

The GHES Newsletter

The Golden Horn Elementary School Newsletter

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Principal's Message:

Happy New Year! The staff and students enjoyed a wonderful break and are eager to get back to work. The extreme temperatures made the journey back to school a little tricky but we managed! Thank you to everyone for ensuring that the children are dressed for our Yukon winter. Over the next month we encourage you to join us for the Kindergarten Open House, the Golden Horn Elementary School Community Disc Golf Course meeting, and the School Council Family Dance. Be sure to use the 'Dates to Remember' section of the newsletter to update your personal calendars.

Welcome to Jessica Leigh and Stacey Sippel who have joined our Golden Horn Family. Jessica and Stacey support our students in their role as Educational Assistants.

Wendy Close

SCHOOL GOAL FOR 2014 – 2015

How can we build on our existing successes to move students and staff closer to the realization of their best selves? In order to ensure that we are prepared for a world that will likely be very different from the one we currently live in, how will we help students and staff become adaptive, resilient, confident, and caring?

MAD ABOUT PLAID DAY

It is time to check out your wardrobe to see if you have plaid for the January 22nd 'Mad About Plaid Day' at Golden Horn Elementary School.



QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Success is getting what you want; happiness is wanting what you get." *Dale Carnegie*

CHRISTMAS CONCERT VIDEOS

Your personal copy of the 2014 Golden Horn Elementary School Christmas Concert will be available in the very near future! An order form will be sent home soon.



KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

Do you have a child who will begin Kindergarten in the fall? Do you have a friend, neighbor, relative, or colleague who has a child beginning Kindergarten in the fall? Well...spread the word because we are hosting our FOURTH annual

Kindergarten Open House

on Wednesday, January 14th from 6:30 – 7:30 pm! This is an opportunity to meet the teacher, check out the school, and get answers to those questions that have been keeping some of you up at night. Please remember to bring your children. For more information please contact the school at 667 – 8130. Thank you in advance for spreading the word about our open house!

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

On December 12th we held the annual Christmas Bazaar. Thanks to the generous donations from families, community members, and local businesses we raised \$3089.31 for school projects. We hope everyone enjoyed the bazaar as much as we did!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The annual Christmas Concert on December 18th was a smashing success. Thank you to Ms. Berg and our amazing Golden Horn Elementary School students for the delightful performances! Thank you to Ms. Fairburn and her elves for the beautiful slideshow. Thank you to Mr. Senecal for the technical support. Thank you to Ms. Beaulieu and her students for decorating the gym. Thank you to Mr. Berkman for videotaping the performances.

GR 6 CLASS RAISE MONEY FOR DMD

The Grade 6 class would like to announce that they were able to reach their fundraising goal of \$1000.00 for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy research by the first day before Christmas break. Thanks to the dedication of the students and parents, the class was able to raise over \$1055.00 in under two months of bake sales and raffles. The Grade 6 class would like to thank all the students, parents and staff in the Golden Horn Family who helped them during their fundraising efforts. This generous donation will go towards improving the treatment and quality of life for all individuals affected by Duchenne muscular dystrophy. Great job Grade 6!

WHITEHORSE FOOD BANK

Golden Horn Elementary Helps the Food Bank. Big thanks to Golden Horn Elementary School. As a Christmas food drive they brought us over a thousand pounds of food. They also raised almost \$500.00 cash selling their artwork as Holiday cards. Also a big shout out to PR Services for printing their cards so they could sell them to benefit the Whitehorse Food Bank.



TEACHERS ARE LEARNERS TOO!

The staff at Golden Horn Elementary School will continue their journey as learners during the final Professional Development Day for 2014 – 2015 on January 23rd!

SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Dance: The annual School Dance is on February 6, at 6:30. Be on time to get your raffle tickets and door prize tickets!

Dance Music: Be part of School Dance song selection! Visit <http://goldenhorncouncil.weebly.com/> and look for the School Dance blog. Leave your song selection in the comments. Anyone submitting a song selection will be entered in a draw!

Join School Council: The Golden Horn School Council has a vacant seat. If you would like more information about this, please email School Council at goldenhorncouncil@gmail.com.

Student Conduct Plan: Visit the school website to see the new Student Conduct Plan.

Doing What Matters Most: *How parents can help their children succeed at school* Download the document below for some great tips to helping your child get the most out of school.

<http://www.peopleforeducation.ca/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/People-for-Education-Doing-What-Matters-Most-how-parents-can-help-their-children-succeed-at-school-20111.pdf>

Keep in touch with School Council:

- goldenhorncouncil.weebly.com
- Facebook

Join us for our next meeting on **January 12, 2015** at 7 p.m. in the school library.

Dates to Remember:

- ❖ Jan. 13 Grade 7 Transition Meeting at 7:00
- ❖ Jan. 14 Kindergarten Open House at 6:30
- ❖ Jan. 15 Fire Drill
- ❖ Jan. 16 Grade 6 & 7 at Mt. Sima
- ❖ Jan. 16 Piano Concert at 10:00 am
- ❖ Jan. 16 K – Grade 3 Swim/Skate
- ❖ Jan. 21 Disc Golf Course Meeting at 7:00
- ❖ Jan. 22 Mad About Plaid Day
- ❖ Jan. 23 PD Day – No Classes
- ❖ Jan. 26 Kindergarten at Mt. Mac
- ❖ Feb. 2 Kindergarten at Mt. Mac
- ❖ Feb. 4 Grade 1 at Mt. Mac
- ❖ Feb. 5 – 6 Grade 6 Polar Games
- ❖ Feb. 6 Grade 7 at Mt. Sima
- ❖ Feb. 6 Family Dance 6:30 – 8:00
- ❖ Feb. 9 Kindergarten at Mt. Mac
- ❖ Feb. 11 Grade 1 at Mt. Mac
- ❖ Feb. 18 Grade 1 at Mt. Mac
- ❖ Feb. 20 Heritage Day—No School
- ❖ Mar. 16 – 27 ~ Spring Break ~
- ❖ Mar. 30 First day back after spring break
- ❖ April 3 Good Friday—No School
- ❖ April 6 Easter Monday—No School
- ❖ May 18 Victoria Day—No School
- ❖ June 12 Grade 7 Graduation
- ❖ June 15 Last Day of School

THE NEWSLETTER CONTEST

**Enter to win two movie passes!
This month we have one adult movie
pass and one child movie pass!**

Congratulations to *Cadence* who knew that the teachers worked on the question "What counts in the support of student learning?"

In the January newsletter I learned that I need

to dress in _____ on

_____ for

_____ Day.

Student Name/ Grade

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Bring your entry form to the office by January 30th, 2015.

