



NAKUSP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OCTOBER 2023

Greetings Nakusp Elementary Families:

It is hard to believe Halloween is upon us already! The school is full of costumed students excited for a spooky evening of trick or treating. Another busy month here at Nakusp Elementary! Classes are fully engaged in learning and our targeted Math and Literacy programs are up and running. Thanks to parents for such great attendance at our conferences!

Our extracurricular programming is all up and running now. Fall clubs are running and almost all our students are accessing a club on Tuesdays or Wednesdays. These clubs represent a coming together of community and school to benefit our students; we are grateful for community leaders' willingness to share their talents with our kids! Intramural teams kicked off at our last assembly and games start next week.

Intermediate students experiential learning is also up and running. Students have been split into 4 groups that meet once a week for this program. We have Drama, Oral language, Outdoor education, and Service-learning components that students will cycle through this year. Our service-learning group is supporting ASLCS "Better at home" program by raking leaves, visiting Halcyon Home to read with residents, and lastly, working with FireSmart coordinator Noel Ballard to remove ladder fuels in the school forest and in the community.

Primary classes have been busy as well. NES had many parents join the grade 2/3 classes for the math learning linked pumpkin carving exercise! Students also had visits from Nakusp Volunteer Fire Department members for Fire Safety week. Primary and intermediate classes took part in Bear Aware training too!

NES PAC hosted parent sessions with Marije van Engelen were very well attended! These evening sessions focussed on a variety of topics and parents who attended shared they were very valuable. Thanks, PAC!

NES coming events include Parent sessions hosted by Mrs. Teresa Weatherhead on how to be an "Approachable Adult" around sexual health issues. This two part session will be held Nov 1 and Nov 8 in the Bonnington from 6-8.

NES will have a Remembrance Day assembly on November 10 at 9:05AM. Mr. Van Brummelen and the grade 7 class are putting this assembly together this year. We will be honouring our veterans and giving thanks for the peace we are currently enjoying here in Canada. NES regular assembly will be on Nov 15 and parents are welcome to attend either assembly.

The SD10 board of trustees and Superintendent Peter Dubinsky, along with a group of educators, has been working hard on the new Strategic Plan document. Parents are encouraged read this document and to provide feedback using the attached link. <https://sd10.bc.ca/board-of-education/district-strategic-plan/>

Thanks as always for your continued support of our school, we value the home/school connection that exists and are happy to receive feedback on what we are doing well and ideas for improvements. Please email mike.hibberson@sd10.bc.ca with any feedback you might have.

Best regards,

Mike Hibberson

Principal



Staff Directory

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EXTENSION

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Tim Van Brummelen

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TEACHERS

Sheri Boswell	Kindergarten
Marsha Roberts	Grade K/1
Jenna Arnold	Grade 2/3
Patti Zeleznik	Grade 2/3
Karlee Cook	Grade 3/4
Andrea Volansky	Grade 4
Elizabeth Tupper	Grade 5/6
Anita Vibe	Grade 5/6
Katie Oakes	Grade 7
Ethan McCluskey	PE/IST
Kim Hood	Learning Resource
Claire Jackson	Learning Resource
Brenda McQuair	Learning Resource
Megan Martin	Teacher Librarian

EDUCATION ASSISTANTS

Doreen Yano
Dorraine Gustafson
Michele Hildebrand
Charlene Lintott
Candace Sollows
Melanie Levitt
Tammy Merry
Cathy Quigley
Meaghynne Jones

STRONG START

Nancy Bone

CUSTODIANS

Faye Fox & Beth Gaudrealt

Please visit our Facebook Page "Nakusp Elementary School" for all our current information, or www.sd10.bc.ca

Important Dates for October & November

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Oct. 31 Halloween—Stay Safe
Haunted Caboose



Nov. 1—Picture Retake Day

PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Nov. 5 Daylight Savings

Nov. 10—Remembrance Day Assembly
- 9:05 AM in the gym
- Families are invited to attend



Nov. 13—Remembrance Day Stat
- classes not in session

Nov. 15 Assembly—9:05 AM in the gym-
Nov. 17 Spirit Day—Dress up Disney

CLUBS SCHEDULE

Primary	Tuesday's	Art	Mrs. Zeleznik's classroom
		Parkour/Games	Gym
		Robotics	Multipurpose Room
Primary	Wednesday's	Crafts	Ms. Robert's classroom
		Dungeons and Dragons	Mrs. Tupper's classroom
Intermediate	Tuesday's	Biking	Field
		Rainbow	IST Room
Intermediate	Wednesday's	Soccer	Field/Gym
		Drama	Bonnington
		Art	Mrs. Cook's classroom
		Dungeons and Dragons	Mrs. Tupper's classroom

A huge thank-you to our teachers, EA's parent volunteer and community volunteers for all your after school efforts.

