



Duncan Cran Elementary School

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March 2, 2010

Dear Parents,

Spring is on the way and our second school term is almost completed!! Even though it has warmed out outside, please make sure that children are dressed warm enough to go outside. Also, once it becomes puddle season, please make sure that your primary child has an extra pair of dry pants in case he/she gets wet. Report cards will be going home on March 15th; if you have any questions or concerns please make an appointment to meet with the teacher.

DISTRICT BAND

District Band will present a concert for the school on March 10th at 1:15 to 2:00 pm. There will be a meeting with Grade 5 students following the performance so that materials can be distributed to possible recruits. Students wishing to take band classes in the 2010 school year should register by May 21, 2010.

The final band concert will take place on Thursday, May 6th at North Peace Secondary beginning at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Admission is by donation.

PARENT INTERNET SESSION #2

Demystifying the Internet

(March 10 - 7:00 - 8:30 - SB0 - School District Office back door, in the District Development Centre)

Facebook? Twitter? Youtube? Moodle? What's all this stuff? This session will look at websites that your kids may be using and you'd like to know more about. We'll talk about some safety considerations and have plenty of time for questions and discussion.

RSVP by email to jbelle@prn.bc.ca or by phone to Sharon Irving at 250-262-6013

LIBRARY

It's that time of year where the library is looking for used books donations for the SPCA Recycled Book Fair. Any child appropriate reading materials would be appreciated. Items will be sold for \$.25 the week of April 26-30 to support the SPCA.

The library will also be collecting SPCA items from Monday, April 12 to Friday, April 30th. They are in need of light bulbs, laundry detergent, bedding, canned food, treats, chews, toys, leashes and collars.

SCIENCE FAIR

Thank you to Mr. Burrige and Mr. Longley for organizing the Science Fair. We had high school students and community judges, who were impressed with the quality of work and the ability of the students to explain their projects.

Winners were as follows

	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Grade 4	James Bueckert	Asia Olson	Zoe MacDuff
Grade 5	Dylan McLachlan	Shailyn Robertson	Keelyn Fox
Grade 6	Karlyn Peterson	Lisa Bedell/Kenley Schmitz	Emma Stanway
Grade 7	Wade Nickerson	Jeremy Needham/Clinton McLachlan	Jenny Cullen/Aesha Thomas

Congratulations to all students!! The District Science Fair is on April 13, 2010 at NPSS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY AND EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS

On Friday, March 5 there will be no school for students as it is a professional development day for teachers. Also, on March 17th and March 18th it will be early dismissal days, students will be dismissed at 1:40 each day. This is to provide the opportunity for parents to come and meet with the teachers concerning their child’s progress. Report Cards go home on Monday, March 15th.

KODIAK DAYS

Mrs. Petuh and Ms.McGarroch have organized activities in the community for the students to do as a celebration of our school term. Students will be bringing a permission slip, please sign the form and return to the school so everyone can participate in a fun filled afternoon.

MOVING?

We are already starting to plan for next year. If you know that you will be moving out of the area and your child will not be attending Duncan Cran in September 2010 please fill in the attached form. Starting 2010 our school will be a kindergarten to grade 6 school. Students in grade 7 will be attending Dr. Kearney or Bert Bowes Middle School. Duncan Cran will be offering a full time kindergarten program, so all our kindergarten students will be attending full day, everyday. If you know of any family with a kindergarten student for 2010, please let them know that we are now accepting registrations.

PROPOSED 2010-2011 SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDER

Please find attached an invitation to attend a meeting regarding the proposed 2010-2011 school calendar

IMPORTANT DATES

March 5, 2010	NID – No school for students
March 12, 2010	Reading Day - Primary in am
March 12, 2010	Kodiak Days
March 12 & 13	Gr 6/7 Basketball Tournament at NPSS
March 17 & 18, 2010	Early Dismissal at 1:40 pm
March 19, 2010	Reading Day – Intermediate in am
March 22 – April 2, 2010	Spring Break
April 6, 2010	First day back from Spring Break
April 13, 2010	District Science Fair
April 29 & 30	Elementary Badminton Tournament

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NEXT YEAR’S PLANNING

Child’s Name: _____

- My child will be attending Duncan Cran for 2010-2011
- My child will not be attending Duncan Cran for 2010-2011 as we are leaving the District
- My child will not be attending Duncan Cran for 2010-2011 as we are moving to another school in Fort St. John

Early Newsletter signature return

Students will receive special pencils after their names are drawn from the *Early Newsletter signature return* box.

Yes, I have received and read the March 2, 2010 newsletter.

Parent’s Signature _____

Student’s Name _____

(Please Print)