



Cawston Courier

Cawston Primary School

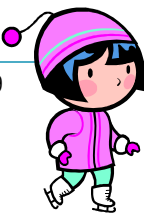



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January Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3	4	5 Newsletter and Term 2 overviews sent home	6 NO MEAL PROGRAM	7 Skating Permission Forms are due.
10 Skating Program	11 Skating Program PAC Meeting -7:00	12 Skating Program 	13 Skating Program Meal Program resumes	14 PAC Popcorn Day 
17 Mid-month Newsletter with PAC Subway envelopes 2011-2012 Kindergarten Registration begins	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27 Author's Tea 	28 PAC subway Day 
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Coming in February & March:

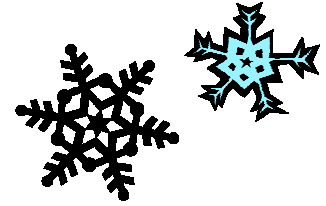
Wednesday, February 9 – Aboriginal Family
Night at CPS
Report Cards – Before March Break
March Break – March 21-April 1

Attached to this newsletter:

- Term 2 Classroom Overviews
- Skating Permission Forms
- StrongStart calendar
- Free Skating Pass
- January Meal Envelope



January Activities & Information



Term 2 Overviews

Attached to this newsletter is a Term 2 Overview - a summary of what your child will be studying during Term 2. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call your child's teacher.

Authors' Tea

Thursday, January 27 is Family Literacy Day! To celebrate, we will be holding an Authors' Tea at Cawston School, featuring the writing of our students. All the details will be included in our mid-month newsletter. Please mark this special date on your calendar.



PAC Meeting

Our next PAC meeting will be in the school library on Tuesday, January 11 at 7:00 p.m. All parents are welcome to join us.



PAC Popcorn Day

Our PAC will be selling popcorn to the students at 12:30 on Friday, January 14. The popcorn costs \$1.00 a bag - a great snack for the students and a fundraiser for our PAC.

Special Presentations

We were very fortunate to have Ms. Michelle Thrush present drama lessons with a focus on social responsibility to Mr. Bridgman, Mr. Fairbrother and Miss Webster's classes in late November. During January, Ms. Thrush will do similar lessons for all our other classes. Presentations will focus on feelings and respect for self and others. A gigantic thank you to Ms. Thrush for taking the time to share her unique acting talents with our students. She has a special gift and we are honored to have her share it with us. Ms. Thrush is currently appearing in two television series which run on the Aboriginal Television Network.

High Five Focus

Mr. Bridgman's Grade 4 class will be doing our High Five bulletin board and morning announcements in January. Our focus will be "Strive for your personal best".

Thanks to Mr. Fairbrother's class who led our High Five focus "Cooperate" in the month of December.

Recess/Lunch Breaks

With the cold days of winter upon us, please be sure your children are dressed for the weather! Except for especially cold days, we have the children go outside for some fresh air and play for at least part of the recess/lunch breaks. Mittens, toques, winter jackets and boots are needed. Thank You!!



Salmon Fry Release Program



Miss Webster's Grade 3 class and Ms. Ring, our Aboriginal Support Worker, are once again working with the Fisheries Salmon Fry Release program. The salmon fry will be arriving shortly and Miss Webster's class will care for the fry until they are released into the Okanagan River in May.

PAC Subway Day

The PAC will hold a special meal - Subway Day - on Friday, January 28. We will send home the order envelopes with our mid-month newsletter on January 17. Thanks to the PAC parents who make this treat possible for our students.



School Meal Program

January Meals Menu

January 6	NO LUNCH SERVED.
January 13	Pizza Pop, Caesar Salad, Fruit
January 20	Soft Shell Beef Taco (with lettuce & cheese), fruit
January 27	Chicken Burger, Green Salad, Fruit

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration for the 2011-12 school year will begin on January 17 and continue until March 11. Children born during 2006 will be eligible for the full-day Kindergarten program at Cawston School.

We ask that you register your child as soon as possible. Staffing and budget decisions for 2011-12 are made in March/April and our upcoming Kindergarten registration enrollment is counted along with the rest of the school numbers. In these days of budget cutbacks, it is extremely important for us to know exactly how many children will be coming into Kindergarten next year. If you know of any children living in the community who do not have siblings in our school, please let them know how important it is that they register their child during the registration period.

