



# Hidden Valley Elementary School Newsletter

Newsletter #9

May 1, 2016

## HVS School Council News

The HVS School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 10th at 6:00 p.m. in the School Library. All parents are welcome.

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Dear Parents/Guardians

I would like to congratulate the Hidden Valley Destination Imagination team, for being selected to participate in the DI Global Finals in Tennessee from May 24 – May 30. Every May more than 1400 DI teams from the U.S.A. and 14 other countries gather to showcase their innovative Challenge solutions. More than 17 000 people attend the event each year.

These students are working extremely hard at perfecting their play, performance and props. I would like to wish the team all the best and I know you will make us proud in Tennessee. I would like to thank our DI coordinator, Ms Tiana Zakus for all her hard work as well as all the parents for supporting the kids in their fundraising. *Congratulations to our team: Max, Alex, Taia, Donald, Nia and Phoebe.*

### What is Destination Imagination?

Destination Imagination is a program to encourage and foster the development of 21<sup>st</sup> century skills: problem solving, critical thinking, creativity and collaboration.

Riana Robinson  
Principal

## Whole School Photo

**Tuesday, May 17th  
at 11:30 a.m.**



## Transportation to School

[http://www.education.gov.yk.ca/employers/school\\_transportation.html](http://www.education.gov.yk.ca/employers/school_transportation.html)

Students at Whitehorse-area schools have two busing options: school bus and public transit.

To find out about bus routes and schedules outside Whitehorse, please contact your school.

If you live more than 3.2 kilometres from a bus route, see below.

### **School bus**

Parents must fill out a registration form for each Whitehorse-area student to ride a school bus. The information helps us plan and provide the most efficient service possible.

The form ensures we have up-to-date contact information and are aware of medical conditions or allergies for your child in case of an emergency. This information will be shared with the school bus company.

Use the [Returning Student School Bus Registration Form](#) for one or more students who currently ride the bus and have no changes to their address or school.

Register using the [New Student/Change of Address or Change of School Registration Form](#) for each student who has not previously been registered or for whom there is a school change or address change affecting pick-up or drop-off.

The online form is designed for Internet Explorer. If you are having trouble downloading the form, you may not have an updated version of Adobe or you are using a web browser other than Internet Explorer.

There are three ways to submit the form:

Scan and email it to [student.transportation@gov.yk.ca](mailto:student.transportation@gov.yk.ca).

Take it to your school office or the Department of Education at 1000 Lewes Boulevard

Fax it to 867-667-8243

## Skip-A-Thon

This years Skip-A-Thon will be held on Friday, May 20th in the afternoon.

We will be skipping outside and in the gym.

Pledge sheets will be going home soon and all proceeds will go to the Salvation Army.



# Is your child starting Kindergarten this fall?

If so, please come and see us at the Pre-Kindergarten Health Fair.

Thursday, May 5 or Friday, May 6 • 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Whitehorse Health Centre (9010 Quartz Road)

A fun, fair-like atmosphere where nurses will check height, weight, vision, hearing and immunizations in preparation for starting Kindergarten. Other agencies will provide information about dental care, nutrition, safety, growth and development.

If you have questions, please call the Health Centre at 667-8864.

- ✓ No appointment necessary    ✓ Plan to be there about 1 hour
- ✓ Please bring immunization records if your child has been immunized outside of Yukon.



**Yukon**  
Health and Social Services



## Run for Mom/Buddy Reading



On Thursday, April 28th the whole school participated in a run/walk around the MacPherson Subdivision. It was great to see parents join us in the run and stay afterwards for snacks and listen to their child read during buddy reading!

Since 2002, the Directory Recycling Program has been Northwestel's way of connecting with communities and showcasing corporate social responsibilities by diverting out-dated directories from community landfills as part of our commitment to meet and promote environmentally-friendly standards while investing in northern communities.

During the month of May, we will be collecting old phonebooks at Hidden Valley School. There will be a box in the front foyer for anyone wanting to donate their out-dated phone books.