Upcoming Student Council Events

Spirit Days

Haunted Caboose—Classes will be walking down to tour the caboose. Wear your costumes



2023 TRYAthlon Results

1st —Jaxx, Lane, Levi

2nd — James, Fisher, Ben

3rd—Jessy, Ali, Maddie

Congratulations to all the
teams!

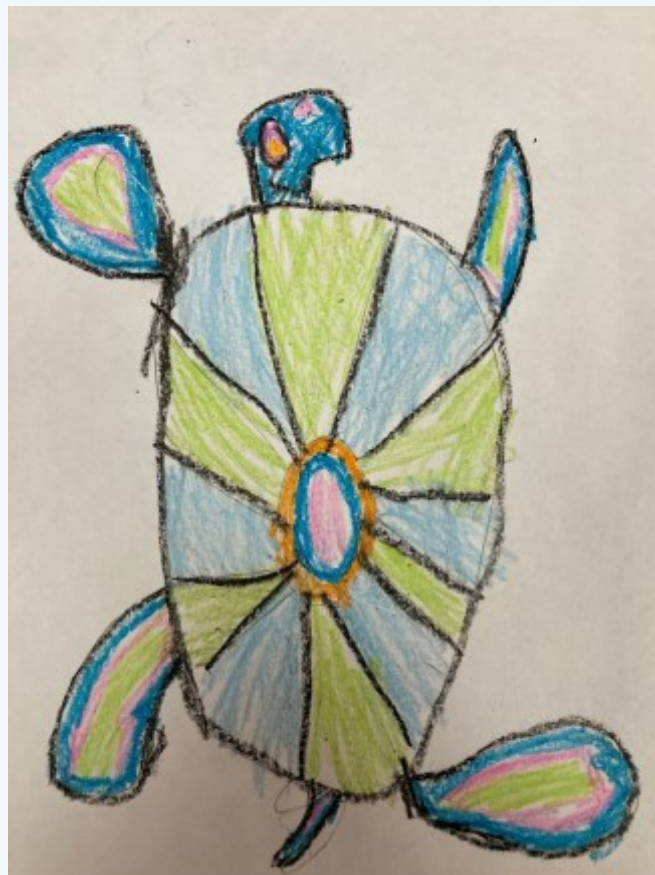


News from the Indigenous Education Department

The past month students have been making strides in their own personal growth and their learning of the 7 Grandfather Teachings. As the weather is getting colder, and the frost is beginning to show its face, we are spending more time inside. I think of the teachings of the turtle at this time of year. The turtle teaches truth. When everyone is bundling up and staying inside, I like to pretend I am in my shell staying warm. While in my “shell” I am able to think about my own truth and how I am living my truth.

Students have connected with the turtle through teachings from our Elder Mr. Michael Garvey. They have also been working hard on a turtle drawing inspired by a Canadian Indigenous artist named Norval Morrisseau. While working on their turtles the students have been reflecting on the truths and rules of the world that the turtle has already taught them.

Submitted by Mr. McCluskey



Community News

NAKUSP SKI CLUB
& SUMMIT LAKE SKI AND SNOWBOARD AREA

WINTER GEAR SWAP & SEASON PASS SALE

Last chance for IN PERSON EARLY BIRD season pass sales



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4
NAKUSP HIGH SCHOOL GYM

Gear Drop Off at 9am

Swap & Sale 10AM-1PM


Unsold gear must be picked up by 2pm

Gear in good condition will be accepted for swapping.
Disclaimer: The purchaser of equipment assumes all risk involved with purchasing used gear and Nakusp Ski Club and Summit Lake Ski and Snowboard Area are not responsible for any risks involved with using purchased gear.

More info: www.skisummitlake.com

Vocal Yoga

At the Nakusp Rec. Center!



Ideal for *anyone* looking to improve posture, vocal projection, theatrical performance, singing, or just looking to experiment with something new in a fun environment!

This class is **open to all**
No experience is necessary

Thursdays
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30
6-7pm

\$10 Drop-In

Mats available to borrow

With accomplished opera singer Katarzyna Sadej, previous performer at venues such as Carnegie Hall, LA Opera and the London Philharmonic, among *many* others





**FREE
SESSIONS!
REGISTER
NOW!**

Math Made Simple: Parent Edition

Trying to help your kids with their math homework, but need some help yourself?

Join us for digestible math sessions to improve your skills and build your math confidence. Bring your questions too!

For more information contact Nat Howard (250) 365-7292 ext. 27102 or email nhoward@selkirk.ca

DETAILS

**Five Wednesdays!
November 15 to
December 13, 2023
6–8 pm
Nakusp Learning
Centre**