

NEWSLETTER



NECHAKO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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May 2018

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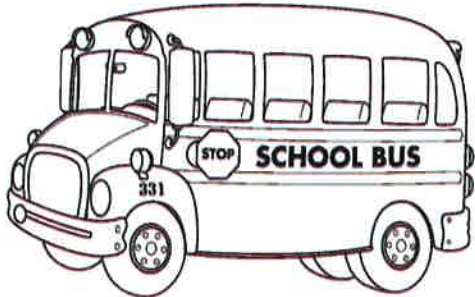
Bus Area and Student Drop-off Zone ~ Reminder ~

* Bus Loading Area is for bus students ONLY *

* Drop-off and Pickup of students MUST be done at the Skateboard Parking Lot *

* Any parents picking children up during school hours will be asked to park at the Skatepark Lot *

We have a commitment to safety at Nechako; we appreciate parents' cooperation in this.




Kindergarten
Registration

Registrations are due for the 2018-2019 School Year

~ Word from the Office ~

Please remember to call us at 250-632-2912 regarding your child's attendance. Leave a message if necessary. Let us know of his/her absence AND the reason.

Thank you to all parents/guardians who have been keeping us informed.
We appreciate it !!!

NOTE





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FIRST NATION

**** Primary Students ****
Aboriginal Day Celebrations
May 23
Fried Bread was served & enjoyed !!!

May 23
Primary students were treated to the famous 'fried bread'; served by First Nations Support Workers Ms. Amos & Ms. Merkley.

On May 25 Ms. Amos and Ms. Merkley traveled to Kitamaat Village with the Grades 4 to 6 classes. They spent the day learning and practicing some First Nations culture, and visiting their peers at Haisla Community School.



Thank you to Mrs. R. Grant, who awoke at 6 am, to prepare loads of fried bread.

GitseLasu

The GitseLasu derive their name from the area they live which is in a canyon. In their language, GitseLasu means 'People of the canyon'. GitseLasu society is based on a ruling-class society of Chiefs and Clans. There were 4 classes of people in their society: the chiefs, nobles, commoners, and the slaves. Each village was organized into 4 clans: Eagle, Wolf, Raven, and Killer-whale. Each of these clans had a head chief. These clans had their own territories where they hunted and fished. In addition, each village had leading chief that was the head of all the village chiefs. The oral history of the Killer-whale clan states that the ancestors of the GitseLasu migrated down river from the ancient village of Tenishan. As they migrated down river, people established new village sites along the way. In the canyon, there were 5 ancient villages that were established over time: Tsunyov, GitseLasu, GitseLasu, GitseLasu, and Paul Mason Site. It should be noted that the Paul Mason Site was rediscovered in 1981, and is the oldest village site in the canyon. The site was radiocarbon-dated at 8000 years old. The GitseLasu, like most aboriginal cultures, spent much of their time gathering food and fuel resources. In addition, the people would gather plants which were used for medicinal and ceremonial purposes. Living in the cold, northern climate made subsistence a priority. They needed food for initial consumption, but they also needed it for winter use. Along the trail you will see informational panels that convey some of the resources used by the GitseLasu. So, while you take scenic hikes you will be able to take in some interesting facts about GitseLasu history and culture.

Thank you and enjoy your visit.

May 17
Ms. Amos & Ms. Merkley hosted the Kitselas Canyon Trip with the Grade 4 students. The regular guide had recently broken his leg, so Ms. Amos shared some history and culture of the First Nation Peoples of the area.

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Please be aware that your child must wear an appropriate helmet when biking, 'boarding' or 'scooting' to and from school.



Please provide forks/spoons for your child(ren's) snacks and lunches.
Thank you !!!

Please cut out and return to the teacher.
Yes, I've read the May 2018 Newsletter.
The class with the most returns for 3 months (not consecutive) wins a Pizza Party.

Name of Student(s).

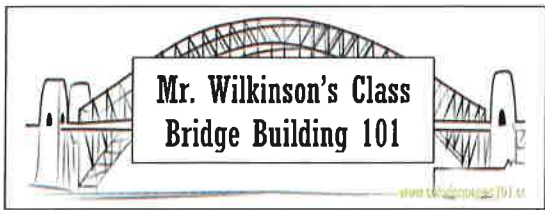
Signature of Parent / Guardian.

Name of Teacher(s).
March/April Newsletter Winner.

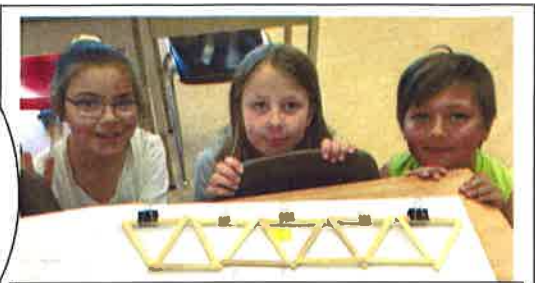
Mrs. Eguia's Class

***** 95.83% *****

~ Pizza Party Time ~



Popscicle Stick Bridges



Three of the Engineers



Small beginnings of a great project.
Planning, prepping, putting together.



These four bridges withstood between 178 and 185 pounds of pressure before breakage began.



~ Encounters of the Fluffy Kind ~

Mrs. Combden's Grade One Class has been hatching tiny bird brains again. Well, to be fair, the creatures hatched whole.

Wow . . .

Nechako kids sure know how to quench their thirst !!!



Chick
Peck, peck, peck,
On the warm brown egg.
Out came a neck,
Out comes a leg.

How does a chick,
Who's not been about
Discover the trick
Of how to get out?



A bird in the hand . . .



T W I N S !!!
Two chicks in one egg.
'Apples' & 'Bananas'

Three Little Quails
Named:
'Rock'
'Paper'
'Scissors'

Quails, chickens
Quietly clinging
Quickly changing
Quirky & cute.



Sorting the Winter's
Stockpile of Lunchroom Empties

~ Important Dates to Remember ~



Subway
June 1, 8, 15



Pizza
May 29 – last day.

Aboriginal Day Celebrations

* Kindergarten to Grade 3 *
May 23 – Fried Bread



PAC Meeting
June 12 at 7 pm – Staff Room



*** SPORTS DAYS EVENTS ***
June 12-14

Middle School Tour
Grade 6
June 13

Grade 6
Commencement
June 21 – 9:00 am



Lakelse Beach Days
Intermediate – June 25
Primary – June 26