We are hoping to receive 2 books from each student as well as from staff to be brought in.

The more books we collect, the more money we receive.



Fiddleheads Presents

# A Fiddle History of Yukon Transportation



**Friday, May 13th, 7pm**  
**Saturday, May 14th, 2 & 7pm**  
Adults \$15  
Children \$10  
Transportation Museum

Music arranged by **Gordon Stobbe**  
Music Director **Keitha Clark**  
Stage/Theatrical Director **Brian Fidler**

**Time-Traveling Fiddleheads**  
Join the time-traveling Fiddleheads as they explore Yukon's transportation history with dancing, storytelling and fiddle music! Featuring interviews with living legends Stan Peters, Maureen Routledge and fiddling icon Joe Loutchan. This multi-media production showcases the talents of Yukon's favourite fiddle playing kids.

Tickets available at the YAC Box Office,  
Arts Underground & at [www.yukontickets.com](http://www.yukontickets.com)

Arts Fund  
LOTTERIES YUKON  
Whitehorse  
THE YUKON TERRITORY



Come prepared  
to get wet and  
show off  
your skills!

New member Pool evaluations  
for ages 6-12: Teddy, Cub & Brown Bear squads

Monday, May 30 6-7 pm

Tuesday, June 7 6-7 pm

Thursday, June 9 4-5 pm

Be ready to swim for 30 minutes!

Check  
[whitehorseglacierbears.ca](http://whitehorseglacierbears.ca)  
for more info

We also  
offer a  
Teen Squad  
(13-18 yrs)

## Destination Imagination (DI)

This year, one of our DI Teams from Hidden Valley School, “the Northern Fiddle Sticks” are participating in the Destination Imagination Global Finals in Tennessee for their Fine Arts challenge, “Get a Clue”.

Parents are busy fundraising to raise enough money for the six students to have this great experience!

If you can help out in anyway, the DI team really appreciates it. Below are some of the fundraising



A Destination Imagination Fundraiser  
**Garage Sale**

Date: **Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Time: **9 am - 1pm**  
Place: **Vanier School  
16 Duke Rd  
Cafeteria & Yard  
\*\*Rain or Shine\*\***

Help Support 'Team Purple Reign' (from Vanier) and 'The Northern Fiddle Sticks' (from Hidden Valley)

To Donate Items:  
Drop items off: Friday April 29<sup>th</sup>  
between 9:00-5:00pm at Vanier  
Items to be picked up:  
Call 668-1040

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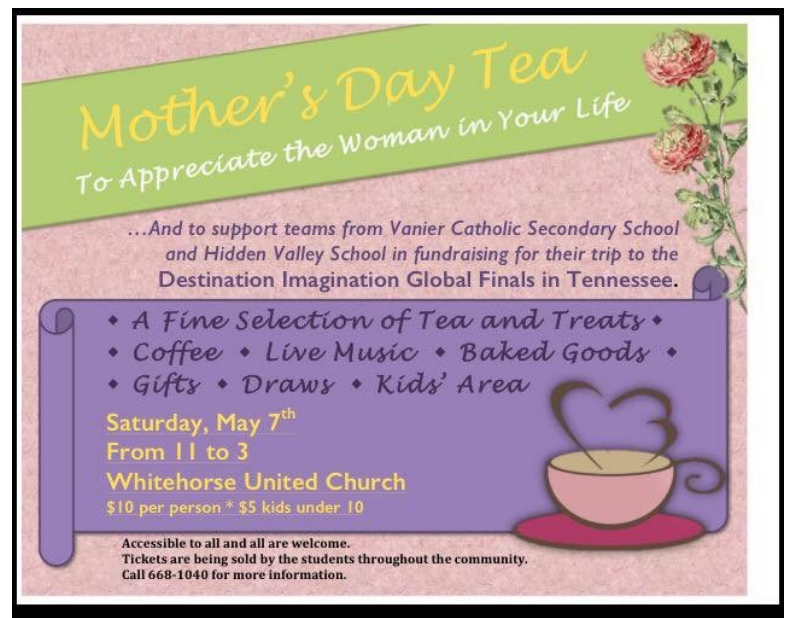
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**Mother's Day Tea**  
To Appreciate the Woman in Your Life

...And to support teams from Vanier Catholic Secondary School and Hidden Valley School in fundraising for their trip to the Destination Imagination Global Finals in Tennessee.

