

# NEWSLETTER



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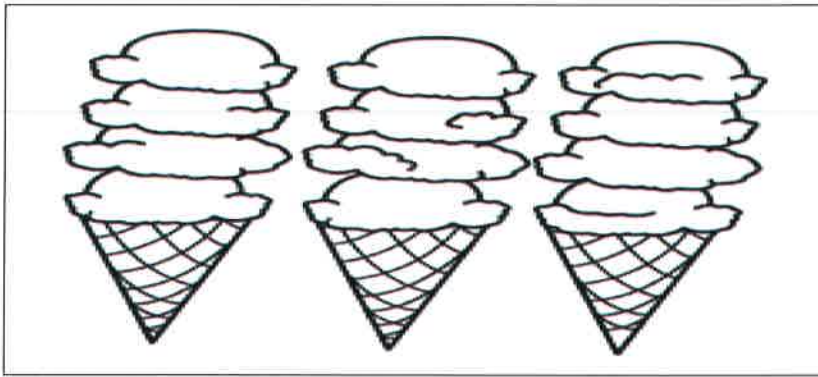
October 2017

~ Open House ~

**\* We had great attendance \***

Our annual open house is a way to connect faces to names.

"It was a great success and we received a lot of positive feedback," school librarian Michele Frater says.



## Emergency Preparedness

This month Nechako students will participate in a number of Emergency drills. The drills focus on Fire, Earthquake and Lockdown procedures. These drills are prepared and practiced to ensure an effective strategy is in place to address many possible types of emergencies and disasters.

Nechako coordinates these drills with a number of community departments and organizations including the Fire Department, RCMP and Graydon Security.



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☺☺☺ Terry Fox Run ☺☺☺



**\$1,060.00**  
**WOW Nechako !!!**

Mr. Wilkinson's Grade 3/4 Class building their 'Most Magnificent Things'



~ Upcoming ~  
 November 13 - Monday  
 will be a holiday to commemorate  
 Remembrance Day  
 on Saturday, Nov. 11.

~ Reminder ~  
 Pizza - Tuesdays  
 Last one for this term - Dec. 5  
 Subway - Fridays (exception: Nov. 23)  
 Last one for this term - Dec. 15



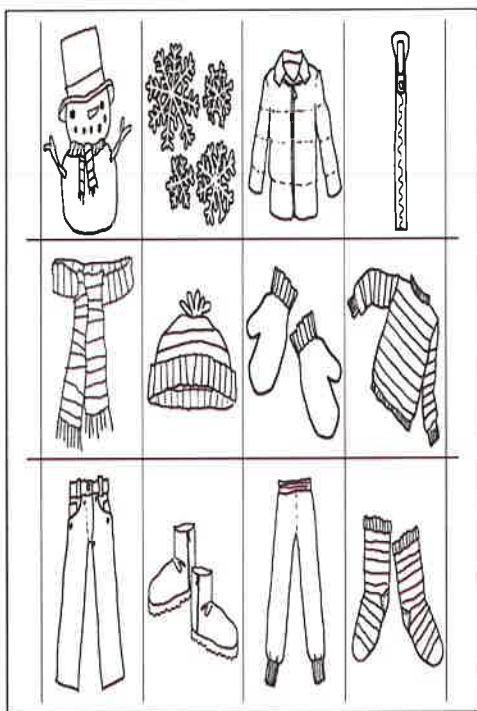
~ Interim Reports ~  
 Reports are being sent home this month.  
 Teachers will send home a progress report OR  
 communicate by telephone or email.

\* First Term Report Cards will be given to students on November 20 \*

~ Weather ~

Brrrr . . . the chill  
 has arrived.  
 Please help your  
 child(ren) dress  
 appropriately for  
 Kitimat's rainy . .  
 cold . . snowy  
 season.

And . . check out  
 the Lost & Found.  
 Winter jackets are  
 'lost' in the bin  
 already.



Please cut out and return to the teacher.

Yes, I have read the  
 October 2017 Newsletter.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Parent/Guardian.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Student(s).

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Teacher(s).

The class with the most returns for 3 months  
 (not consecutive) wins a Pizza Party.

