



New Hazelton Elementary
 'A Community of Engaged Learners'

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

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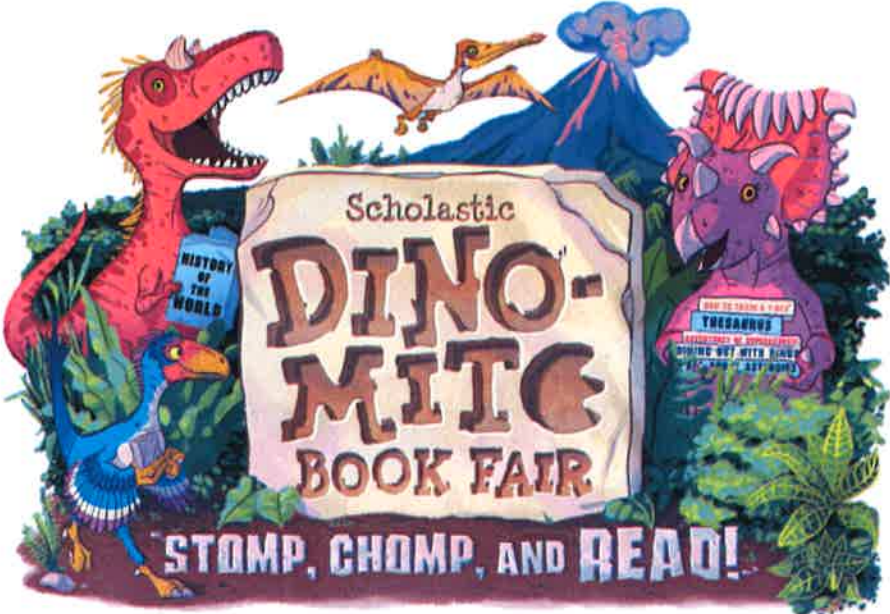
We at school do our best to provide an exceptional standard of care for all our children. There are 157 students attending NHE and although we model, teach and remind students to dress appropriately for the weather, to sneeze in their sleeve, to wash their hands, to play safely and respectfully and to not share clothing, children will be children and do not always listen or remember the rules or the advice given. Children get sick from time to time, play rough on occasion, get lice sometimes - all of which can not be avoided.

Please help us by reminding your children to dress appropriately for the weather, to sneeze in their sleeve, to wash their hands, to play safely and respectfully and to not share clothing. It takes a village to raise a child!

FRIENDLY REMINDER: CHILDREN ONLY STAY IN IF THE WEATHER INCLUDING THE WIND CHILL IS BELOW -20C - PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD COMES TO SCHOOL DRESSED FOR OUTSIDE WEATHER!

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COMING SOON—MARCH 13 AND MARCH 14



BREAKFAST PROGRAM
 8:30 AM
MORNING FUN & FIT
 8:16 AM
OUTSIDE SUPERVISION
 8:32 AM

PEANUT FREE SCHOOL ZONE

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

PAC

(Parents Advisory Committee)

All Parents and Guardians are welcome!!

Council:

Chair - Annette Peterson

Vice-Chairperson - Sarah McGill

Treasurer - Giselle Simms

Secretary - Jodi Marshall

PAC has amended our motion from the January meeting to say that PAC will provide \$2000 towards exciting new technology for all students and teachers to use at NHE. Some of this technology will be available for parents to view and see at work at the next parent teacher interviews!!!! Come and check it out!!

FUN NIGHT - April 11, 6-8pm - PAC needs parent volunteers! - Contact Annette or Jodi if you can help or have any questions.

Next meeting - Wednesday March 6, at 6:30 pm in the library. Babysitting provided in the gym.

Future meetings: April 3rd

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Annette Peterson at 250-842-6560.

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Kindergarten - Mrs. Kern

The Kindergartens have been busy and the time is flying by. Everyday we spend some time writing and, so far, we have made five books together. Most of the students know all of the letter names and several of the letter sounds, and they are beginning to blend sounds together to read words. I am sending home the list of the Dolch Pre-Primer words for you to refer to at home.

In Math, we have completed the unit on financial literacy. You can assist your child's learning by quizzing him/her on the names and values of all 5 Canadian coins. Our present unit is on numbers to 5.

Our focus in Science has continued to be matter (specifically the three forms of matter : solid, liquid and gas).

The students enjoyed the week of hip hop dancing with the Luv 2 Groove program. At present, they are learning some stick handling drills for floor hockey. We have had two fairly successful outings at the skating rink and, weather permitting, are hoping to get over again this Thursday (Feb.14th). Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for skating (long socks, snow pants, mittens).

On Thursday, we will also be having a Valentine's day party. If you would like to send in some food to share, that would be appreciated. Healthy options of fruit or veggies and dip are always popular.