- A Fine Selection of Tea and Treats •
- Coffee • Live Music • Baked Goods •
- Gifts • Draws • Kids' Area

**Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**From 11 to 3**  
**Whitehorse United Church**  
**\$10 per person \* \$5 kids under 10**

Accessible to all and all are welcome.  
Tickets are being sold by the students throughout the community.  
Call 668-1040 for more information.

We will be having Hot Lunches (May 12, 19 and June 2) at HVS  
The first hot lunch on May 12th will be a pizza lunch.

Forms will go home closer to the date

We are also looking for Corporate Sponsors

Small logos on T-shirts \$250.00

Larger logos on T-shirts \$ 500.00

Please contact David Petkovich for more info 334 7297

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*PRIMARY CHOIR at the*

*ROTARY MUSIC FESTIVAL*

On Friday April 22nd the grade 1, 2 and 3 students performed at Rotary Music Festival. They looked great on the Arts Centre Stage and they sang beautifully. The adjudicator had many good things to say about their performance including "beautiful on the higher notes", "excellent sense of the rhythms" and "good job on your loud and soft." The Hidden Valley 1-2-3 Singers worked super hard to prepare for this performance and should be very proud of themselves.



## *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.



### **\*\*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.

Thank you for keeping Hidden Valley School NUT Free.



## **Husky Helper Winners for the Month of March & April**

Justus B., Clara-Marie S., David G.,  
Ronin T., Taia Z., Wylloh D.



May's winners will be drawn at our next parade on May 31st.



*May*

Angel M.	Grace W.
Ben Q.	Travis S.
Oliver M.	Saige G.
Emlyn K.	Ms. Cupido
Ms. Lumbers	Ms. D.



## Wall of Fame

We have a Wall of Fame at school. Please send any newspaper articles/clippings of Hidden Valley Students excelling in activities.

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LEARN.....FOR  
LIFE**



# Upcoming Events

Primary pottery classes (9-noon)	May 2
Intermediate pottery classes (9-noon)	May 3
Gr. 6/7 @ Mary Poppins Play (12:30-2:30 pm)	May 4
Gr. 4/5 @ Mary Poppins Play (12:30—2:30 pm)	May 5
Carmacks Ridge Run (All Day)	May 6
Gr. 4-7 Author Visit (8:45—9:45 am)	May 9
Break Dance instructor for K-5 classes in PM	May 9-12
Gr. 7 RAM Camp (9:30—2:30 pm)	May 10
Health & Safety Presentation K-Gr. 3	May 10
School Council Meeting @ 6 pm in the Library	May 10
Badminton Tournament	May 11
Kindergarten Orientation (1:30-2:30 pm)	May 11
Hot Lunch Fundraiser for DI Team	May 12
Ditches 'N Donuts (Hwy litter clean-up @ 3:15 pm)	May 12
Pine Grove (Golden Horn Elem) Run (10:30-2:30)	May 13
Primary pottery classes (9-noon)	May 16
Intermediate pottery classes (9-noon)	May 17
Whole School Photo @ 11:30 am	May 17
Gr. 4/5 @ WES for French play (10:30-1:00 pm)	May 18
FN Performance	May 20
Skip-A-Thon (1:00—2:30 pm)	May 20
Victoria Day (No School)	May 23
Drama Artist in Kindergarten class (1-2 pm)	May 24
Primary Students—Bake sale at noon	May 25
Drama Artist in Kindergarten class (1-2 pm)	May 26
Haines Junction Run	May 27
Primary Classes at Lendrum Farm Visit	May 30
Parade @ 11:00 am	May 31
Drama Artist in Kindergarten class (9-10 am)	May 31