

HUMBER ELEMENTARY

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message

During the month of February, a variety of school events and activities are planned at Humber Elementary. The grade four and after school cross-country skiing programs are in full stride. Janeway Day in schools is slated for Friday, February 13th. Over the last 28 years, over one million dollars has been donated by students and staff to help children in Newfoundland and Labrador. On that day, the entire school will also be filled with energy as students share their valentines with their friends and classmates.

During this month, the grade six boys basketball team will be participating in the 2015 West Coast Provincial Championship. Parents and guardians are reminded that the only School Holiday on the calendar for the month of February is Monday, February 23rd for Winter Carnival. The entire school community will be wearing pink on February 25th to stand up for bullying. Staff Appreciation Week is scheduled for February 8th-14th. On behalf of the school administration, thank-you to all staff for their professionalism and volunteer work during the school year and a Happy Valentine's Day to all.

Mitts & hats:

We would remind students to continue to dress warmly with their mittens, hats, snow pants, and winter boots for school each day.

Importance of Instructional Time:

Please work with the school staff to maximize instructional time for your children. Each morning, please ensure your child/children are on time for homeroom class; students are expected to be in homeroom at 8:15AM.

Evening dismissal:

Continue to use the drop and go lane at the south end of the building and be very cognizant of parking forward to assist with smooth traffic flow.

Just a reminder that our school website is - <http://hes.westernlite.ca>

Safe and Caring Schools Report

Behaviour Matrix

The Safe and Caring Schools Committee is in the process of developing a School Wide Expectation Behaviour Matrix. Our draft document has been shared with each class for review and suggestions. The Committee, along with student representatives, recently met to update the draft with consideration to the students and staff's recommendations. This draft will be shared with the School Council in early February for input. The draft school-wide Behaviour Expectations Matrix will be posted on the school website for families to review. Your feedback is welcomed.

Janeway Day in the Schools

The Committee is organizing a fundraiser for the Janeway with the assistance of the Respect and Pride Club. Students and staff will have the option of purchasing a Friendship-Gram for their friends or classmates. The Friendship-Gram will consist of a personal message written by purchaser and a chocolate. These will be available for purchase the week of February 2-6. The Friendship-Gram will be delivered on Friday, February 13. Additional purchasing details to follow. All profits will be donated to the Janeway Children's Hospital.

Pink Shirt Day

February 25 is known across Canada as Anti-Bullying Day, which is also called Pink Shirt Day. We will acknowledge this day by wearing pink t-shirts/clothing along with many other schools across Canada. Together we will take a stand against bullying.



Grade 3 News

All the snow has not slowed the Grade Three students down. January has been packed full of learning and fun!

Over the past two months they have learned about graphs and taking data in Math. They have also begun three-digit addition and subtraction. In Language Arts, they are working on a persuasive process piece. Be warned, they are very convincing in asking for a pet! They have finally built their structures. What great foundations can be made out of cardboard and milk cartons! In Social Studies, they are continuing to look at our province and discuss rural and urban communities. They have created some beautiful winter art including snow covered trees and watercolour snowmen. There's sure to be lots more fun to come in Grade Three!



3rd GRADE

100th Day of School!!

The 100th day of school is just around the corner and the Grade 1s and 2s are excited about celebrating this special day. The 100th day of school will occur mid-February and the grade 1 and 2 students will be busy engaging in fun activities relating to the 100th day of school!



Kinderstart Session

A reminder to Kindergarten parents that the next Kinderstart session is scheduled for February 27th. That means there will be no regular Kindergarten classes on that day as we welcome in our newest little Humber Elementary students.



School Holiday

There will be a school holiday on Monday, February 23rd. There will be no school for students on that day.



