

### Hidden Valley Elementary School Newsletter

Newsletter #5

February 18, 2019

#### **HVS School Council News**

The HVS School Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 6th at 5:30 p.m. in the School Library. All parents are welcome.

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



#### Dear Parents/Guardians

From Christmas to March Break is a very valuable time of the year for learning and the classes cover a lot of material. The cold weather often puts a big damper on the outdoor programming at the school as well as at home. Because of the cold, these months are good months to spend 15 minutes or so reading each night with your children, or for older students, having them read silently for 30 minutes.

Hidden Valley School has been focusing on communication, thinking, and personal and social skills (the three Core Competencies) in all of our lessons and activities that we partake in at school. These skills are the building blocks of lifelong learning and of a growth mindset. Growth mindset is rooted in the understanding that anyone can strengthen their brain to learn new knowledge which can be used to solve simple tasks or complex problems.

A child's ability to understand that learning is continual and that their brain is a muscle that can be strengthened and very important. This will allow them to learn new material without frustration. The following two links will bring you to information around growth and fixed mind-sets.

A website for parents to assist their children https://www.mindsetworks.com/parents/default

An informational video on the Fixed and Growth Mindsets: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KUWn\_TJTrnU

Sincerely, Ann Larnder Principal

# Kindergarten pre-registration for Whitehorse students

Monday February 11 at 9:00 a.m.



Pre-register your child online at:

yukon.ca/en/education-and-schools/kindergarten-grade-12/register-your-childkindergarten.

Your child must be five years old by December 31, 2019 to register. Parents in rural communities can register their child for Kindergarten directly at the school.

Kindergarten and Early French Immersion parent info night on Wednesday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m. at Selkirk Elementary

There will be an information night at the Selkirk Elementary School library to review the process and steps for registering for Kindergarten and Early French Immersion Kindergarten programs.



#### **School Assessment Parent Survey**

#### Reminder notice for parents:

This a reminder that we are asking you to fill out the online survey about the way our school is assessing and reporting on student learning.

**Fill out the survey at:** <a href="https://survey.gov.yk.ca/2019-School-Assessment-Parent-Survey.aspx">https://survey.gov.yk.ca/2019-School-Assessment-Parent-Survey.aspx</a>

Your feedback will help our school improve how we report to you on your child's learning progress. The survey will remain open until March 4, 2019.

If you have any questions or you would like to fill out a hard copy survey instead, please contact the school. You can also check out the attached FAQ for more information.



#### **February**

Sophie G.	Damien G.
Josephine D.	Elan J.
Austin W.	Wren R-O
Connor M	Kiara J.
Julian D.	Miss Marie

## HIDDEN VALLEY FIDDLE CLUB

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 27 - MAY 22 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM in MME SHARI'S CLASSROOM

Deadline is March 1st



Learn to play the fiddle with Amelia Rose in a fun 8-week course. Amelia is a classically trained fiddle player, with many years of teaching and fiddling experience. Kids must have their own fiddles to participate. Options are to rent (Long & McQuade) or get a great wholesale rate through Jordi at Triple J's (334-4224 for details.) Amelia is happy to provide more information on sourcing fiddles - 336-3119.

Registration is open for Grade 1 students and up. For students under the age of 8, parents are encouraged to be present during classes. The cost for 8 classes is \$120. Payment and registration is done directly through Amelia at slobogeanamelia@gmail.com. Payments may be done through etransfer, cash or cheque at the first class. Class size is limited to 12.

Kids will learn the parts of the instrument, how to take care of their fiddle and bow, how to hold and get great sounds, bow patterns and fingerings, and a couple of beginner songs...all while having fun!!

#### Fundraising Opportunities

Hidden Valley School is participating in these two fundraising opportunities by collecting receipts from Boston Pizza and Independent Grocer.

All you have to do is give your receipts to the office!



#### 1. Operation Education

Save all your **Boston Pizza** receipts, give them to the school and the school will get 5% of the total back in cash! This will run from February to June 2019 and again in September until January 2020.





#### 2. Independent Grocer

For every \$5000.00 we get in receipts, **Independent** will give our school a \$20.00 gift card. (excluding tobacco and lotto)

#### 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.

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#### **Upcoming Events**

Dental Hygienist	Feb 18-March 1
Gr. 3 Learn to Swim Lessons (9:45-10:30)	Feb. 19-21
Gr. 4/5 @ Jack Hulland Elem for French Performance (8:50-10:30 am)	Feb. 19
K's & Gr. 1's Rec Skate (9:45-10:30 am)	Feb. 21
Gr. 3 Cross Country Ski Lessons (12:40-2:40)	Feb. 21
French Heritage Day (1:00-2:30 pm)	Feb. 21
Heritage Day—No School	Feb. 22
Gr. 3 Cross Country Ski Lessons (12:40-2:40)	Feb. 28
Pink Shirt Day	Feb. 28
Gr. 2—Ski S'Cool	March 1
Hot Lunch	March 1
Bison Hunt Gr. 6/7	March 4-8
Chante la ta Chanson (1:00-2:30 pm)	March 5
Gr. 4/5 Floor Hockey Tournament	March 6
School Council Meeting @ 5:30 in the Library	March 6
Gr. 3 Cross Country Ski Lessons (12:40-2:40)	March 7
K's & Gr. 1's—Shipyards Park (12:30-3:00)	March 8
Daylight Savings Time (turn clocks 1 hr ahead)	March 10
Spring Break—No School	March 11-22
Hot Lunch	March 29