



St. Elias Community School

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Happy New Year Everyone!!

We are into the swing of a great 2017 at St. Elias Community School. As we begin a New Year, I would like to extend a very special thank you to our parents and our community for the continued support and assistance with school programs and initiatives.

The St. Elias School Cross Country Ski Club:

Ski Club is back for the 2017 season for all students Gr.1 and up. Students who are interested should let their teacher or the office know so they can receive a permission form to fill out.

We will be skiing at the Community Forestry Ski Trails on **Tuesdays from January 24 until March 14, 2017.** Parents/Guardians are welcome to join us!

- No Equipment? No problem. The school will provide all equipment for any students interested in skiing.
- No Experience Required! Learn to ski in a social and fun atmosphere.

Personal staff vehicles will provide transportation to the Forestry Ski Trails. We will leave the school at 3:15 and return by 4:45 p.m. Snacks will be provided. If the temperature is -20 C or below we will remain at the school for indoor ski related activities.

Ski equipment is also available to the public for the ski season. Please contact Ms. Cooper at the school if you are interested in borrowing equipment.

Please feel free to contact Ms. Cooper, Ms. Buck, Ms. Burton, Ms. Cheetham or Mr. Allaway at the school if you have any questions.

In School Ski Sessions:

Ski sessions for Gr. 1/2, 3/4, and 5/6 will begin soon. Thanks again to our community instructors Kate Moylan and Derek Wolfe! Mike Gladish from Cross Country Yukon will be here on January 31, 2017 to join both the in-school sessions and after school ski club that day. Please stay tuned for further information.

Upcoming Events:

- Jan. 13 - WCB Internet Safety presentation, Gr. 9/10
- Jan. 13 – Traditional Drumming Teachings with Joe Migwans, K4 - Gr.12
- Jan. 16 &17 – Self Portrait Project Gr. 5-8, with artist Mechel Melvin
- Jan. 17 to 19 – High-school Semester 1 Final Exams
- Jan. 23 – Semester II begins
- Jan. 25 – High-school report cards sent home
- Jan. 26 – SECS Gr. 5/6 Science Fair
- Feb. 8 – Grad Pizza Night
- Feb. 10 – WCB Internet Safety presentation, Gr. 5/6/7, & Gr.8
- Feb. 18 – Stikine Science Fair

Welcome back to students Ayla and Ever, and welcome to Ms. Peterson, St. Elias School's new EA!

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SECS Science Fair:

The grade 5/6 class has been working very hard in preparation for the upcoming *St. Elias Community School Science Fair*. As middle school students, they have been using scientific thinking to conduct an investigation, design an experiment, or explore an issue. The students will present their final projects to their schoolmates and the general public on **Thursday January 26th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm** in the **school gymnasium**. If you have the opportunity, please come by the school to check out the students' projects.

The top three finalists from the SECS Science Fair will go on to the **Yukon Regional Science Fair**, in Whitehorse, on **February 18th**.

Play for Literacy:

On **January 26, 2017 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm** St. Elias School is hosting a **Family Games Night** in the school gym. Please bring your family and join us for an evening of literacy and numeracy board and word games that encourage fun and learning! Plan to make this a family and community event!!!

Semester I Exams:

The last day of Semester I at St. Elias Community School is **Friday January 20, 2017**. Our Semester II classes begin on **Monday January 23, 2017**. High School exams will take place **Tuesday January 17 – Thursday January 19, 2017**. (See attached Schedule of Exams).

During SECS Exam days, students in Gr. 8-12 are required to attend all scheduled Tutorials and Study Hall Sessions to ensure they have studied for their upcoming exams, and that their course work is fully completed by January 20, 2017.

Grad Fundraisers:

This year's Grad class is planning various events to raise funds to support their graduation ceremony. Wednesday **February 8, 2017 is Pizza Night**, and **Wednesday March 8, 2017 is Lasagna Night**. Grad students will be calling your home to take orders in advance. Please call Ms. Drinnan, the Grad coordinator at the school if you have any questions, and watch for more Grad fundraiser events.

Grade 8 to 12 Exam Schedule – January 2017

Tuesday, January 17

9:00 a.m.

English 8 Tutorial
Science 10 /11 (BE) Tutorial
Physics 11 Tutorial
Communications 12 Tutorial

1:00 p.m.

English 8 Exam
Science 10/11 (BE) Exam
Physics 11 Exam
Study Hall

** Grade 9/10 Field Trip**

Wednesday, January 18

9:00 a.m.

English 8 Assignment Completion
Foods 9/10 Exam
WISE 9/10 Tutorial
Math 11/12 Tutorial
Study Hall

1:00 p.m.

French 8/9 Exam
Southern Tutchone 8/9 exam
Wise Outdoor Pursuits Exam
Math 11/12 Exam
Study Hall

Thursday, January 19

9:00 a.m.

Social 8 Tutorial
Science 9/10 Tutorial
WISE 9/10 Science Tutorial
English 11/12 Tutorial
Communications 12 Tutorial
Study Hall

1:00 p.m.

Social 8 Exam
Science 9/10 Exam
WISE 9/10 Science Exam
English 11/12 Exam
Communications 12 Exam
Study Hall

Friday, January 20

9:00 a.m.

Make Up Exams

Final Submission of missing assignments and projects – 12:00 noon

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English 12 B.C. Prov Exam: January 24th @ 9:00 a.m.

Communications 12 BC Prov Exam: January 25th @ 9:00 a.m.