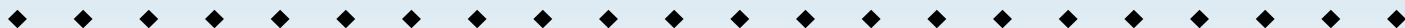


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January 2024 Newsletter

Principal's Message:

Happy New Year!



As we welcome the new year, it is only fitting to reflect on all of the accomplishments of the past and set our sights on the promising future that lies ahead. I am immensely proud of the unwavering spirit that defines Kersley Elementary and the community.

Exciting opportunities for our students are on the horizon with fun school-wide activities such as the Read-o-Rama and out of school experiences being planned such as cross country skiing at Hallis Lake. I encourage all students to actively participate and seize these opportunities as they will contribute to their personal and academic growth and development. We can do hard things!

With the snow finally arriving, I'd like to take a moment to remind both students and parents about the importance of dressing appropriately for snowy weather. Here are a few guidelines to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone:

- **Layer Up:** Encourage your child to dress in layers. Thermal shirts, sweaters, and a waterproof outer layer can provide both warmth and protection from the elements.
- **Waterproof Footwear:** With snow and slush on the ground, waterproof boots are essential to keep feet warm and dry.
- **Hats and Gloves:** Don't forget the importance of covering extremities. A warm hat and insulated gloves or mittens can make a significant difference in maintaining body heat.
- **Scarves:** A scarf can provide additional protection for the neck and face against the cold wind.
- **Extra Set of Clothes:** For our younger students, please pack an extra set of clothes in their backpacks, just in case they get wet during outdoor play. Especially extra socks!

Let's work together to make this winter season not only safe but also filled with joy and memorable experiences.

Stay warm and enjoy the snowy days!

Ms. J. Sellers



Upcoming Events: January 22 - February 16

Week of:	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
January 22 - 26	22	23 Fostering Literacy 2:45pm	24	25 Read-o-Rama Fostering Literacy 2:45pm	26 KODIAKS Assembly Hat/Toque Spirit Day Hot Lunch: Panago
Jan 29 - Feb 2	29	30 Fostering Literacy 2:45pm	31	1 Fostering Literacy 2:45pm	2 NI DAY - No School
February 5 - 9	5	6 Fostering Literacy 2:45pm	7 PAC Meeting	8 Senior's Lunch (Div. 3) Fostering Literacy 2:45pm	9 Hot Lunch: Tacos
February 12 - 16	12 Troll Ski Day (Div. 3)	13 Fostering Literacy 2:45pm	14	15 Troll Ski Day (Div. 3) Fostering Literacy 2:45pm	16 Troll Ski Day (Div. 3)
February 19 - 23	19 Family Day - No School	20	21	22 BC Games - No School	23 BC Games - No School

UPCOMING DATES!

FEBRUARY

28 - Pink Shirt Day, KODIAKS Assembly

MARCH

2 - Purdys order due

4, 6, 7 - Hallis Lake Cross Country Skiing - Whole School

14 - Senior's Lunch - Div. 3, Purdys Chocolates Pick-Up

15 - Last Day before Spring Break, KODIAKS Assembly, Character Spirit Day

Bell Schedule 2023 - 2024

8:15	Morning Session
10:00-10:15	Recess
10:15-11:45	Late Morning Session
11:45-12:44	Lunch
12:44-2:23	Afternoon Session

What's up Kersley Kodiaks!!!

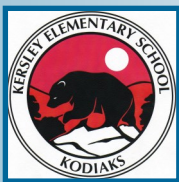
We had a FUN-FILLED December with various arts and crafts and Deck The Halls! Thank you to the PAC and Parent Volunteers who facilitated this event!



KODIAKS Award Winners for DECEMBER!

Kersley Deep Learning Awards were presented to Leyland Jimmie, Layla Koning and Mason Dumais. These students demonstrated focus on their learning by listening to others and asking powerful questions. Well Done!

