



In the Hawks Nest

At Hans Helgesen Elementary

June 5, 2023

We would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Sc'ianew Beecher Bay Nation on which the school is built. We thank them for sharing this beautiful land. Hych'ka – "Thank You"

Hans Helgesen Na'tsa'maht Family Dinner:

Our first Na'tsa'maht Family Dinner at Hans Helgesen is this **Thursday, June 8th!** Feel free to come and play on our shared beautiful land starting at 5:00 pm if you would like to arrive early. Then please **meet in the forest at 5:30 pm** for a special announcement and celebration to begin our evening together. We will then head to the gym for dinner and some incredible cultural dancing and singing! We look forward to seeing all our registered families on Thursday evening!

Chip and Candy Bag Sale:

There are some remaining chip and candy bags from the Spring Fair. The PAC would like to sell them as there are no more PAC events prior to the end of the year. These items will be for sale on **Wednesday, June 7th** after school. Chips will be \$1.00 per bag and Candy Bags will be \$2.00 per bag. Please note that there may not be enough for all.

Next Pizza Day:

Our next pizza day is **Friday, June 9th**. Orders are due on **Tuesday, June 6th** by 11:00pm. All orders can be placed through the Cash Online system. A reminder that our June 2nd pizza date has been changed to June 16th due to the District Track Meet for our participating intermediate students.

PAC Bottle Drive:

The PAC is hosting one last Bottle Drive prior to the end of the school year. This will take place on **Saturday, June 10th** from 9:00 - 12:00 pm in the lower parking lot. Please save your bottles, tetra boxes, milk jugs and more. Drop them off on Saturday. Thank you in advance for supporting your PAC with their fundraising efforts. All proceeds go directly back into the students and HH!

Plans for Next Year:

Some students are talking about moving over the summer yet we have not been informed in the office. Please let us know as soon as possible so that we can be sure to account for this with our planning for next school year. You can email Mrs. Schwartz directly at

sschwartz@sd62.bc.ca to let us know. If you have any questions or concerns, please email or contact the office so that we can help you with your own planning.

School Supplies for Next Year:

The teachers met this past week to discuss how we would like to manage school supplies for the coming year. It was decided that we would return to the regular routine of parents purchasing their children's own school supplies. Teachers will be creating the school supply lists for each grade over the next couple of weeks. These lists will be posted on the website and will come home in a paper copy in the report card envelopes on the last day of school.

Next Year School Hours:

Next year, we will be starting school 5 minutes later. The warning bell will ring at 8:25 and school will start at 8:30 am. Recess will be 15 minutes and lunch will still be an hour with 20 minutes for eating and 40 minutes for outside play. School will dismiss at the regular time of 2:38 pm. Please see the attached letter with the full details.

Next Year's School District Calendar:

Please find attached a School District Calendar with all the important dates for you to note for the 2023-2024 school year. It includes the first day of school, school closures for winter break and spring break as well as non-instructional days and holidays.

Important Dates to Remember:

- June 8 - Na'tsa'maht Family Dinner (5:30 pm)
- June 9 - Pizza Day
- June 13 - Science Venture will be visiting all classes
- June 16 - Pizza Day
- June 20 - Grade 5 Leaving Celebration (1:00 pm)
- June 21 - National Indigenous People's Day
- June 23 - Beach Day
- June 27 - Fun Day
- June 28 - School-Wide Year-End Assembly (1:00 pm)
- June 29 - Last Day of School