



École Nesika Elementary School

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This is a good way to check for new or updated school information between newsletters, as well as celebrations of school community and culture.

Kindergarten Registration/Inscription à la maternelle:

Kindergarten registration is under way for the **2024/25 school year**. Children must be 5 years old by **December 31, 2024**, to register. **A birth certificate or passport, BC Care Card and two pieces of proof of address are required to register. Registration forms MUST be completed at the catchment area school or on-line at www.sd27.bc.ca**

IMPORTANT: If you have a child starting kindergarten in September it is important to register **BEFORE March 15th**, as vacant spots may be filled with School of Choice applications after this date.

Please Note/Notez bien: Students **NOT** living in the Nesika Elementary catchment area **MUST** submit a "School of Choice" application if wishing to enroll in a Kindergarten program at Nesika. **(This applies even if you already have another child already attending Nesika).**

School of Choice/L'école de votre choix:

Parents wishing for their child to attend a school that is **NOT** their catchment school **MUST** fill out a "School of Choice" application available **ON-LINE ONLY** (paper copies will **NOT** be available). **A computer will be available at the catchment school for parents/guardians who do not have access to a computer at home.**



School of Choice Applications will be accepted on-line from January 29th – March 13th.

Parents/guardians will receive a confirmation email stating that the application has been submitted.

Intramural Basketball/basketball parascolaire:

Intramural sports are back! Basketball season is here and practices are happening during lunch time and games are after school. Students who are playing on Grade 5 and 6 teams have received a schedule from their coaches. Thank you coaches!

Cold Weather/Quand il fait froid:

During the winter months, it is critical that students arrive at school each day prepared for the cold weather (warm coat; gloves/mittens; head/ear covering; boots and waterproof snow pants). Students must be dressed appropriately so that they remain safe and comfortable during the following times: before and after school; recess; lunchtime; fire drills; bus line ups; and outside learning times. If your child needs some extra outdoor clothing, please contact the office so we can support.

Field Trips/Voyage de classe:

Lots of our classes continue to have field trip days booked throughout February. Trips including skating, Scout Island, curling, and cross-country ski trips (we hope!). Please continue to check backpacks, day planners/agendas for reminders and permission forms from your child's teacher. Thank you/merci!



Mindful Mondays:

Ms. Olhauer, a SD27 teacher, will be starting a program with us on Mondays after lunch. This program will teach our students social-emotional coping strategies such as breath work. We are looking forward to beginning this program in February!

Valentines Day Dance/Danse de la Saint Valentine:

Leadership Club is running a primary and intermediate Valentine's Day themed dance on **Wednesday February 14th**. *Questions about Valentine card/exchanges should be directed to your classroom teacher.*

Dress-Up Day/ Journée de costume:

Leadership Club has planned a fun theme day on **Friday, February 23rd** – Dress like, "What do you want to be when you grow up?!" (An Occupation 😊)

Pink Shirt Day/Journée de la chemise rose:

Pink Shirt Day is on **February 28th**. Pink Shirt Day is celebrated across the globe to take a stand against bullying and promote acts of kindness. Each year the Pink Shirt Day campaign adopts a new theme to highlight topical issues around bullying. This year's "all kinds of kindness" theme encourages us to treat everyone with dignity and respect.



Purdys Chocolates/ Chocolats Purdys :

Calling all chocolate lovers! Nesika will be selling Purdys chocolates as an Easter Fundraiser. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards student activities. Purdys information is included with this newsletter. **Catalogs are available at the school office.**

Red Tomato Pie Student of the Week/L'étudiant(e) de la semaine:

Congratulations to the following students who received a "Red Tomato Pie Coupon" for being nominated as student of the week in January.

January 8: Lilly A - nominated by Ms. Peach
January 15: Wacey A. - nominated by Ms. Kolinsky
January 22: Zacarias Z. - nominated by Ms. Guichon
January 29: - Sylvie R. - nominated by Ms. Burgar



For more details on the Nesika Student of the Week Program and photos check out our Facebook page

Thank you, PAC and our fundraising community, for supporting recreational swims and skating from October through February. We appreciate your support!

Food Orders/Commandes de février:

February 7: Poutine (**Orders close this Friday for poutine**)
February 14: Pizza
February 21: Hot Dogs
February 28: Friendship Soup
Popcorn Dates: February 2, 9, 23



Munch-a-lunch will be open from **February 1st – 28th** for parents/guardians to place orders. <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Nesika>

PAC NEWS/Nouvelles de PAC

Find us on Facebook/Retrouvez-nous sur Facebook @ Nesika P.A.C. for news, updates, reminders and opportunities to get involved at Nesika.

PAC Meeting/Réunion du PAC:

The next PAC meeting will be held on **February 8th, at 5:00 p.m.**, in the school Library.

West Coast Seeds Fundraiser closes on **February 7th**. The fundraising site is fundraising.westcoastseeds.com and under 'Select your Organization' find Nesika Elementary School PAC in the dropdown menu. Contact nesikapac@hotmail.com if you have questions!