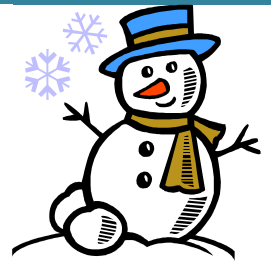




# MID MONTH NEWSLETTER



January 17, 2011

250-499-5617

<http://www.cps.sd53.bc.ca>

## Important Dates to Remember

- January 17 - newsletter with PAC Subway order envelope
- January 17 - March 11 - Kindergarten Registration for 2011-12 school year
- January 17 - February 25 - Grade 4 Foundation Skills Assessments
- January 20 - PAC Subway orders due (no lates accepted)
- January 27 - Author's Tea (see attached letter of invitation)
- January 28 - PAC Subway Day
  - Hearing Retests
  - Family Movie Night @ SESS (see attached)
- February 9 - Aboriginal Family Night @ CPS



## Kindergarten Registration

Calling all Kindergarten Students!! Registration for our 2011-12 Kindergarten class begins on January 17 (children born in 2006). Please bring your child's birth certificate and Care Card when you come to register.

We would again ask that you register your child as soon as possible. Please pass on this information to any families who do not have children attending Cawston School. Our staffing and budget decisions are based on the enrollment we have set in March so we need to have every child that we know will be in Kindergarten registered by then, so they can be included in our enrollment count.

## Authors' Tea

To help celebrate Family Literacy Day on Thursday, January 27, we will have an Authors' Tea at Cawston School from 11:00 - 12:00. You will find an invitation from your child's classroom teacher attached to this newsletter, describing how the class will celebrate the "authors" in their room. We would love to have our families come and celebrate with us. The Authors' Tea will be followed by tea or Tim Horton's coffee for the adults and cookies for everyone. See you January 27!



## Foundation Skills Assessments

Our Grade 4 students will be doing the provincial Foundation Skills Assessments (FSA) between January 17 and February 25. These assessments, which include reading comprehension, writing and math tests, are based on the provincial curriculum and are done by all Grade 4 and 7 students in the province. Results will be sent to parents after the Spring Break. If our Grade 4 parents have any questions about the FSA, please contact Ms. Thiel at the office.

## PAC Subway Day

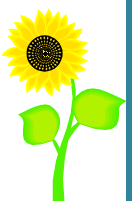
The order envelope for the PAC Subway Day coming up on Friday, January 28 is attached to this newsletter. Orders must be returned to the office by **Thursday, January 20** so Subway can order in supplies. Late orders cannot be accepted.

We want to say a special thank you to Lillian Kyle at Subway. This month, students will be getting a 6 inch sub and we have not had to raise the cost of the meal. Thanks to Lillian for giving us such a great deal!



## News from the PAC

We Did It! We have enough money to buy our playground! At the January 11<sup>th</sup> PAC meeting, the PAC passed a motion to purchase the playground. The PAC also donated money to the school to support the Breakfast Program, buy Birthday Books for next year and purchase one piece of gymnastics equipment. A huge Sunflower thank you to our PAC for all they are doing for the students of Cawston School.



**LOWER SIMILKAMEEN  
FAMILY LITERACY DAY EVENT**



Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup>  
Cawston Community Hall  
4:00p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Free Admission!**

*Everyone Welcome!*

**Light dinner and dessert**



Featuring  
Michelle Thrush

**Majica**

The aboriginal  
clown at 4:30  
p.m.!

**Catherine  
Jameson  
Reads  
Zoe and  
The Fawn**



*Sarah Peterson,  
Okanagan Elder  
tells a story*

**Door  
Prizes!**

**Displays, book  
sale, scavenger  
hunt,  
wall crossword,  
hall of fame!**



Co-hosted by Ntamtqen snma'a?m'aya?tn  
Education Centre and Similkameen Family Literacy  
Lower Similkameen  
Community Services Society

# Short Story Contest!

*Wintertime*

Simply write a short story on the theme  
"wintertime" and submit to the Keremeos library.

ages 6-9 under 100 words

ages 10-15 under 500 words

Prizes include childrens books  
as well as gift certificates worth up to \$50



**Deadline 5 pm Tuesday,  
January 25<sup>th</sup>. All entries must  
be on letter-sized paper, with  
the author's name, age, and  
phone number.**

**Winners chosen based on  
creativity and readability.  
Prizes awarded January 27<sup>th</sup>.  
See the Family Literacy Table  
at The Keremeos Library.**

a program of Similkameen Family Literacy  
and Lower Similkameen Community Services Society.



[www.literacynowso-s.ca](http://www.literacynowso-s.ca)

## Family Literacy Day Celebration

Presented by: Literacy Now  
South Okanagan-Similkameen  
Saturday, January 22, 2011  
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Cherry Lane Shopping Centre, Penticton  
A fun day out for the entire family!

Throughout the day entertainment includes:  
Mingling Magic, Clowning Around, Singing, Dancing,  
Storytelling and Drama.

**Lots and lots of draw prizes and books!**



### Fill the FIT!

Penticton Honda is providing a  
Honda Fit for our Book Drive. We  
are asking for your help to "Fill  
the Fit" with gently used  
children's and youth books. Bring  
your books all week from Jan.  
17<sup>th</sup> to Jan. 22 and drop them in  
marked bins by the car (near  
Booster Juice) or bring your  
books to Family Literacy day on

There will be lots of  
activities for kids of all  
ages as well as  
information about  
learning. The entire  
length of the mall will be  
filled with interactive  
information booths –  
story telling, crafts,  
puppets, face painting and  
more!