



Cawston Courier

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March Calendar

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| Feb. 28 Newsletter & March meal envelopes home | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7 | 8 PAC Meeting 7:00 | 9 | 10 | 11 Gr. 4 Surveys Due PAC Popcorn Day |
| 14 | 15 | 16 Report Cards home | 17  | 18 Last day before Spring Break |
| 21 | ← Spring Break – No School → | | | 25 |
| 28 | ← Spring Break – No School → | | | April 1 |



Sunday
March 13

Note: No PAC Subway Day in March

Important Dates in April

- April 4 - School Reopens
- April 5 - Newsletter home
- April 12 & April 14 - Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences (Dismissal 12:00)
- April 11, 12, 13, 14 - Book Fair
- April 20 - Ready Set Learn for 3 and 4 year olds
- April 22 - Good Friday - no school
- April 25 - Easter Monday - no school
- April 29 - District Pow Wow at SESS

Attached to this newsletter:

- School Meal Envelope
- StrongStart Calendar
- CAPC Calendar

March Meals

- Mar. 3 Pizza Pop, Green Salad, Baby Carrots, Fruit
- Mar. 10 Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Caesar Salad, Fruit
- Mar. 17 Chicken Burgers, Veggies & Dip, Fruit





Coming in March



Report Cards

Term 2 report cards will be sent home on Wednesday, March 16. We have Parent Conferences coming on April 12 and 14 but if you have any questions or concerns about the report card or your child's progress, please do not hesitate to call your child's teacher before the conferences.



PAC Meeting

Please join us for our regular March PAC meeting on Thursday, March 8 at 7:00 in our school library. All parents are always welcome.

PAC Popcorn Day

Our next PAC Popcorn Day will be on Friday, March 11. Thanks, as always, to our dedicated popcorn poppers who make this special treat for our students. Please note - there is NO PAC Subway Day in March.



Grade 4 FSAs

Our Grade 4 students have completed their Foundation Skills Assessments (FSAs), the provincial reading, writing and math tests that are written by all BC Grade 4 students in February. The tests are currently being marked and the results will be mailed to parents either before or just after Spring Break.

Last Call for Kindergarten Registration

Please - one last call for any children born in 2006 who will be registering for Kindergarten in September 2011. The deadline for registration is Friday, March 11. Please pass on the word to anyone out in the community you know of that might need this information.

High Five Focus

Our High Five Focus for March will be "Be Safe". Miss Kruger's Kindergarten class will be doing the bulletin board display on "Be Safe" and will read their "Be Safe" suggestions each morning on the announcements. Our High Five program is one of the many ways we help our students learn social responsibility.

Special thanks to Mrs. Brunton & Mrs. Nunes' class for their excellent "Be a Friend" suggestions in February.

Grade 4 Parent Satisfaction Survey

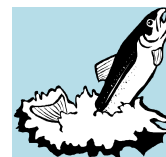
To our Grade 4 parents - if you have not already done so, please complete the Ministry Satisfaction Survey sent home with our mid-February newsletter. You can complete the survey online (at home or at school) or return a paper copy to the school. Please contact the office if you need more information about the survey form. Thank you to the families who have already taken the time to fill in the survey. We appreciate it!

Jumpstart Program

Canadian Tire is once again offering to help students in our district pay the registration and/or equipment costs for organized sports. This program is intended to help students, who, without this financial assistance, would not be able to participate in organized sports. If you would like to participate in the program, please contact Ms. Thiel at the office. Funding is limited so if you are planning to apply, please get your application in as soon as possible.

Salmon in the Classroom

Well, they are not quite salmon yet but hopefully, they soon will be... Miss Webster's Grade 3 class is once again participating in the Okanagan Nation Fisheries Salmon Fry Release program. Miss Webster's class received their salmon eggs in early December and have been carefully tending them since. The eggs have hatched and the students take turns feeding and caring for the fry. The class will join hundreds of other students at a big celebration later this spring when all the salmon fry are released into the Okanagan River.





Coming in April



Book Fair

The spring Scholastic Book Fair is fast approaching. Our book fair dates are April 11, 12, 13, 14. Mrs. Lucich is always looking for help with the book fair. Please phone the school or contact Mrs. Lucich if you are able to volunteer at our Book Fair.

Ready Set Learn

If you have three or four year old children, mark Wednesday, April 20 on your calendar. That will be the day of our annual Ready, Set, Learn celebration for three and four year old children. We

will have community support people (OSNS, dentist, library, health nurse, etc.) available to chat with. There will be literacy, math and craft activities and lunch for everyone. We look forward to seeing our parents and their 3 or 4 year olds there. The event will run from 11:00 - 12:30.

Please note - there will be a special Welcome to Kindergarten celebration in June for all children who are coming into Kindergarten in September 2011. We will send an invitation in the mail sometime in May notifying our upcoming Kindergarten students of the date/time for this event.



A Look Back at February



Mathathon

Thank you to all our families for their support of our annual Mathathon. Students practiced hard and did well on their quizzes. Please don't forget to send in your pledge money.

This year, all proceeds from our Mathathon will be used to help pay for our year end field trips. Thank you for making these possible with your support of our Mathathon.

Aboriginal Family Night

Thank you to all the families who came out for our Aboriginal Family Night on Wednesday, February 9. We had a great supper and a lot of wonderful fun and good visits.

Community Notices

Legion Poster Contest

Special congratulations to two Cawston students - Cody Kirton in Mr. Bridgman's class and Casey Taylor in Miss Webster's class. Cody's Remembrance Day poster won first prize in the Legion zone poster contest (an area that includes Kelowna, Penticton, Grand Forks and over to Princeton). Casey's poster won third prize.

Mrs. Bev Remizove from the Keremeos Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion presented cash prizes to Cody and Casey at a special assembly on February 10. Well Done Cody and Casey!



Do you want to become a better cook? Serve tasty foods?

Have fun and meet new people? Join our community kitchen! Cook with a Chef! Make great food to take home for your freezer for only 50c per serving. Cooking will take place on Mondays from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Family Centre, 310 Veterans Ave. Phone 250-499-2352 for more information or to sign up.

There will be a presentation on Marijuana and Mental Health, based on the David Suzuki narrated film, THE DOWN SIDE OF HIGH. It is scheduled for Wednesday, March 9 @ 7:00 at Penticton Secondary School's library. There will be a showing of the film and a panel of Mental Health professionals and caregivers. The presentation will be investigating the links that have been found between Mental Illness and Marijuana in some individuals and the potency of local marijuana.

Similkameen Family Literacy Day Writing Contest

Congratulations also go to Harjot Gill in Mrs. Keyes' Grade 1 class. Harjot's "Winter Story" won first prize for his age group in the Similkameen Family Literacy Day Writing Contest. About thirty other students won certificates and books for the great stories they entered into the contest.