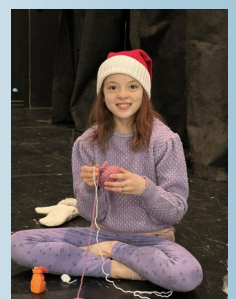
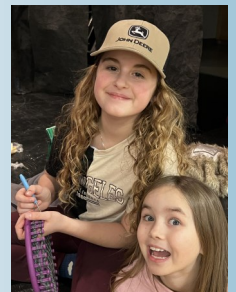
KODIAKS ticket draw prizes were presented to Isabella Wozny, Brooke Togerson and Ally McIvor. Way to be positive Kersley role models!



Kersley Community
Outdoor Learning and Connections
Deep Learning
I can!
Appreciate Ourselves and Others
Keep up the Challenge
Strength of Mind, Body, and Heart



Yarn Club!



Monthly Reminders

Kersley is a Legume, Soy & Scent Free School

Please remember we are a **Nut, Legume & Soy free school**

Due to severe anaphylactic allergies including peanuts, tree nuts and all legumes, including soy, we ask that you refrain from sending food that include these ingredients

WOW butter contains soy, so therefore we cannot have students bringing it. **Hummus** is also a product we cannot have at school.

Please remind students not share their food.

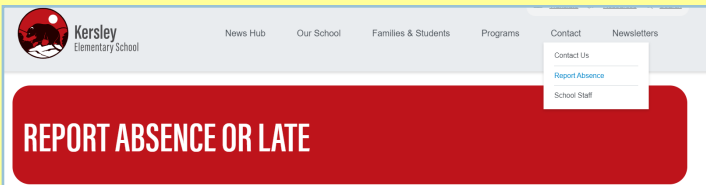
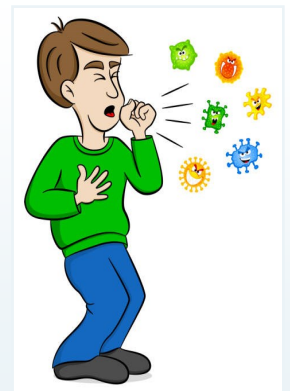


REMINDER of Healthy Practices

Please keep your student home when they are sick as this stops the spread of illness.

Students, visitors and staff should stay home if they have symptoms of illness such as: fever or chills, difficulty breathing, diarrhea, runny nose, headache, sore throat, sneezing, body aches, loss of sense of smell or taste, loss of appetite, extreme fatigue or tiredness, vomiting, severe uncontrolled coughing or wheezing.

If you are sick or feel unwell please stay home.



STUDENT ABSENCE

If your child is going to be absent please remember to call the school or go to our website and click on the contact tab - [report absence](#).

Thank you for your cooperation as this makes things much smoother in the morning if we are aware.

Secretarial Hours:

Monday 8:00 - 10:15am

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:00 - 11:00am

Friday 8:00 - 10:00am



Parking Lot

Our parking lot and drive-through zone is a busy place at our school. Our aim is to keep this area as safe as possible. It is very important that we all travel through our drive-through zone in the correct direction and park in a way as to not block our staff parking lot area. Please do not park in the middle of the lot. We prefer you to back in against the concrete blocks. This will ensure student safety as you leave the area after dismissal.

Thank you!

Kersley Elementary Purdys Chocolates Fundraiser!

<https://group.purdys.com/1468337-115163>



Deadline for orders is Saturday, March 2

Pick up is scheduled for Thursday, March 14 (at the school)

Please contact Janene Sellers at the school (250-747-2624) or by email janenesellers@sd28.bc.ca if you have any questions.

Thank you for supporting Kersley Elementary!



KINDERGARTEN

REGISTRATION 2024-2025

Begins January 29, 2024 at your neighborhood school

Eligibility: Children must turn five years of age between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024

Required Documents:

- Birth Certificate/Passport/Status Card
- BC Medical Card/BC Services Card
- 2 documents that show Proof of Address in Quesnel

Registration in French Immersion Program:

Please contact École Red Bluff Lhtako at 250-747-2634

If you have questions, please contact School District 28 Administration office at 250-992-8802

Thank you