the gym. Come check it out!

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