

Chute Lake Elementary

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Hello and Happy New Year!

Term 2 is now upon us and we ask parents to do their best to re-establish good school routines with their children. We look forward to a fantastic 2017 working with you to make your child's school experience the best it can be!

Thank you for a fun filled December. On our last page, we have included some photos taken in December from our Young Entrepreneur's Fair, the Christmas Concert and our Pancakes & PJ day.

Dates to know in January

January 16:

Bumbershoot Cultural Performance (school-wide)

January 26:

Reading with the Kelowna Rockets! Wear your Rockets jersey if you have one!

Coming up in February:

February 6: 2017-18 Registration: for kindergarten and new students

February 9 & 10: Parent-Teacher Conferences/Early Dismissal and Scholastic Book Fair

Thank-You's

- Thank you to our wonderful Chute Lake school community for their generous donations to our Christmas Hampers. Our wrapped boxes were overflowing with toys and gifts for the families and over \$2000 in Save-On-Foods gift cards were purchased! Special thank you to Mrs. Tracey Beckett and our Vice-Principal Mrs. Lindsey Hamilton for organizing this event.
- Thank to you our Grade 6s for their work in creating and marketing their products at the Young Entrepreneurs Fair! The students and many parents and staff enjoyed doing some Christmas shopping at the fair. Partial proceeds from all sales have been donated by the students to the BC Cancer Foundation and the SPCA.
- Thank you to our many wonderful parent volunteers for helping us with our First Annual Pancakes & PJs morning on the last day of school! We could not have done it without you!



Kindergarten and New Student Registration

On Monday February 6, registration for the 2017-18 school year begins. **This is only for incoming kindergarten students, and students in Grades 1-6 wishing to transfer to CLE. You do not need to re-register each year.** If you have a friend or neighbor wanting to come to CLE, please let them know about the registration date! Applications are done online – click [here](#) for more information.



Parking Alert

With the volume of snow we have, our parking lot has shrunk as snow has been piled. Please avoid using the parking lot as much as possible, especially during before and after school pick up/drop off times. Thanks.

Winter Clothing – Cold Weather!

Students will be playing outside everyday—please send them with suitable winter clothing. It's also a huge help if you can label your child's outerwear to reduce the amount of lost items.

Crazy carpets and Toboggans:

We are lucky to have such a wonderful schoolyard to slide on. Students are permitted to use the roll-up crazy carpet or the 'foam' style sleds. Any metal sleds or GT Racer style sleds are NOT allowed. All sleds must be stored outside during the school day. Students MUST write their name on their sled for easy identification.

A reminder on our Rules for Sledding: Sledding will be open at lunch and afternoon recess breaks.

- Intermediate students: The Grade 6s get the big hill on odd numbered days, and the grade 4/5s on even numbered days.
- Primary Students: shared use of the small hill on our school property, by the gym. There's also a smaller hill near the portables.
- 2 people maximum on sleds and no linking sleds together
- Line up at the cones at the top of the hill, and be sure to take turns.
- Once students are at the bottom, they must move to the side quickly and walk back up. Students at the top must wait for the path to be clear before they proceed.



Students who repeatedly don't follow the safety rules will not be allowed to go sledding. We recommend that students wear helmets while sledding to prevent head injuries.

If it becomes too icy, we will close the sledding hills.

Sports at CLE



Tennis will be starting up in the New Year for grade 4 and 5 students. Practices will be at lunch and we will have three after school games at different schools in Kelowna. Please see Mrs. Richardson if interested.

Basketball for Grade 6 boys and girls will also be starting in January. Listen to announcements for the first meeting. We will be playing schools in Kelowna in February and wrapping up the season with a jamboree before Spring Break.



Speech Arts

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting the Second Annual CLE Speech Arts Festival in April of 2017. It will be in place of taking the students to the Kiwanis Music Festival, but follow the same format. In January, interested students will be invited to select a poem to perform as a solo or with a partner. The importance of commitment, especially duo (partner) selections will be stressed.



At the end of January optional practices will be held Monday through Friday from 11:00 – 11:35 depending on the number of entrants. Through a variety of activities we will practice, observe, and respond to our poems. We will work on our pace, enunciation, voice control, expression, and body language. In addition, we will reinforce the importance of being *heard*, *understood*, and *believed*. In April, we will have a primary and an intermediate assembly in preparation for the festival. On April 27 and 28 we will bring in an official adjudicator to judge their recitations. If you child is interested, please have them listen for and attend the registration meeting in January. If you are interested and would like to help with our festival please contact Mrs. Stacy Jaschke at stacy.jaschke@sd23.bc.ca

Reasons For Participating In Festival

- increasing confidence, self-assurance, and faith in speaking abilities
- following through on a commitment
- learning and growing from constructive opinions on how well they performed
- discovering and learning from their mistakes
- being part of a large group of supporting peers
- realizing how they can become more competent public speakers
- developing the ability to speak in front of an audience - the ability to speak in front of an audience was identified to be one of the two most important attributes to advance in a job in the 21st century
- having FUN!

Pink Shirt Day – February 22

Pink Shirt Day is on February 22, 2017. We will be putting in a school order for pink t-shirts for that day. If you would like to order a shirt for your child, we will be taking orders on School Cash Online shortly. Shirts are also available at your local London Drugs.





JANUARY




CLE Absentee/Late Call In Line:

250-870-5139

or email cle@sd23.bc.ca

Please notify by 8:45 am

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Weekly Events:</i>		3	4	5	6	7
Fir's Friends Mon, Wed, Fri at Lunch Recess Gymnastics Wednesdays at Lunch Recess (parent permission required)		Hot Lunch: chicken strips, tortellini & soup		Hot Lunch: Wrapzone		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		Hot Lunch: Jugo Juice		Hot Lunch: pizza		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	- Bumbershoot – Cultural Performance 8:45 am "The Flower Ball"		PAC Meeting 6:30 pm All welcome!			
		Hot Lunch: Subway		Hot Lunch: sushi		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			Kindy Vision Screener	Kelowna Rockets Visit 		
		Hot Lunch: Burgers		Hot Lunch: Hotdogs		
29	30	31			Coming up in February... Kindy & New Student Reg'n Mon Feb 6, 7am (online)	
		Hot Lunch: Wok Box			Parent/Teacher Conferences and early dismissal - Thursday/Friday Feb 9 & 10	