

Feb 13 NO SCHOOL Pro-D Day

Feb 14 100's Day Valentine's Day

Feb 20 **NO SCHOOL** Family Day

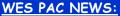
Feb 21 Hot Lunch

Feb 22 Pink Shirt Day

Feb 23 Winter Concert Variety Show

Feb 24 Newsletter

PLEASE CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND!



Next PAC Meeting Monday, March 6, 2023 7:00pm @ WES

\*All parents welcome and invited to attend!



#### WES PILLARS

Look after yourself.
Look after each other.
Look after this place.
Be a respectful listener
and a powerful speaker.

WINDERMERE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, "Where Children Soar" February 10, 2023

Happy Friday Windermere Elementary School families,

As you receive this newsletter, I hope you are getting ready for a wonderful long weekend with your family. Monday is a holiday for students, but WES staff will spend time learning about Truth and Reconciliation and Non-Violent Crisis Intervention as part of their professional development. It feels that we will have a very busy and exciting month before two weeks of Spring Break and our staff look forward to these opportunities for students.

Reminder - Intermediate students have basketball practice on Tuesdays at WES from 3:00-4:30 for any interested students. We also have three ski days coming up as well as one more whole school field trip to Spirit Trail in Fairmont. 100s Day, Valentine's, the Variety Show, Pink Shirt day and report cards are just a few more of the things coming up over the next month. Please refer to the website school calendar if you need to be reminded of any of these dates, or check in with your child's classroom teacher.

I hope you have a wonderful rest of the month and especially a happy, connected Family Day on February 20.

Warm regards, Keri

Keri Gust Principal, Windermere Elementary School SD6

I acknowledge that I live, work and learn on the traditional lands of the Ktunaxa and Secwepemc Peoples and on the land chosen as home by the Métis People of B.C.





# PLEASE DON'T FORGET YOUR DISHES!

Remember to send a plate, bowl and cutlery

### **NEXT HOT LUNCH:**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023

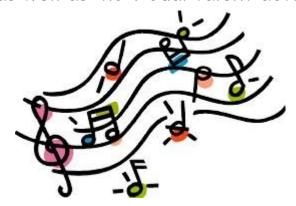
Chinese Noodles n' Stuff With a Chocolate Brownie

WES is excited to announce our upcoming

## Winter Concert Variety Show

With the generous support of PAC, we will be hosting our concert at the Columbia Valley Centre in Invermere on Thursday, February 23rd at 6:00pm

Mark your calendar to come and see performances from all our classes as well as individual talent acts from students



#### Nut Aware

Tree nut items/foods are permitted at the school at this point.

This practice could suddenly change.

In the event that it does, the school will communicate this to let parents/guardians know.



Our newsletters are also available online on our school website at: https://wes.sd6.bc.ca/ Also subscribe to our school calendar!



Please call the school or email Mrs. Nelson if your child will be absent or late 250-342-6640 or nicole.nelson@sd6.bc.



## **Introducing your WES PAC!**

Pictured are some of the members of the WES PAC. PAC meets on the first Monday of every month at 7pm in the WES Staff Room.

All are welcome and encouraged to come!

### What happens at a PAC Meeting?

At every meeting, the school principal gives a report and some updates about things going on at the school. This may include important dates, new opportunities for students/classes, information about assessment and/or school goals, etc.

A teacher representative also gives a report about some of the learning and activities happening in classrooms. If the teachers would like to request something or have questions or ideas for PAC members, the teacher rep brings those forward for discussion, too.

PAC members also have the opportunity to ask questions and share ideas regarding any of the things they see and hear about happening at the school!

Other business such as fundraising ideas, hot lunch updates, and other PAC initiatives are also discussed and reviewed at every meeting.

#### Why do our members come to meetings?

As a group, here are some the things members had to say at the last meeting:

- "I love being involved in my child's education! Why wouldn't you want that?!"
- "I like coming to be informed about my child's school and I love it when the teachers bring activities and lessons to show us."
- "I like having a voice to ensure that our kids get some extra fun activities and experiences like music performances, sports events and the carnival!"
- "I think being on PAC helps build a positive WES community. When more parents are involved and get to know each other, we can all help to support each other, our students and our school staff."
- "I like that it fosters a positive home and school connection. I like knowing more about what my child spends the bulk of their time doing. When I know more, I can ask more questions and extend learning at home."
- "I like being able to ask questions and have discussions about why and how teachers and schools do things."

You do not have to commit to anything extra or sign up to volunteer for things when you come to meetings. The more parent voices and larger parent community we have caring about WES student experiences, the better!

We hope to see you all at the next meeting!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Our	WIOII	Tuc	1 Gr 3 Nordic Ski	2	3 Metis Fiddler presentation @ Laird	4
	KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION					
5	6 PAC Meeting 6:30pm	7 Hot Lunch	8 Gr 3 Nordic Ski	9	10 NEWSLETTER	11
12	13 NO SCHOOL Pro-D Day	Valentine's Day	15 Gr 3 Nordic Ski 100's Day	16 Gr 3-7 Ski or Snow- board @ Panorama	17	18
19	20 NO SCHOOL Family Day	21 Hot Lunch	22 PINK SHIRT DAY	Winter Variety Concert @ Invermere Community Hall 6:00pm	24 NEWSLETTER	25
26	27	28				