



New Hazelton Elementary  
'A Community of Readers'

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New Hazelton Elementary School seeks to provide students with positive learning and social experiences which will enable them to participate successfully in our society.

### PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear New Hazelton Community:

As June rolls in and brings the end of the year forward in our minds we start to think about all the wonderful things we have accomplished this past school year: another successful breakfast program, a wonderful after school opportunity for students with the ASSAI, and a strong year in learning in each of our classrooms! I am so proud of our students for working so hard and showing growth in all areas!! However, change is the only constant and I am sorry to leave New Hazelton Elementary after seven wonderful years with you all. It is time for me to move on, and will be working at a smaller school next year, but it has students from Kinder to Grade 12. I am looking forward to this

exciting challenge!

The weather is beautiful these days and it does tend to get hot in the afternoon. Children peel off their jackets, so do remember to mark items with names. I continue to be impressed with how well the playground behavior has been this year, and for the most part litter finds its way into the garbage. For the month of June we are promoting getting active. Check this newsletter for activities planned.

Our school growth plan continues to be our direction to achieve student learning and is available for anyone who would like a copy. The mission stated is "New Hazelton Elementary School provides students with positive learning and social experiences which enable them to participate successfully in

our society", this is our guide in all our activities in education and social responsibility.

I would like to thank our volunteers who visit and bring their joy to our site. As safety is our first priority, please follow the exit procedures at end of days, respect the 10 Km requirement in the parking lot, and drop off in our area off of McLeod. If you are thinking about volunteering, the only pre-requisite is the police information check required once every 18 months. Don't hesitate to come in for any information; we are only a phone call away!

Sincerely,

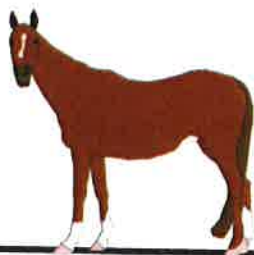
Carol Pickering,  
Principal

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RODEO  
DRESS UP  
DAY  
  
FRIDAY  
JUNE 5

**AFTER SCHOOL BAND PROGRAM CONCERT**  
**WILL BE HELD THURSDAY June 4th at 7 p.m. at HAZELTON SECONDARY MULTIPURPOSE ROOM.**  
**SEE YOU THERE!!**



## GRADE 6/7 NEWS (Mr. Barr)

Students are busy finishing up their units involving poetry and dictionary skills. They learned lots of skills during these units that they can use in their future studies. They are presently working on resumes and some wanted to compile enough information for a real resume that they can use this summer for employment. If this is the case for your son/daughter then they may be asking you for some personal contact information so they can have the correct address on their letterhead and the proper addresses of their references. Please help them out where possible to retrieve this.

In Socials classes we finished up with our unit on ancient Egypt and now we have begun Science. We are doing lessons on grass frogs and then we will learn how to perform dissections. We will learn what the tools are and how to use them. then we will learn how to dissect a frog and learn about the external and internal organs and their similarities to our own. Many of the organs have similar functions to our own so it is a good creature to use to learn about our own bodies.

In Math we have moved on to Geometry. We are attempting to do 2 chapters simultaneously and students need to have their protractors and compasses on hand to do some of the work. Please buy them one if need be since these are a required tool for this class in grade 6 and 7 and they can be used for math classes later at the high school as well.

That's all the news for now. Feel free to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

## GRADE 6-7 NEWS (Ms. Plewak)

We planted the garden last Wednesday! We have lettuce, spinach and onions for the spring and carrots and potatoes planted for the fall. There are some pretty keen gardeners in the class and I hope they can start a garden of their own at home too! It is really an important skill and having a garden helps the environment and saves money too!

Please sign and return the weekly reports. I will not send one this week, but they will have one next week. There are many activities taking place this month, please check the events calendar in this issue.

The talent show will be June 18th. I encourage all kids to try out for auditions happening this week at noon in my classroom.

Grade 7's are preparing for their leaving ceremony. The grade 6's must volunteer at the grade 7 dinner at the end of June.

We are practicing for sports day. Please be sure your student wears gym strip or clothes that they can run and jump in from now on. Loose fitting clothes that they can move in.





