

DLES

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Principal's Message

Did you know that our school has a *School Plan to Support Student Learning*? This plan outlines our school goals in **literacy**, **numeracy**, and **social-emotional learning**; data sets; and a list of strategies through which these goals will be achieved. The document should be posted on the district website in the coming weeks so please check it out! www.sd91.bc.ca

In the meantime, I have started some preliminary planning for the next school year! Currently, I am predicting a school enrolment of 110 students, but this number could change based on Kindergarten registrations, etc. Would you please let the school office know if you are planning to move to another town or school district for the 2021/22 school year? By keep our school informed of your family plans, I can have a good pulse on registrations and enrolment. Thank you in advance for your communication and partnership!

The next newsletter is scheduled to be published on February 18th (after Family Day) so I will embrace this opportunity to close my message with best wishes to you and your family for a healthy and happy Family Day! Take care, Everyone!

Respectfully,
Mrs. Kelemen

Mark your Calendar

February

- 12 Crazy Hair Day
- 15 **Family Day—No School**
- 19 School Science Fair
- 24 Pink Shirt Day & District Science Fair
- 25 District Science Fair
- 26 **Pro D Day—No School**

March

- 5 Report Cards Home
- 15 K and Out of Catchment Registration starts
- 19 **Last Day of School before Spring Break**

April

- 6 First Day of School after Spring Break
- 23 **Pro D Day—No School**



Mrs. Kelemen shared the details of DLES's 2020/21 School Plan with the intermediate classes

What makes DLES such a great school?

"Supportive."
—Anonymous Staff Member

DLES PAC EXECUTIVE 2020-2021

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Candies or Cards?

To ensure the safety of our students, the standards of gift exchanges **must** be different for this year. Students are welcome to exchange cards, but **not** candies or homemade treats.

Exchange cards!

Leave candies and homemade treats at home.

Health and Wellness...and Other Business

Have you done your **Daily Health Check** in with your child? Is she or he experiencing any of the following new or worsening symptoms?
If yes, please keep your child home.

- ☐ Fever or chills
☐ Loss of sense of smell or taste
☐ Difficulty breathing
☐ Sore Throat
☐ Loss of appetite
- ☐ Extreme fatigue and tiredness
☐ Headaches
☐ Body aches
☐ Nausea or vomiting
☐ Diarrhea

Recipe for an active year Continued...

Last time, we discussed some ingredients for an active year which included building a snowman or snow fort, skiing—all types, and making snow angels. Below, we have a few more “ingredients” for you to try out. Remember to mix it up to get you grooving! Stay tuned for more “ingredients” in our next newsletter edition!

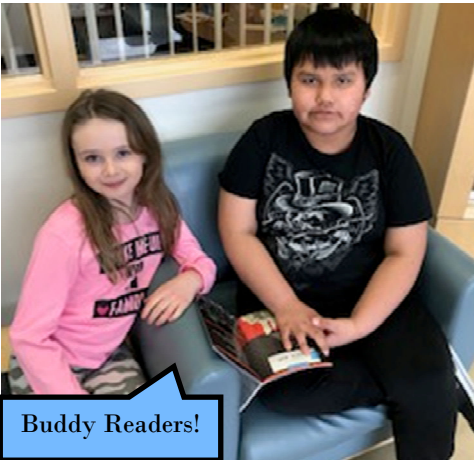
☐ go for a winter hike
☐ go tobogganing
☐ shovel the walkway



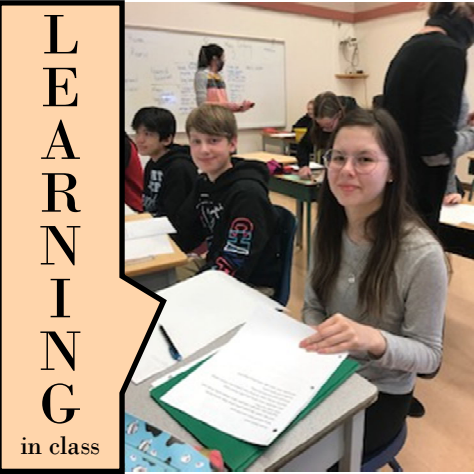
Water Bottles

Water. It’s necessary for life and it keeps our kids hydrated so they can think and learn. Because of COVID, we don’t drink water from class water fountains right now. As a result, we encourage the use of refillable water bottles that can be refilled at our bottle filling stations.

