

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Dear PA School Families and Friends,

No School Tomorrow or Next Friday

Tomorrow (Friday, May 14) is a CEP day at school. There will be no classes, and buses will not run. Similarly, next Friday (May 21) is a Professional Development day for staff: there will be no school for students.

Speaking of dates...

Our May Awards Assembly will be Friday, May 28, at 11:10. We usually have our Awards Assemblies on the first Friday of the month, but since June 4 is Track & Field we've rescheduled.

On a related note, you can find our school updated calendar online through the school website, or at <http://www.ssdec.nt.ca/pa/GoogleCalendar.html>. Listed are the events still ahead this year, as well as the major dates for 2010-11. Please let us know what you think!



Congratulations, Predators (the illustrated version)!

Last week we received photos of the grade 7 boys and girls soccer teams only after we went to press. Above are team pictures of the boys with their silver medals, and the girls, who won bronze, at the annual Ernie's Rock-Around-the-Clock Indoor Soccer Tournament in Grande Prairie. Thanks again to our coaches and sponsors!

Volunteer Night Tonight

This evening we will be celebrating the community volunteers who do so much to create positive opportunities for Hay River youth. Please join us in the Diamond Jenness concourse at 7 tonight!

Track & Field

The deadline for Track & Field registrations is coming up fast! If your child is planning to participate, please return her or his \$15 registration fee to the office as soon as possible.

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Lights On! this weekend

Lights On! continues this Saturday, and children in grades 4 through 7 are welcome to join us for a program of healthy activities from **7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** Please use the community (grade 7) entrance. As always, students who attend must know how they are getting home after *Lights On!*, and must bring their indoor shoes with them.



Shayne Stoll at PA

On Monday noted Saskatchewan comedian Shayne Stoll (shown left, in a rare moment of relative repose) spoke to grade 6 and 7 students. He takes a humorous approach to a serious problem, and uses laughter as well as a poignant story to emphasize the importance of taking care of family and friends.

Our thanks to the sponsors who made his visit possible: the NWT Department of Transportation, the Yellowknife chapter of SADD, and especially the Hay River Interagency Group.

Grade Seven Updates

We have begun coordinating with our colleagues across the street for the transition of our grade seven students to DJSS at the end of the year. Watch for a letter coming home (next week, I hope) outlining grade-specific information such as our final exam dates and DJSS grade 8 course selection procedures.

Lost & Found

We still have lots of abandoned hats, mitts, shoes, sweatshirts, and jackets in our Lost & Found bins. Please ask your child(ren) to check the bins for missing items. (If you would like to come in yourself, please do!) Unclaimed items will be donated to the Thrift Shop.

Congratulations! to...

this week's PAS draw winners: **James Beaulieu** in grade 4, **Brooklyn Boudreau** in grade 5, **Larissa Nekurak** in grade 6, and **Elycia Nimegeers** in grade 7. **Ms. Boudreau** won the teachers' draw, and 7B will receive their class treat next week.

All PA'S in!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Geoff Buerger".

Geoff Buerger
Principal