\* September Newsletter Winner \*

Mrs. Eguia's Class

\*\* 100% returns \*\*

Student Drop-off / Bus Parking

Parents should park in the skateboard parking lot only.

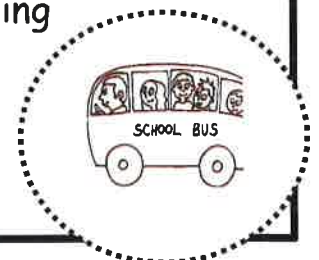
*When we receive a message for your child(ren) to meet you outside,  
we will always ask you to pick them up at the skateboard parking lot.*

*The Bus Parking Lot is reserved for buses only.*

\*\*\* Thank you to parents who have been fully cooperating  
 with us regarding parking procedures. \*\*\*

~ Please call the school if you have any concerns ~

~ 250-632-2912 ~





Yes, winter is definitely on its way  
as we found out on the weekend.

"I'm a little snowflake, icy and white,  
Floating down, on my first flight.  
Water droplets join, no longer alone,  
To make a design that's all my own."

### ~ First Nations Support ~

Welcome to new and returning students of Nechako Elementary School!

I hope you all had a great summer. It's good to be back!

My name is Joyce Amos.

I am of Haisla descent and I am beginning my 8<sup>th</sup> year at Nechako. Targeted funds from the Ministry of Education provide programs and services for students of Aboriginal descent.

These funds support initiatives in the areas of literacy, academic success and cultural awareness.

In addition to supporting the students in academic areas we will work to promote understanding and cultural awareness for all students.

This involves working with classroom teachers, helping to organize cultural events, inviting elders and role models to the school, and working on special projects such as field trips that have Aboriginal components or themes.

Your child may work with me outside of the classroom either individually or in small groups toward cultural pride and academic success.

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to chat, I encourage you to give me a call at 250-632-2912 ext. 6537 or drop by our First Nations room between 8:40 am to 3:15 pm.

I look forward to a successful year for all students!

Ms. Joyce Amos, First Nations Support Worker

### ~ Wacky Science ~

Students were enthralled  
with the antics and 'fiery'  
experiments of the  
Wacky Science Guy.



Mrs. Wakita and Sarah  
enjoying a mini photo-shoot  
on Orange Shirt Day.

Two young, fine  
gentlemen attired in  
shirts appropriate  
for Orange Shirt Day.

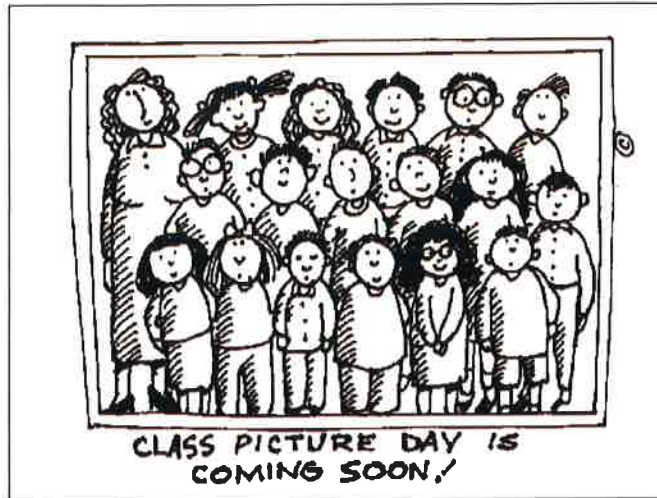


### ~ Orange Shirt Day ~

Orange Shirt Day was a great success !!!

We would like to thank the students and staff that participated by wearing an Orange Shirt to honour the Aboriginal children that were removed from their homes to attend Residential School.

We hope that, by bringing awareness about this unjust segment of Canada's history, we as First Nations and non-First Nations can come together with compassion and understanding to make Canada a better place to live.



**Thursday - October 26**

**Classroom Photos  
and  
Individual Photo Retakes**

***Retakes:***

***Please Bring In the Original Photo Form.***

***Cross Out The Pictures.***

***Print 'Retakes' At The Top.***

***Include The Payment.***

***~ Retakes Must Be Pre-Paid ~***

**IF your child has not yet had their  
school photo taken, please pick up  
a Retake Form from the Office.**