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Newsletter #8 – April 1st, 2015

Principal's Message:

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Welcome back after a restful, relaxing two week spring break. By all accounts, it sounds like the spring break was enjoyed by all.

This newsletter is the first in the final term. As we begin the final term, we have several school wide activities planned. First of all, we have an exciting "Day of Suwewtwew" assembly scheduled for Tuesday, April 7 at 10:40am. Grade 3 students from Mr. Martin's class will open the assembly with a drumming song followed by Chief Mike LeBourdais. The theme for this year's celebration is "Connecting to the Land." In light of the theme, we have put signage up throughout the school in Secwepemc alongside the English signs.

Boogie the Bridge practices are taking place now in preparation for our school's run on April 24th. This year our school was selected as one to follow as students train for Kamloops' annual Boogie the Bridge Run.

Although it's early in the final term, I'd like to remind you that if you would like to make a grade placement request for your child for next year, please do so in writing addressed to me at your earliest convenience. Be mindful, that although we appreciate your feedback, and will consider requests where ever possible, sometimes it is impossible to accommodate them. Finally, please be aware that there is no rush to get your requests in because we will not be considering them until mid-May.

Yours truly,

D. DeRose,
Principal

Play First Lunch Break

Upon returning from Spring Break, students will be enjoying a 'Play First' lunch break. From 12:00 noon – 12:31pm children will go outside and enjoy some active outdoors time. A

12:31pm bell will ring signalling children to go inside, wash up and then to their classrooms to eat their lunches. Afternoon classes will commence at the regular time, 12:51pm and dismissal is still at 2:30pm.

SOME OF THE BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Benefits! ✓ Improved student behaviour on the playground and in the classroom.
- ✓ Fewer accidents during the lunch break.
- ✓ Less litter on the school ground and inside the school.
- ✓ Students return to the classroom quickly.
- ✓ Increased food and drink consumption.
- ✓ Students are quieter and calmer, and focused on eating rather than thinking about getting outside to play.
- ✓ Students are more settled and ready to learn when they are not hungry.

BOTTLE DRIVE - GRADE 7 YEAR-END FUNDRAISER

The parents of this year's grade 7 students are hosting a bottle drive. All funds raised will be used towards some fun year-end activities for the Grade 7's.

★ APRIL 17, 18 & 19th empties can be dropped off any time to: ★ 3175 Wawn Court.

Grade 7 Students - Baby / Infant Pictures Needed!

Parents/Guardians of Grade 7 students: Baby/infant photos are needed for the year end slide show. Please email a scanned picture of your child to: landygo@telus.net. If you are unable to scan a photo, you may also drop off a non-returnable **COPY** of your child's photo at the school's office.



BOOGIE THE BRIDGE

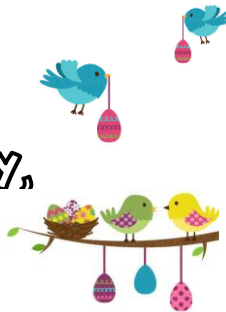
DAVID THOMPSON has started a school 'BOOGIE' team!

In the weeks to come all students at DT will be taking part in a walk/jog/run program to prepare for a community event called 'Kamloops Boogie the Bridge' run. Emphasis will be on making fitness fun, non-competitive, empowering and do-able for all kids! At Boogie, kids are #1! All DT students and families are welcome to participate in the actual Boogie Run on Sunday, April 27th @ 8:30am. To register go on-line to: www.boogiethebridge.com, school team name: David Thompson Tigers. Please contact Mrs. Hansen for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!! Parents/Guardians we need your help with the school's Boogie Run in the morning of April 24th. Primary students will run at 9:00am and intermediate students will run after recess ☺ Please email Liz Jensen or Terri Hansen if you need more info or if you are able to help out with this event: ejensen@sd73.bc.ca or tmhansen@sd73.bc.ca.

PAC NEWS

**PAC Meeting: Wednesday,
April 9th @ 6:30pm -
Library**



*** Child minding available ***

**REMEMBER TO WEAR
RED ON APRIL 24TH,
BOOGIE RUN DAY.**

Yearbook Orders

☆Yearbook orders are

Due...APRIL 15TH!!!

☆order forms must be

accompanied with payment -
cash or cheque, made payable to
DT PAC.

☆Yearbooks can also be ordered

online at: ybpay.lifetouch.com

School code: 11343515

LATE ORDERS CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED

• CLASS PICTURE DAY •



• ON APRIL 22ND EACH CLASS WILL BE HAVING THEIR GROUP PHOTO TAKEN.

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<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
			<u>01</u> <u>Hot Dog Lunch Day @12:00pm</u>	<u>02</u>	<u>03</u> <u>Good Friday</u> 	<u>04</u>
<u>05</u>	<u>06</u> <u>Easter Monday</u> 	<u>07</u> Day of Sucwentwecw – Assembly @ 10:40	<u>08</u> <u>Pizza Lunch Day</u>	<u>09</u> <u>PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm - Library</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u> <u>Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo Lunch Day</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> <u>Jump Rope for '♥' Presentation</u>	<u>EARTH DAY 22</u> <u>Chopped Leaf Lunch Day</u> <u>Class Group Photos</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>
<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u> <u>Senor Froggy Lunch Day</u>	<u>30</u>		