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Principal's Message

Dear Parents:

Happy New Year! I hope the winter break was restful and enjoyable for all.

Thank you for your patience and understanding on Monday and Tuesday when our school district declared two "snow days." As you know it is the first time that the district has cancelled school because of a sudden and massive snowfall. Your understanding is appreciated.

Hopefully, you had an opportunity to enjoy the school's annual Christmas Concert. A special thank you to Christine McCauley for organizing and producing the concert.

Mr. Toews and I are excited to see what 2015 brings and wish all of our DT Families a healthy and happy new year ☺

D. DeRose

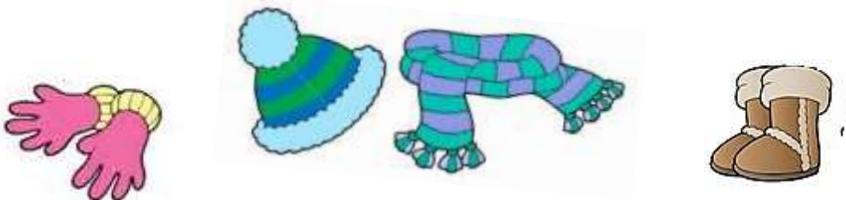
FSA TESTING

The [Foundation Skills Assessment](#) is an annual province-wide assessment of British Columbia grade 4 and grade 7 students' academic skills, and provides a snapshot of how well BC students are learning foundation skills in Reading Comprehension, Writing, and Numeracy. FSA practice runs and testing will take place in January in the weeks ahead. If you have any questions regarding the FSA's, please contact Ms. DeRose at 250-579-9228.



SLEDDING HILL & CRAZY CARPETS

Since the much anticipated arrival of the snow this winter, the children have been able to enjoy the sledding hill on the playground. Parents/Guardians please note: the school has purchased a number of crazy carpets for the children to share and use. **PERSONAL SLEDDING DEVICES FROM HOME ARE NOT PERMITTED.** This is to ensure the safety of all students. Thank you for your cooperation.



WINTER CLOTHING

Parents/Guardians please ensure that your children are wearing appropriate winter weather attire. They need to be dressed properly for the elements. Unless the weather conditions are extreme, students will continue to enjoy their recess and lunch breaks outside.



YOGA MATS WANTED



DT is currently looking for donations of clean yoga mats. We are hoping for at least 30 mats, a class set, allowing individual classes to practice yoga during their DPA. If you have any extra yoga mats laying around, please bring them to the office 😊



HOT LUNCH DAYS

Next week the DT Hot Lunch website will be up and running allowing parents/guardians to order lunches for students. This will be the final opportunity to order for the next round of hot lunches, taking us to the end of the school year. Please visit: <https://dthompson.hotlunches.net> and register your child(ren) if you haven't already done so. The access code is 'DTHL' and is case sensitive, you must use all capital letters.

PAC NEWS

★ The next PAC meeting will be on Thursday, Jan 22nd @ 6:30pm in the Library. Everyone is welcome & child care is available 😊 ★



Any event organizers or 'wanna-be' event organizers out there? HELP NEEDED!

The DT Elementary PAC is looking for anybody interested in giving a few hours to help in the organizing of a school dance that the PAC is looking to host in early March. Although volunteers will be needed closer to the event to help with specific tasks such as set-up, clean-up etc, right now we are looking for anybody who would like to get involved in the organizing and planning of the event. Anybody with creative ideas, fundraising ideas, people who want to help find music and dancers, sound systems or lighting or anybody who would just like to get together with other parents to try help an event to support their school. If you're interested, please contact Clare Adams at 250-571-4158 or by email at clare@biggerbubbles.com.

★ URGENT ★

★ BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED ★

Parent volunteers are needed to assist with coaching for the upcoming Basketball season. If you are able to help out, please contact Mrs. Hansen immediately: tmhansen@d73.bc.ca. Three teams may have to be cancelled if coaches are not found.

Un Plug & Play
Week Jan 24 - 31

For a detailed
calendar of events
and more
information on
free un plug and
play week
activities visit:

www.literacyinkamloops.com



5th Annual
Heap The Honda
Children's Book Drive

January 4th - 27th



Drop off locations

- Kamloops Honda
- Interim Savings Branches
- Tournament Capital Centre
- Westside Pool
- Kamloops and North Kamloops Libraries
- Henry Gude Education Centre Library
- Kamloops Hatters Game (January 22nd)

Books will be given to

- Bright Red Bookshelf Project
- ABC Family Literacy Day
- Henry Gude Education Centre (January 27th)
- Social Service Agencies

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JANUARY



<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
			<u>01</u>	<u>02</u>
<u>05</u>	<u>06</u>	<u>07</u> <u>Hot Dog Lunch Day</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>09</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> <u>Chilli Lunch Day</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>
<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> <u>Pizza Lunch Day</u>	<u>22</u> <u>PAC Meeting</u> <u>@ 6:30pm Library</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u> <u>Senor Froggy Lunch Day</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>