## GRADE 3-4 NEWSLETTER (Mrs. Barr)

Our year-end field trip is fast approaching. On Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> students will travel to Smithers via bus to the Saltos Gymnastics gym, the Kinsmen Kiddie Park and the Moricetown Museum for a day of fun and learning. Paperwork was sent home on Monday and must be returned as soon as possible so that lunch orders can be submitted by Friday. There are 3 forms that must be filled out:

- \*Permission Slip with parent signature
- \*Lunch order form for Subway for either a Kids Pack (4 inch sandwich) or a Teen Pack (6 inch sandwich)
- \*Waiver form for Gymnastics with parent signature

There will be a year-end recognition presentation for every student in our class on Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Friends and family are all welcome to attend. I will send a note home closer to the date as to the exact time and location. Keep an eye on your child's planner for this information.

There will be a bike rodeo for the students in Mrs. Barr's class and Mrs. Hobenshield's class on Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10:45. Students will need their own bike and helmet to participate. An information letter with further details will be coming home soon.

## GRADE 1/2 (Mrs. Hobenshield)

In writing we continue to work on **walking stories**. A sample is included. We will be ending the term with poetry writing.

In math we will be looking at 3D forms- learning their names and their properties ( faces and edges, whether they slide or roll).

Our Painted Lady butterflies have hatched and been released. We will

be winding down our Living Things unit by examining the properties and relationships of air, soil and water.

In social studies we have been working on symbols of Canada. Thank you to all that helped their child with their homework-

3 sentences about their assigned symbol. We will be compiling all the symbol pages in to a booklet.



### Grade 1/2 important dates - Mrs. Hobenshield

**Friday, June 5:** Western Day, dress up in your western gear.

**Tuesday, June 16:** our field trip. Permission slips and information to follow.

**Wednesday, June 17:** Bike rodeo, with Grade 3/4 class. The RCMP will offer a bike course and safety check. Students must bring their bike and **helmet** to school and home after the rodeo.

**Friday, June 19:** Aboriginal Day activities. This will include activities **outside**, dress for the weather.

Worm.

Hi I am a worm and I live underground. One day slither next to a flower. Suddenly I see a crow. I hide under a leaf. Whew! That was close. Now I am so hungry. I go to McDonalds and I eat a left over apple. I am so full. Then I go home to nap in my bumpy bed.

Amy G. gr.1.

## **PAC**

(Parents Advisory Council)

For parents and guardians of NHE students.

**Next meeting:** \*\*\*\*Wednesday June 10 at 6:30 pm –  
All parents and guardians welcome! Babysitting is provided!

### **Important dates:**

June 10 – PAC meeting – Elect PAC Chairperson

Sept. – Date TBA- PAC AGM: we will elect the rest of the PAC council

**PAC Chairperson** - Annette will not be able to continue in the PAC Chairperson role for next year. She is taking an online program. The role of the chairperson is to prepare the agenda for the meeting, chair the meeting, attend each meeting, and help the council achieve the goals for the year.

If you would like to know what the position is like please feel free to call Annette at 250-842-6560.

### **PAC Council:**

Vice Chairperson – Cynthia Joseph

Treasurer – Gemma Mousley

Secretary – Kelly Suhan

Chairperson – Annette Peterson

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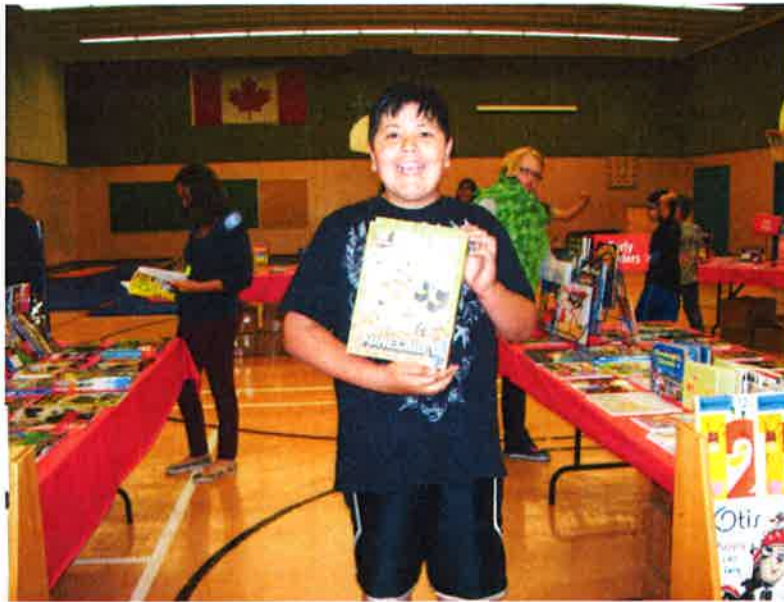
Friends of New Hazelton Elementary

~~\* Exciting News from the NHE Library \*~~

Wow! The Scholastic Book Fair was outstanding! When we work together for a common goal the benefits are amazing! We made over \$2,400 which means we are able to put \$1200 worth of books into OUR LIBRARY!

