



St. Elias Community School

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We would like to give parents and students a quick reminder of some of the important dates and events coming up at SECS.

Tomorrow, **Friday March 21st** is our last day of school, Spring Break is from March 24th – 28th, 2014. Students are back in regular scheduled classes Monday March 31st. Have an enjoyable and relaxing time!

Arctic Winter Games:

We are sending a “Shout Out” to our students competing in the Arctic Winter Games this week. We’ve made a good showing in the standings so far. As of this morning, Anthony won a Gold Ulu for the Jr. Male Snow Snake, and Brittney, Natane, Matt, Ashton and Sarina have all won a Gold Ulu in Handgames! Brittney won a Bronze Ulu for Jr. Female Snow Snake and Michael won a Bronze Ulu for Speed Skating. Matt placed 6th in the Open Snow Snake, Michael placed 4th in the 500 meter. Sarina placed 8th, Ashton placed 11th and Natane placed 17th in the Snow Snake event also. Way to go everyone! Good luck with the remaining few days of events!

K-4 Orientation and Registration:

St. Elias Community School is preparing for next year’s registration for all K-4 students. We invite parents of children turning 4 years old by Dec. 31st, 2014 to contact the school to begin the **K-4 Registration** process for 2014-2015. All K-4 students and families will be invited to attend a K-4 Orientation Session to be held in May. More information to follow.

Take Care Mr. Nichols!

We would like to take this time to say take care and best wishes to Mr. Nichols who is taking a leave of absence from March 31st until the end of the year.

Upcoming Events:

- Mar. 21: Last day of school before Spring Break
- Mar. 24-28: Spring Break
- Mar. 31: First Day back to school
- Apr. 7-9: Mid-term Exams
- Apr. 14-17: Egg decorating in class
- Apr. 14-18: Education Week
- Apr. 15: Public Egg Decorating from 6:00 – 8:30pm.
- Apr. 16: Student Led Conferences
- Apr. 18-21: Easter Weekend
- Apr. 23: SECS Heritage Fair
- May 1: Territorial Heritage Fair

Ukrainian Egg Decorating:

Ukrainian Easter Egg decorating is a very popular activity for our students and the community. The Gr.6/7's are hosting egg decorating for other classes the week of April 14th to April 17th. Our annual evening session is on Tuesday, April 15th from 6:00 to 8:30 pm in the Gr. 6/7 classroom. **For the evening session, anyone grade three or under must be accompanied by an adult.** Everyone is asked to bring raw eggs in a carton, and paper towels to clean their eggs.

Elementary Report Cards:

Yesterday K-4 through Gr. 7 Elementary Report Cards were sent home with students. This is a great time to discuss student progress with your child and to celebrate their learning and achievement. Taking time to set learning goals with your child for the upcoming term is a vital factor in promoting student success. Student Led Conferences will happen mid-April, however if you have any questions in regard to your child's report card you can contact their classroom teacher at the school.

Student Led Conferences:

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! St. Elias Community School will be conducting **Student – Led Conferences** for all students and parents in **Grades K -12 on Wednesday April 16th, 2014. There will be no regularly scheduled school for Grades Kg -12 students on this day.** Schedule Interview times for Student Led Conferences will be sent home during the 1st week of April.

Grade 6/7 Heritage Fair:

The Gr. 6/7 students are hard at work on their Heritage Fair Projects and are eager about sharing their wonderful family history research. The St. Elias Community School Heritage Fair takes place on Apr. 23 in our school gym. Judging of the student project displays will be from 1:00pm – 3:00pm. See you there! Please note the Territorial Heritage Fair held in Whitehorse is scheduled to take place Thursday May 1st, 2014.

High School Mid-Term Exams:

We are approaching the half-way point of this second semester and report card season. Our students in grade 8 – 12 will be completing mid-term tests and exams. Exams will be held during the regular class time starting April 7th and finishing by April 9th. Report Cards will be sent home on April 14th.