Water bottles need to be cleaned regularly to prevent the growth of molds, bacteria, and other ewwie-gooey things. Please remind your child to bring their water bottle home to get a good washing in hot, soapy water with a bleach rinse, or a good washing in the dishwasher. Let’s all work together to keep our kids healthy.



Buddy Readers!



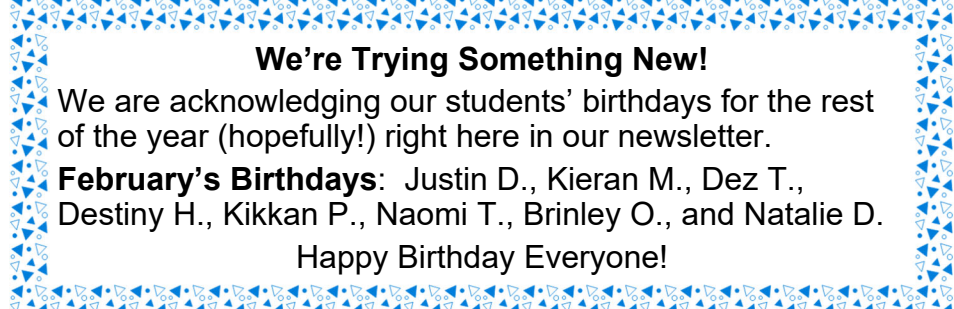
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Kindergarten & Out of Catchment Registrations Opening Soon!

Starting Monday, March 15, 2021, Decker Lake will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten and Out of Catchment students. If your child was born in 2016, your child is eligible for Kindergarten in September! Make sure you bring your child’s Birth Certificate and BC Services Card/Care Card to register.



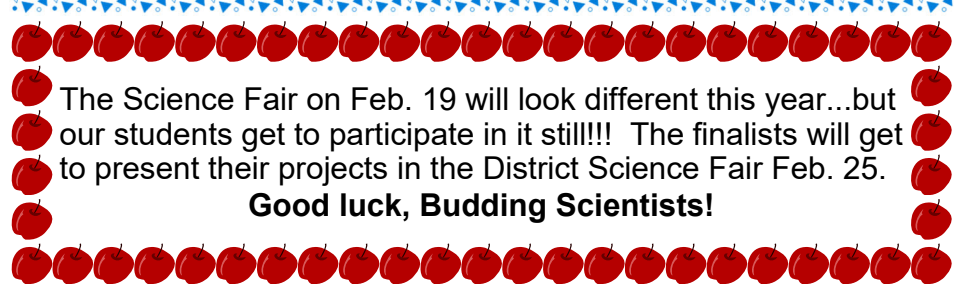


We’re Trying Something New!

We are acknowledging our students’ birthdays for the rest of the year (hopefully!) right here in our newsletter.

February’s Birthdays: Justin D., Kieran M., Dez T., Destiny H., Kikkan P., Naomi T., Brinley O., and Natalie D.

Happy Birthday Everyone!



Board Biz



Superintendent’s Report to the Board

Regular Board Meeting of Jan. 18th, 2021



Superintendent Manu Madhok presented his ‘Superintendent’ Report to the Board’ at the January 18, 2021, Regular Board Meeting. Please go to this site to view it.

<https://www.sd91.bc.ca/apps/news/article/816002>

Public Consultation

DRAFT 2023/24 School Calendar

Please visit www.sd91.bc.ca to view the draft calendar. Please submit any feedback by Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

<https://www.sd91.bc.ca/apps/pages/school-calendar>

At the Board meeting on Monday, January 18, 2021, the following policy was given first and second readings:

- 406.5 — Bullying and Harassment

Please visit <https://www.sd91.bc.ca/apps/pages/policies-and-regulations> to view the draft policy and regulation. Please click on the “feedback” link located above list of policies to send your comments. Closing date for comments is February 17, 2021.

And the last word goes to:



Friday, Feb. 12