With the support of the Volunteers & you the Consumer we all made this an incredible worthwhile experience!

Thank you! Thank You! Thank you!



The Winners of the  
\$25.00 Family Draw was Gage Pierre & Family!  
\$25.00 Classroom Draw was Caralise Wiebe for Mrs. Barr's Class!  
From: M. Harris

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BOOK MONTH

New Hazelton



## For Your Information.....

**\*\*Head Lice,** Parents & Guardians have the responsibility to take an active role in the prevention of head lice outbreaks by: a) frequently checking your child's head for lice or nits. 2) talking to your child about not sharing hats, brushes, helmets, hair accessories and other personal items. 3) tying back long hair. It is important that we work together to control head lice. If you child has lice, please ensure the proper steps are taken to get rid of them. Should you require support for medications, the public health unit may be able to provide treatments and information on prevention.\*\*

⇒ **Late phone calls** at end of the day please REMEMBER to put them through to extension 3028 (Mrs. Pickering) please note that your message may not get delivered if you do not call before 2 p.m.

**Remember, to view our newsletter on line, all the pictures are in color. If you would like to receive your newsletter via email—just call the front office!**

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ◇ June 4— 7pm at HSS after school Band Program Concert
- ◇ June 5—RODEO DRESS UP day
- ◇ June 10—PAC MEETING 6:30 PM
- ◇ June 18—Talent Show
- ◇ June 19— LAST DAY FOR GITANMAAX HOT LUNCH
- ◇ June 19—Aboriginal day
- ◇ Jun 23— Year end Assembly 11 a.m.

**NOTE: STUDENTS ON GITANMAAX HOT LUNCH PROGRAM NEED TO BRING LUNCHES AND SNACKS FOR THE LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL. JUNE 22, 23, 24 & 25.**

### ⇒ FRIENDLY REMINDER:

As parents, you can appreciate how hectic it gets when organizing your own child to go places. Here we have 168 children to organize, and sometimes the end of the day can be a little busy. We would like to remind all parents about our end of the day routines:

- 1) If picking up your child, please wait in the east entrance (by the medical room) for them. Walkers and those getting picked up come down the hall and leave by the side entrance.
- 2) If your child has a change to their routine (not taking bus, or taking the bus), please send a note with your child that morning or call the school before 2 p.m.

Your presence at the school and your understanding with regards to our routines is appreciated. Thank you.



## ~~ The After School Adventures Report ~~

WOW! What a sensational year, again! The 'Arts Portion' of the program consisted of 3 Sections: 1. Music – Guitars, Recorders, Flaps, Percussion. 2. Crafts – Plaster of Paris Plaques & Painting (continued instruction that added to last year's learning). 3. Leatherwork – Medicine Pouches & Moccasins.

Instead of a yearly windup, we had a special little concert that showcased the Music side of the program. We also showcased the Plaques and had a nice lunch and prize giveaways. We shared that Mrs. Pickering (to Clinton) & Mrs. Harris (to HSS) were leaving NHE to begin 'new adventures' in new positions there.

The Kindergarten to Grade 7 students who attended the 2014 – 2015 programs (Fall, Winter, & Spring) did well in A) Learning &/or enhancing physical skills and B) Being exposed to as well as participating in acquiring new skills in music, art, & crafts.

We were fortunate in having a wonderful crew to assist and teach all the children. Thank you to: Mrs. Pickering, our school district Administrator for ASSAI; Mr. Harris (assistant coordinator); our Coaches: Gemma Mousley and Tara Haskill; Our consistent Volunteer-Person Of Raport: Suzie Spooner; our Student Mentor: Kellin Zhou; and our Guest Artists: Shelan Olson(Painter),Rebecca Pretty & Charlotte Linford who did the music portion.

In addition, we were so very fortunate to have Rup Sidhu drop-in (on his yearly province-wide tour) and give a shortened concert to our program – Rup and his associate did an incredible **Participation In Music Program** that 'WOWED' students attending that day! All students became part of the performance and learned so much in a short time about how music is created and how they could so easily be a part of it. Thank You Sidhu!

The 'crew' has said that it was a fantastic time and overall we couldn't have done this without you... And by all accounts, what a great job was done! Have a great & safe Summer! We will be back in one form or another in the Fall. New Registrations and new programs... see you then!