Thank you,

Mrs. Kern

GRADE 3 - Mrs. Barr

The students in room 8 have started to learn about division in Math class. They should be able to recognize the division symbol, remember that the symbol means “shared by” and they should understand how the process is related to multiplication and to subtraction. Ask your child about the book called “The Doorbell Rang” and how it shows the process of division.

Cursive handwriting has everybody excited! It is such a “grown-up” thing to learn. Our first family of letters are The Clock Climbers – a, c, d, g and q – because they all have the same beginning shape. Ask your child to demonstrate how to start the climb over the clock to 1.

Scholastic book orders for February are due by 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14th.

Students will have an opportunity to hand out Valentine cards to their classmates at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 14th. A list of names was sent home in their planners for the last two Mondays in a row. There is not time in our day for them to fill out names on cards at school, so please make sure that this is done at home prior to arriving. If they wish to bring a snack to share with their classmates at recess or lunch, please ensure that it is a healthy option and peanut free.

GRADE 6 - Ms. Plewak

It was another amazing week with Luv2Groove! The kids had a great time learning new moves and getting into the groove. Christine, the instructor, was very impressed with the Grade 6's. They were very motivated and had good energy everyday. It was a lot of fun and great exercise!

Please check your email for an invitation to Freshgrade. The students have begun posting pictures of their work. Please view their page and comment on their post. They will be able to see your comment the next time they log into their account.

Last month in Math, we worked on a fun unit on Probability and Data Management. This combined making graphs of data that we generated from playing probability games or games of chance. For example the students were asked to roll two dice and record all the combinations made. They then made a bar graph of the combinations recorded for 20 turns. The bar graph showed that 6, 7 and 8 had the most possible combinations. We have now moved onto working on a unit on ratio and percents.

This month, the students have been working on writing to inform and explain. They wrote on the topic, “The Award goes to...”. They were required to explain and provide details to support their reasons for giving out the award. A published copy of their write along with a scoring rubric is being sent home this week for parents to see. We are now working on another informational write about pets. When the writing is complete, I will set a date for “Bring your pet to school day”. The students will present their write, show their pets and answer questions from the class.

We have completed our chemistry unit in Science. The students were engaged in many experiments and activities based around chemical reactions using simple house hold products. They worked in teams to test acids and bases, separate solutions and mixtures and combine materials and make observations. The students had to follow procedures of an experiment and work together safely and responsibly. They enjoyed participating in hands-on activities as they learned science concepts. We are now well into our Social Studies topic on Climate Change and its effects on vulnerable populations.

Ms Plewak

Grade 7 - Mr. Barr

Hello everyone. We are finishing up our work for term 2 and now have begun term 3a. Thanks to those parents who provided support to their kids during this present term to teach them the values associated with completing work since this goes a long way to demonstrating to them the kind of values employers expect in the workplace. We have a number of new units starting this week and next and we will be working with a few new mediums to use for learning which we have yet to explore. We plan to spend more time using our new computer software this term and would like to try to complete between 1 to 2 projects between each team of students.

Tomorrow, students that finished the term 2 work load are celebrating the end of the term by relaxing in the afternoon and watching a movie or playing some board games. We have yet to decide what we will do. Students have asked to wear their pajamas again to help them relax so please ensure their choices are appropriate. Students may bring extra snacks for this afternoon if they wish.

Please remember that our class has an account at the recycling shop and you can make donations to the class simply by bringing your cans and bottles there and letting them know to put it into the grade 7 account. It is an easy way to donate to their cause and all help is appreciated. Should you need assistance getting the donation to the recycling shop let us know and we can come pick it up for you to save you the trouble.

Mr. Barr

Grade 1 - Mrs. McCreery

Hello families,

We are still hoping to skate most Thursdays with the Kindergarten class. A big thank you to Khloe Jack's parents for coming to help lace up skates last week!

Measurement has been really fun—please ask your child if he or she can talk to you about our Math "phrases" ("heavier than, lighter than, about the same as").

Solving conflict is hard, especially at this age. In Grade 1, we are getting better at talking to classmates BEFORE telling the teacher. We are working hard on using our words ("Please stop!" "I didn't like it when..." "You hurt my feelings when..."). Please encourage your child to problem-solve before seeking help from an adult.

Once again, if you have any concerns or questions, write a note in the agenda, telephone (250.842.5777 ext. 3010) or email (Melissa.McCreery@cmsd.bc.ca).

Sincerely,
Melissa McCreery

Grade 5/6 - Mr. Schwab

February is a busy month! We began a review of multiplication and division before we tackle multiplying multi digit numbers at the end of the month. We are completing units in Immigration, and Chapter 5 Science. They should be bringing home a review package to study. I test the vocabulary, and concepts. In Language Arts they are completing a unit in persuasive writing. Everyone should be able to defend a position and advertise a product. Next unit is descriptive writing!

