



SALMO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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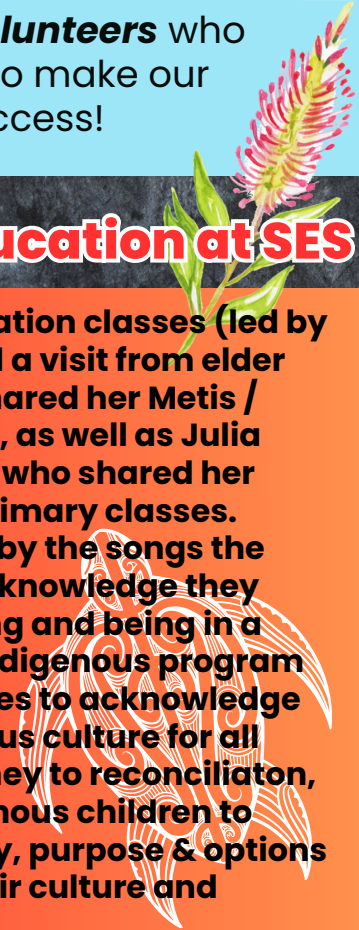
Winter Concert



We were overjoyed to welcome our families to our Winter Concert on the last week of school in December. All of our students performed beautifully; we are so proud. **Many thanks to our staff and parent volunteers** who devoted their time to make our performances a success!

Indigenous Education at SES

Our Indigenous Education classes (led by Ms Hatt) experienced a visit from elder Donna Wright who shared her Metis / Cree drum teachings, as well as Julia Kanatski from COINS who shared her teachings with the primary classes. Julia was impressed by the songs the students have, & the knowledge they have about drumming and being in a sharing circle. The Indigenous program in our school continues to acknowledge the value of Indigenous culture for all students on our journey to reconciliation, and supports Indigenous children to move towards dignity, purpose & options as they celebrate their culture and identities. Taanshi!



Superintendent Visit



We are very happy to welcome our District Superintendent, **Trish Smillie** for a school visit on the morning of January 11th. Trish will be going on a student-led tour of the school, meeting with teachers & PAC, and honouring our long term school staff. Parents who are wishing to arrange a meeting with Trish can contact the office.

Important Dates



- Jan 2 - First Day Back to School
- Jan 11 - Superintendent Visit
- Jan 15 - District Pro-D - NO SCHOOL
- Jan 17 / 24 / 31 - Primary Skating Days

Scholastic Book Fair



Our Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success, with approximately \$4000 in total sales, and \$580 scholastic dollars earned - meaning more books for the school! Thank you for all of your purchases!

Thank you Donors!



We are very grateful for some very generous donations of \$500 from Kootenay Savings & \$235 from The Gathering Place! Funds will be put towards school supplies and student enrichment. We also are thankful for a few very generous anonymous community donors who sponsored families in need this holiday.