



# Hidden Valley Elementary School Newsletter

Newsletter #8

April 7, 2017

## HVS School Council News

The HVS School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the School Library. All parents are welcome.

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome Back. I hope you all had a wonderful and relaxing Spring Break!

The Bison Hunt was a great success, even though we were unable to harvest a bison this year.

The participants in the winter camp and bison hunt enjoyed being out in the beautiful outdoor wilderness. The Bison Hunt is a school program and initiative that provides opportunities for students to learn about sustainable hunting, animal behaviors, conservation, and knowledge of the land through both western and First Nation perspectives. They participated in a variety of learning opportunities including; wildlife identification, GPS training, quinzee building, outdoor games, and traditional names of places.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents and volunteers who helped out with this exciting learning opportunity. Your time, energy, and commitment to this great educational opportunity are appreciated by all of us, and make Hidden Valley School a wonderful place to be. Both School Council and the School Administration have supported this amazing program for many years and will continue to into the future.

I would like to welcome all of our school community to the Bison Feast on April 27th. However, since we did not harvest a bison this year we will be serving hamburgers this year. We will also have a slide show from the Bison Camp, a video log, as well as some performances by the students to display their learning.

Sincerely,  
John Duclos  
Principal

## Get ready for school...come to the Pre-Kindergarten Health Fair!

If your child is going into kindergarten this year, come visit the Whitehorse Health Centre health fair



**Nurses will check height, weight, vision, hearing and immunizations at this time in preparation for starting kindergarten in the fall. Other agencies at the fair will provide information about dental care, nutrition, safety, growth and development.**

- ✦ No appointment necessary.
  - ✦ Plan to be there about one hour.
  - ✦ Please bring immunization records if your child was immunized outside Yukon.
- If you have any questions, please call the Whitehorse Health Centre at 667-8864.

Important information will also be available to help you and your child prepare for your next great adventure – school!

- Getting ready for school – Development
- Avoiding colds and flus – Hand washing
- Packing healthy lunches and snacks – Nutrition
- Getting them to school safely – Car Seat Safety/Road & Bike Safety
- Fish pond for a take-home prize at the end
- And more...

### Contact info

Children's Health Fairs

**Phone: 867-667-8864**



## **2017 Yukon Northwestel Directory Recycling Program Guidelines**

Schools in the Yukon Region are invited to participate in the 2016 Northwestel Directory Recycling Program, which offers schools the opportunity to earn cash awards and participate in a “green” activity. **The program will begin on Monday, May 1, 2017 and closes Wednesday, May 31, 2017.**

Students, teachers and support staff are encouraged to collect outdated Northwestel telephone directories from family, friends, neighbours, and business/government offices and bring the directories to their respective schools.

Northwestel will recognize all schools participating in the program and meeting the target objectives with a cash contribution toward programs or activities of the school's choice.

### **There are three levels of recognition funding**

#### **Green Level:**

A cash award of \$300 for each school meeting a target of two directories collected per student. (i.e. student enrolment x 1 = target number of directories to be collected).

#### **Jade Level:**

A cash award of \$550 for each school meeting a target of three directories collected per student (i.e. student enrolment x 2 = target number of directories to be collected).

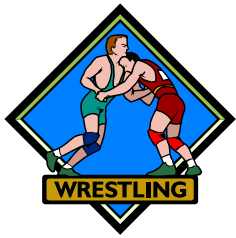
#### **Emerald Level**

A cash award of \$750 for each school meeting a target of five directories collected per student (i.e. student enrolment x 3 = target number of directories to be collected).

**\*\*\*Hidden Valley's goal is to reach the Emerald Level by each student and staff collecting 3 phone books\*\*\***

## Running Club

Practises are beginning Monday, April 10th, and will be Monday - Thursday at noon. We will be participating in three meets this year in May; Carmacks, Pine Grove (Golden Horn Elem) including the whole school and Haines Junction. Permission slips will be sent home closer to the dates of the runs.



## Wrestling Tournament

On Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, we are participating in the elementary wrestling tournament at the Canada Games Centre from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. This event involves Grade 2 – Grade 7 students. Ms. Boardman will be driving our wrestlers to the CGC at 8:30 a.m. in the Dept. of Education Activity Bus and will have them back at the school by 3:00 pm.

All parents are welcome to watch this event. Good Luck to all our Wrestlers this year!

### *Dá Kwändür – Our Story*

#### *Tsäl n-zha – Gopher moon-cycle (April)*

Yäw äjädalät! Dagäy kàannata ye tsäl nadhät ní'ì! Ädałàl kwache!

Äyenji äshāw shāwkwathän!!!

The snow is melting! I see swans flying and gophers standing! It is Spring Time!

I am very happy!



## Bison Hunt 2017

The grade 6/7 students were on the annual bison hunt March 6-10th.

Despite the really cold weather and not finding any bison, they had a great time!! Thank you to all the parents and volunteers that donated their time to make this hunt possible. The bison feast will still take place on Thursday, April 27th at 5:30.



## Destination Imagination

Congratulations to the Destination Imagination team;  
The Northern Skittlesticks for placing 1st at the D.I.  
Championships Saturday, March 4th in Whitehorse and  
3rd place in the Provincial Championships  
Saturday, April 8th in Vancouver, B.C.

Way to go Team!!!

Whitehorse,  
Y.T.



Vancouver,  
B.C.



**\*\*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 Draw  
December & January Winners  
Serena, Declan, Linnea & Ambrose**



February & March winners will be drawn at our next parade on April 27th.

**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.



*April*

Harmony B.	Ambrose R.
Olivia H.	Larissa S.
Loki G.	Seth F.
Wylloh D.	Lukas S.
Ms. Allen	



# Upcoming Events

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**LEARNING TO  
 LEARN.....FOR  
 LIFE**



Running Club Practice @ noon	Apr. 10
All City Band Performance @ 9:30 am	Apr. 12
School Council Mtg @ 6:00 pm	Apr. 12
Gr. 6 Immunizations (1:00-2:00 pm)	Apr. 13
Good Friday (No School)	Apr. 14
Easter Monday (No School)	Apr. 17
Wrestling Tournament (CGC)	Apr. 19
Math Arcade & Curriculum redesign information session (1-3 pm) Parents Invited	Apr. 20
Bison Feast (5:30—8:00 pm)	Apr. 27
Rotary Music Festival	Apr. 28
School Council Mtg @ 6:00 pm	May 3
Carmacks Ridge Run	May 5
Mining Day @ SS Klondike (all day)	May 5
Whole School Activity	
Highway Litter Clean-Up (afternoon)	May 9
Kindergarten Orientation in the Library (1:30-2:30)	May 11
Pine Grove Run (Golden Horn) (PM)	May 12
Whole School Activity	
Whole School Photo (11:00 a.m.)	May 16
Badminton Tournament	May 17
Kindergartens @ Wildlife Preserve	May 18
Skip A Thon in the afternoon	May 19
Victoria Day (No School)	May 22
Talent Show	May 24
Assembly @ 1:00 pm	May 25
Haines Junction Run	May 26
Whole School Swim (1:00-2:30)	May 30
K's in Flexihall	