

September 19, 2008

Dear PA School Families,

Congratulations!

On Wednesday, Assistant Superintendent Brent Kaulback presented Nicholas Cockney with a new computer system. Nicholas was the lucky winner in the Great Homework Completion Contest sponsored by the South Slave Homework and Study Skills Committee. Nicholas and 96 other Hay River students had their names entered in the draw in recognition of almost 100% homework completion throughout the 2007-08 year. Nicholas and the others diligently completed their homework and had their parents/guardians sign their agenda more than 150 times during the school year before the draw. Congratulations to Nicholas and all the other students whose homework habits are creating success—let’s get everyone in the 08-09 draw!



Congratulations!

Don’t miss this week’s *Hub* and *News/North*, which carry articles about Caitlin Chambers’ outstanding performance in the Canada’s Super Speller competition sponsored by the CBC. Caitlin is even on the cover of *News/North*! Great job, Caitlin!

Digital PA Letters

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Cadets begin Monday

The Hay River Army Cadet Corps will hold their first meeting of the year on Monday, September 22, from 7-9 p.m. upstairs at the Legion. The Cadet Program is open to youth aged 12 to 18, and has helped to prepare over 800 Hay River youth for adulthood since 1971. Cadets provides youth with opportunities such as: air rifle marksmanship; drill training, competition and parade; navigation and orienteering games; cold weather field training exercises; summer camp experiences; and travel opportunities. Girls and boys are encouraged to enroll as soon as they turn 12 years old, any time during the year. Adult volunteers are also welcome.

And Speaking of the Legion...

Many thanks to Mr. Peter Osted, who spoke at our assembly on Wednesday to present each homeroom and our library with copies of *In Flanders Fields* and *A Poppy Is to Remember*, two books which will help us better understand and prepare for Remembrance Day.

Autumn's Coming

...and colder weather has already arrived. Please be sure that your child is properly dressed for dropping temperatures, because recess can be pretty chilly—especially when the wind blows!

Go Predators!

The annual Elks Soccer Tournament begins this afternoon and runs all weekend (the finals are on Sunday). We have nine teams in the competition, playing at Tri-Service Field and out at the Golf Course. Come by if you can to support our PA Predators and see some super soccer!

Attention PA Runners

The Kiwanis Cross-Country Classic Run will take place next Wednesday, September 25, on the Golf Course. Races will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude by noon. We'll be awarding ribbons at assembly on Friday, September 26, at 11:10.

Our school Terry Fox Run will take place at noon on Friday, September 26.

Congratulations...

...to this week's PAS-itive draw winners: **Nathan Scheper** in grade 7; **Connor May** in grade 6; **Novie Bordey** in grade 5; and **Colinda Cayen** in grade 4. Great job!

All PA'S in!

Sincerely,

Geoff Buerger
Principal