

EVELYN DICKSON SCHOOL ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

Hadih, Bonjour and Hello!

As we move into December, there is a wonderful sense of excitement building throughout our school. I'm pleased to share that our Winter Carnival is just around the corner!

You are invited to join us on Tuesday, December 16th from 4:00–6:00 p.m. for an evening of fun and community. We will have a variety of indoor and outdoor activities (weather permitting) for students and their families to enjoy together. Thank you to our PAC, who will be providing free hot chocolate to help keep everyone warm and cozy.

Our Student Council has also kicked off our 12 Days of Christmas activities today with festive paper wreath-making in classrooms. Tomorrow, students are encouraged to wear or bring a jingle bell to earn points for their house team. Over the next two weeks, we look forward to seeing the joy and creativity these activities bring!

We are also collecting non-perishable food items for Christmas Hampers. Each item donated will earn house team points—thank you for supporting our community during this season of giving.

Don't forget that Candygrams are on sale every day at lunch recess for 75 cents each! This is a fun way to spread a little "Candy Cane Cheer" to friends and staff while supporting our Student Council.

We are also very pleased to welcome Mr. Williams to our school. Mr. Williams is a UBC Teacher Candidate and he will be with us on a teaching practicum until December 12th. We are excited to have him as part of our learning community.

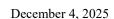
We have also added a few new processes to help support student safety:

- Attendance Calls: If your child is marked absent, Ms. Dunkley will now be calling home to confirm. Please help us by notifying the office ahead of time if your child will be away.
- Bus Student Check-Ins: We are now doing daily checks to ensure that all bus students get on the correct buses each afternoon. If your child normally rides the bus but will be picked up instead, please call the office so we can update our list for that day.

We truly appreciate your support with these changes as we work to ensure every child arrives at and leaves school safely.

We hope to see you at the Winter Carnival and look forward to celebrating together!

Warmly, Barb











DECEMBER MENU

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		Thursday	y Frid	ay	
1 Sausage and Eggs	Pizza – PAC	3 Beef Broccoli		Salmon Salad Wrap	5 Chili & Bun - B	5 Chili & Bun - Bakery	
8 Pancakes and Sausage	9 Hot Dogs for Whole School – PAC Lock Down <u>Practice</u> @10am	10 Tortellini in Marinara Sauce		11 Ham and Cheese Bu	12 Chili & Bun - B	12 Chili & Bun - Bakery	
15 Chicken Noodle Soup	16 PAC - Pizza	17 French Toast (National Maple Syrup Day) (V)		18 Chicken Caesar Wr.	19 Chili & Bun - B	19 Chili & Bun - Bakery	
Winter Break "Happy Holidays"	24 Winter Break "Happy Holidays"	Winter Break "Happy Holidays"		Winter Break "Happy Holidays"		Winter Break "Happy Holidays"	
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PAC HOT LUNCH



On Tuesday, December 9, our EDS PAC will be providing a <u>FREE</u> hot lunch for every EDS student. Each student will receive 1-2 hot dogs, a juice box, and a treat.

The PAC would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday season.



All parents and guardians are invited to attend the next PAC meeting on Wednesday December 10 at 6:30 in the EDS Library

MORNING DROP OFF

Just a reminder that we do not have supervision in place until 8:15 a.m. If you need to drop your child off before this, please contact the office to discuss arrangements.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DRILLS

All schools participate in Emergency Preparedness Drills each year. We will have six fire drills, two lockdown practices and an Earthquake drill. If your child talks to you about these drills, please reassure them that the practices are to ensure their safety in an emergency.









Inside vs Outside Days

We try to be outside as much as possible before and after school and during recess and lunch play time. Appropriate outdoor clothing is important. Inside days are determined by the weather and air quality.

On snow days please ensure your child is dressed to be warm, dry and comfortable when playing outside. Winter jacket, snow boots, snow pants and mittens.

It is also a good idea to send a change of clothing.



Register your kids for some of our December groups! We're planning board games, movies, chess, and more!

Ages: 6-12 years of age December 1, 10, & 17, 2025 3:00pm - 4:30pm

After school movies and board games! Pick one, two, or all three dates!

Ages: 10 - 18 years of age December 3, 2025 3:30 - 4:30pm

> Play chess with other kids! Practice your strategy and moves, as well as learn from each other!

For more information & to register, contact:

Declan Cooper-Smith

Email: dcooper-smith@connexus.ca Phone: (250) 570-1648





Communication with your Child's Teacher

Should you have any questions or concerns, you can always reach out to your child's teacher. If you are unsure how to contact them, you can always call our office and leave a message. If you prefer an email, please contact our office and we will ensure you get the information you



CAN SKATE REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Do you want to learn to skate or have a child that wants to learn to skate?

Registration is open for Nechako Figure Skating Club! Ages 3 and up

REGISTRATION LINK:

https://nechakofsc.uplifterinc.com/registration



Contact: nechakofsc@gmail.com www.nechakofsc.com





Evelyn Dickson School (Vanderhoof)



CELL PHONES

PERMITTED

AT SCHOOL



Visting our Building

Just a reminder to parents and guests that when you are visiting our building you must come directly to the office after entering the front door.

Visitors and parents are not permitted to go into classrooms or other areas of the school. Should there be a need to access the building, a visitor badge will be provided at the office.

Please contact Barb Ziler, Principal, should you have any questions.

12 days of Christmas



- 1st- December 4 Make a class wreath to hang on your bulletin board
- 2nd- December 5 Bring or wear a jingle bell for house team points
- 3rd- December 8 Learn a new Christmas song as a class
- 4th-December 9 Make snowflakes to decorate your class
- 5th-December 10 Do a Christmas Maze
- 6th -December 11 Make a Christmas Card for a community helper/first responder/or senior
- 7th -December 12 Wear Reindeer antlers for house team points
- 8th- December 15 Make a movable Gingerbread man, reindeer or Santa
- 9th December 16 Make a Santa box for treats
- 10th December 17 Christmas word search
- 11th Day-December 18- Wear a Santa hat for house team points
- 12th Day -December 19- Wear your Ugly sweater day for house team points



Have yourself a Merry Little Christmas!

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Alistair R., Talon, Averie W., Emmitt S., Violet S., Daklyn J., Liam C., Dallace B., Mazie M., Amealia T. Imman C., Alayna M., Addison C., Mya S.