

NewsFlash

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January 20, 2023

OH MY GOODNESS!



Words cannot begin to express my gratitude for the generosity and kindness demonstrated today for our "Popcorn Sale for Shai" event, sponsored by the PAC. While the final total isn't quite available, a rough estimate shows over \$1100 was raised to support Shai and his family during this very difficult time! Thank you syuwenct for sharing you love for Shai!

Check out the photo of the popcorn delivery team – Shai's class, along with their big buddies!



WE ARE **syuwénct** SPIRITS!

We encouraged students to show their school spirit today, wearing their school spirit wear if they had it. Don't worry if you missed the first opportunity to get something – we are planning on doing another order before Spring Break!



CALENDAR UPDATES!

Please note that all the events are on our school website https://ct.schools.sd68.bc.ca/ thanks to Mrs. Lundine's careful attention to detail!

January 26 Month End Assembly Div 1 and Div 9 11:00 am

January 27 July in January

Fun Lunch - Barburrito January 27 February 6 **District Professional Day School-Based Professional Day** February 7 February 10 Report Cards emailed home Fun Lunch - Pizza Hut February 10

Valentine's Day February 14

Swim 2 Survive Grade 3 - Classroom session February 17

February 20 **Family Day Holiday** February 22 **Pink Shirt Day**

Assembly Div 8 and 15 11:00 am February 23 February 24 Grade 3 Swim 2 Survive - Pool February 24 Fun Lunch – Noodle Box

March 3 Grade 3 Swim to Survive - Pool

March 8 **One Colour Wednesday** March 10 Grade 3 Swim to Survive March 10 Jump Rope for Heart

March 10 Last Day before Spring Break

March 10 Fun Lunch - Subway

March 13-24 Spring Break March 27 School resumes

Kindergarten Hearing and Dental screening March 28

March 30 Month End Assembly March 31 **Fun Lunch - Cobs**

Friday January 27 is "July in January!"

Find your shorts, t-shirts, sun hats, sunglasses, and anything else (except your bathing suits) that make you think of summer and dress the part. Layering is totally acceptable!

Join the fun in the gym at long recess for limbo, skipping and more!

STEWARDS OF THE LAND

We are in year three of our partnership with NALT (The Nanaimo Area Land Trust), and our students are fully engaged in their responsibility of being "Stewards of the Land", including the beautiful Northfield Marsh that we are so fortunate to be able to learn from. NALT lessons are continuing in classrooms, as seen here with a watershed lesson in Mr. Drown's class this week.





Many of our classes go on walks to the marsh daily, and they are getting really good at recognizing things that need attention. One exciting change this year is the new information sign that has been installed by the City of Nanaimo, through consultation with NALT and our school, that will allow us to post what is happening in the marsh for all visitors to see, as seen above. Stay tuned! More detail will be added to the sign to tie in all of the work that is being done.

CHILD GOING TO BE AWAY?

Email info.CT@sd68.bc.ca or call us at 250-729-0450.

Our new name populates in the email message (3)



HELP US LOOK AFTER THE MARSH!

One of the focuses of our work with NALT has been on restoring and replanting the trails with indigenous plants. Students have worked really hard at removing invasive species, and through a grant from BC Hydro we were able to begin the process of replanting the trail with indigenous species. But, we need your help! The dumping of yard waste is choking the marsh! It may seem like a natural thing to dump organics from yards (grass clippings, pruning debris, etc.) in this green space, yet the dumping is suffocating the plants and polluting the water. Please! Help us help the marsh and Mother Earth by respecting the "no dumping" signs. Ms. Pakulak's class collected the pile of organics that were removed in the last invasive species removal to help set the tone!

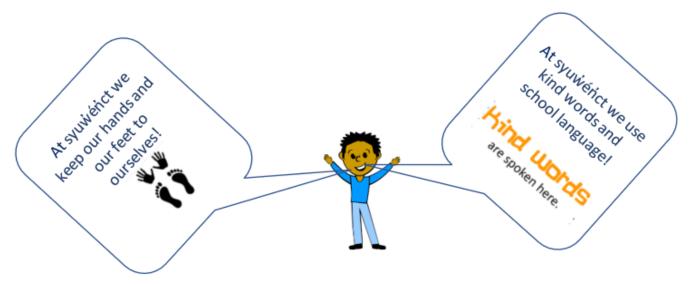


HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Many classes spent time this week learning about Chinese New Year, the Year of the Rabbit! Ms. Savage's grade 1s had a parade through the school with the dragon puppets, while Ms. Lupichuk sent the beautiful dragon image that was created by her grade 2s!





Our common expectations are reinforced daily.





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