They are looking forward to a Valentine's party in the afternoon tomorrow February 14th, 2019.

Please send a healthy snack/ drink with your child to share with the class if able .

Please also check with your child some of their doughts have begun to break down, they may need to replace them and they may need a new set of pencils and a sharpener.

Students are also getting excited about starting a mini unit in forensic science and they will act out a court case. Should be lots of fun! Report cards will be going out soon!

If you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to call me or drop by ,

Mr. Schwab

After School Band - Mr. Wiebe

On Thursday, January 24, we had our first band concert of the school year. We shared the stage with the Hazelton Secondary School senior guitar class so we enjoyed a full evening of entertainment. Students were very excited for their first band concert. It was very gratifying to see how their hard work and perseverance paid off as they performed beautifully to a very appreciative crowd.

Thank you to parents who contributed goodies for our snack and visiting time after the concert and thank you to those who made donations. Thank you also to parents for your continued support with driving and helping your children to keep up with practicing.

If you have concerns or questions, you may contact me at my school, 250-842-5214 or email owiebe@cmsd.bc.ca.

Mr. Wiebe, Band Teacher



Birthdays

Nate	Feb 19
Lauralynn	Feb 19
Cody	Feb 24
Maxamus	Feb 24
Kieran	Feb 26
Amy	Feb 26
Tiana	Mar 1
Draven	Mar 3
Mitchell	Mar 10
Gabe	Mar 10
Charlotte	Mar 14

First Nations Support Workers

Mrs. Olson works with the Grade 4, 5/6, 6, and 7 classes this year and she can be reached at 250-842-5777 ext. 3002.

Mrs. Snider works with the Grade K, 1, 2/3, and 3/4 classes this year and she can be reached at 250-842-5777 ext. 3013.

LIBRARY AND BOOK EXCHANGE

Our Librarian is Ms. Hart and our Librarian Assistant is Mrs. Spooner. They can be reached at 250-842-5777 ext. 3005.



Every week students are entitled to take books out of the library as long as they return them on a weekly basis. We'd like to remind students and family members to keep books in a book bag separate from lunch bag, and to wash and dry their hands before reading.

If you would like your child to take their library book home please request a permission slip from the library staff.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. The speed limit is maximum 10 mph in the back parking lot when used.
2. Please remember that the transportation of medications are not permitted through the school with your children.
3. The only drinks students are allowed to have in the school during their day are 'fruit juices' and 'water'. All other drinks like 'powerades', 'slushies', 'pop' vitamin drinks, ice tea, etc. will be confiscated and disposed of.

1. Please remember that IF you come to the school to pick up your child for an impromptu appointment, report to the office and either Mrs. Olson, Ms. Campbell, or Mrs. Harris will send for your child.

Thank you Parents for assisting us to keep your children safe and healthy.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Mrs. Snider runs a homework club for our students. Students can go there independently or be referred by their classroom teacher. If you have concerns about your child's homework, or would like your child to go to homework club, please talk with your child's teacher and Mrs. Snider.

Runs from 12:30 pm to 12:55 pm, on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

EXTRA CURRICULAR BASKETBALL—Starting next week thanks to Mrs. Snider

Grade 6 and 7—Mondays

Grade 4 and 5—Wednesdays



Ways to keep informed and in touch!



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 15	CID (No School)
February 18	Family Day (No School)
February 27	Anti-Bullying Day
March 11	Reports go home
March 13-14	Early Dismissal Days 1:50 pm
Mar 13	Conferences 2:00—4:00
Mar 18—29	Spring Break—School closed

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<http://newhazelton.cmsd.bc.ca>

Gitanmaax Band Lunch Program

For more information or to sign up for the Gitanmaax Band Lunch Program please contact Jennifer Robinson at the band office 250-842-5297 or fax form to 250-842-6364.

Completed forms must be returned to the band office.

For Your Information.....

Office Hours

Mrs. Harris will be in the office from 8:40 am to 2:30 pm. Her break and lunch is from 11:00 am to 12:00pm. If you are calling to leave a message for your child, like alternative plans for getting home, please call no later than 2:15 pm, otherwise we can't guarantee your child getting the message.



As parents, you can appreciate how hectic it gets when organizing your own child to go places. Here we have 157 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 outside the boot room doors. All children will be exiting the school from the boot room. Please use the back parking lot for pick up.
- 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 2:30 p.m.

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

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.

If you are interested in volunteering at the school please let Ms. Campbell know. A group of parents would like to support the school and come in to do head checks on a regular basis.

If we notice that your child has lice, we will be calling home so that families can immediately tend to their child.

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