Please bring your child's birth certificate and Health Care Card when you come to register.

We will be offering a "Welcome to Kindergarten" celebration later this spring. All children who are registered for our September 2011 Kindergarten classes will be invited (by mail) to this special event!

Head Lice

We will do a school-wide lice check during this first week back at school. Thank you to all our families for their continuing support of our lice prevention programs. Please call us at the school if you find lice or nits in your child's hair; we then check classmates to ensure the lice has not spread to others. We also ask that you continue to check regularly for lice and nits at home.

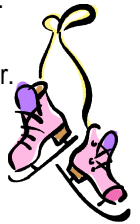
Special thanks to our PAC who supply lice shampoo to families who need it. This has made a big difference in helping us keep the lice situation to a very minimal level.

Free Skating Pass

"Friends of the Keremeos Skating Rink" have donated a free skating pass to all Cawston students, to be used by January 28. It is attached to this newsletter. Happy Skating!

School Skating Program

We have scheduled our skating classes for January 10, 11, 12 and 13. All classes will skate three times. The permission forms that must be signed and returned by January 7 are attached to this newsletter.



If your child has skates and/or a CSA approved skating helmet, please have them use these for skating. We also have a class set of skating helmets available for the students to use. **STUDENTS MUST WEAR A SKATING HELMET.**

Parent volunteers will be needed to help with lacing up skates. Your help and support is always appreciated!



School Skating Schedule

		Monday, Jan.10	Tuesday, Jan 11	Wednesday, Jan 12	Thursday, Jan. 13
SKATE TIMES	TIME THE BUS LEAVES SCHOOL				
9:00 -10:00	8:45	Mr. Bridgman Mr. Fairbrother	Miss Webster Mrs. Bews	Mr. Bridgman Mr. Fairbrother	
10:00 -11:00	9:45	Miss Webster Mrs. Bews	Mr. Lucich Miss Martin	Miss Webster Mrs. Bews	Mr. Lucich Miss Martin
11:00 -12:00	10:45	Mr. Lucich Miss Martin	Mr. Bridgman Mr. Fairbrother	Mrs. Brunton Mrs. Keyes	Mrs. Brunton Mrs. Keyes
1:15 -2:15	1:00	Mrs. Brunton Mrs. Keyes	Ms. Kruger Mrs. Reichl	Ms. Kruger Mrs. Reichl	Ms. Kruger Mrs. Reichl

Christmas Concerts

A Sunflower thank you to all our families and our surrounding communities for supporting our Christmas Concert. We hope you enjoyed it!

Special thanks to Mrs. Nunes who directed the concert and to all the staff and students for their hard work and effort. It was a busy, exciting time for us!!!



PAC Christmas Basket Raffle

Our PAC basket raffle was an enormous success!!! Thank you to everyone who bought tickets and special thanks to the Cawston/Keremeos businesses who displayed the baskets for us. We drew for the basket winners at our evening Christmas Concert. The winners were as follows:

Craft Basket - Steve Anderson

Christmas Basket - Jack Weber

Webkinz & Games Basket - Sarah Hare

Coffee/Chocolate Basket B - Ken Waterston



Family Basket - Brian Tucker

Gardening Basket - Harry Sanders

Coffee/Chocolate Basket A - Nick Morley

Community Coloring Contest

As you know, our community sponsored a coloring contest in conjunction with the Christmas Light Up Celebrations on December 3. The following students were honored at a special ceremony on December 4:

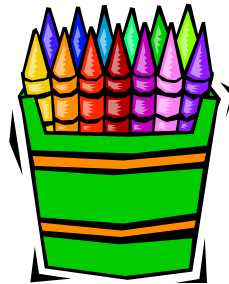
Kindergarten - Leah Riegling

Grade 1 - Kaytie Woodin

Grade 2 - Jasmin Gill

Grade 3 - Derek Brunton

Grade 4 - Aidan Neilson



The pictures colored by all the students in the school were displayed in several of the downtown businesses throughout the month of December.

Christmas Hampers

Special thanks to all our families who donated boxes and boxes of food and gifts for the Similkameen Hamper Fund. The spirit of giving was certainly evident at Cawston School - thanks for your donations.

