

Weekly Newsletter # 13 Written by George R. Harding, Principal  
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At Nakusp Elementary Learning Is In Our Nature

Thursday, Dec. 10, 2009

**Dates:**

**PAC Meeting**

**3rd Wednesday**

Next meeting:

**Wednesday,**  
**Jan. 20,** in  
the NES li-  
brary. 7:00-  
8:00 pm. **No PAC**  
**meeting in De-**  
**cember.**

**Student Council Events**

Dec. 17—Door Decorating  
Judging and Pyjama Day  
Jan. 14—Snow Day  
Jan. 28—Talent Day  
Feb. 12—Valentines Dance/  
Candy Grams  
Feb. 25—Hat Day  
March 17—St. Patrick's Day  
(Wear Green Day)  
March 25—Crazy Hair Day  
April 1—Egg Hunt  
April 22—Earth Day: Plant a  
flower day  
May 6—Tie Day  
May 20—Twin Day  
June 10—Peace Out Day  
June 24—Cave Man Day

**Assembly**

Each Monday morning 9:00  
If there is no school on am  
the Monday there will  
not be an assembly that  
week.

**H1N1 Up-Date #7**

Parents please continue to telephone us when your child is away since we are reporting our absentee rates to Public Health. Keep your child home from school if they are ill and seek medical attention if concerned. Health questions and concerns can be addressed by calling 811. Our absentee numbers since last newsletter are: Fri. Dec. 4 - 6.2%, Mon. Dec. 7- 7.11%, Tues. Dec. 8- 5.3%, Wed. Dec. 9- 6.6%, Thurs. Dec. 10- 4.8%.

**Legion Remembrance Day Awards** Cheryl and Harvey Truax from our local Legion presented awards to many of our students at our assembly on Monday. The students received certificates and cash prizes. The Legion was very pleased that 158 students from Nakusp Elementary participated in the poster, essay and poem contest. I would like to thank the staff for encouraging their students to participate. Without this support our students would not be as enthusiastic. The message behind Remembrance Day is so important and the Legion works hard to let the younger generations know about the sacrifices made by Canadians and the need for world peace.

**Student Photos** We have contacted Mountain West Studios about the expected arrival date of the student photos. They say that the photos should be here tomorrow or early next week. Retakes will be here before school closes for the holidays. We will be given an earlier photo day next year so that we do not run into this problem of you having to delay sending off your Christmas cards because the photos haven't arrive yet. Please continue to be patient.

**Ski Hill Fundraising** The schools will be sending out a notice soon about giving the community the opportunity to support the ski hill and the school ski program through making a donation to the school district extracurricular account. Tax receipts will be issued.

**Pyjama Day** is coming next week! On Thursday, December 17th wear your PJs to school. This activity is sponsored by Student Council.

**Ski Fittings** Ski fittings for the school downhill ski program happened today in preparation for the ski days after the holidays. We do not know the schedule yet but will post them as soon as we receive them.

*Dress for the winter weather.*

## Community News

### Holiday Hamper

The Community Services Holiday Hamper request form is available at the Community Services Office or at the Nakusp Elementary office. **Deadline for applications is today December 10th.**

**Nakusp & District Minor Hockey** Association presents the "Hooked on Hockey" Raffle. 1st Prize: 110cc Mini GIO ATV with Helmet & ATV Cover (value \$1200), 2nd Prize: 2 Tickets to Canucks vs. Senators on Mar.13/10 (value \$375) 3rd Prize: Apple Ipod Nano 8GB 5th Generation (value \$175). Tickets \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. Draw date: Saturday, January 23/10 at the Nakusp Midget's Home game. Tickets go on sale Monday, November 30, 2009 and are available from the Concession Booth at the Nakusp Arena Complex, any Nakusp Minor Hockey Player & Coach or call Andrea Coates @ 250 265-3114. Good Luck!

**The Hills Nordic Ski Club (HNSC)** will be offering a Saturday morning kids cross country ski program starting in January 2010. The cost of the program is \$40 per child or \$40 for a family membership. The emphasis will be on fun and skill development. The Saturday morning sessions will be held at several locations including the Wensley Creek trails in Nakusp, Hills and the Slocan Rail trail.

The HNSC is also offering a ski trade up program for kids age 5 to 12 years. This is an excellent opportunity to either rent or buy cross country ski equipment for your child at very reasonable rates.

Please contact Kip Drobish in Hills at 358-2660 or kip@netidea.com for more information.

### Free Community Movie

The annual Overwaitea Christmas Show presents **Dr. Seuss HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS** Saturday, December 12th at 1:00 p.m. Free admission with donation to the Food Bank

**Fox Meadows Equine Centre** Are you interested in horse riding lessons? Faye Fox is offering lessons. Weekly lessons are available as a group or private format. Own horse is not necessary. There will also be Day Camps in July. A day camp package would make a great Christmas gift. Call for more information. 250-265-4393 **Posters are displayed at the school.**

### School Calendar 2009-2010

**Please keep this calendar for your records**

December 15 Concert dress rehearsal  
11:00-12:00.  
December 16 Christmas Concert 7 pm  
Classes: Ms. Roberts, Ms. McLean, Mrs.  
McQuair, Mrs. Zeleznik  
December 18 Last day of school before  
Christmas Vacation  
December 21-January 1 Christmas Va-  
cation  
January 4, 2010 School Opens

January 15 Professional Development  
Day (No School)  
February 19 Professional Development  
Day (No School)  
**March 4 Report Cards go home**  
March 8-March 12 Spring Break  
March 15 School Opens  
April 2 Good Friday  
April 5 Easter Monday  
April 14 Performance 1:00 p.m. Norman

Foote  
**April 28 & 29 Parent-teacher Interviews**  
April 28 Performance 11:00 a.m. Project  
Soul  
May 7 Professional Development Day  
(No School)  
May 24 Victoria Day  
**June 28 Report Cards go home**  
June 29 Last day of school  
June 30 Administration day for staff