



Journal News

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Happy Holidays ÉWES Families

As you may know, each year, ÉWES alternates between a Christmas Concert and a Craft Night with a sing-along. You are cordially invited to our **2014 Craft Night Extravaganza on December 18th at 6:30 p.m..**

Here's how it works: Please arrive on time and select a craft that is interesting to you and your child. The crafts will be displayed on the bulletin board outside the library. You will have 45 minutes to complete the craft. At 7:15, everyone is invited to gather in the gymnasium for a sing-along.

We look forward to seeing you there. Please note that on this night, we ask that you keep your boots on for your own safety. Thank you.

Staff News!

Congratulations to the staff members who were recognized during a Long Service Award ceremony: M. Alain Desrochers, Mme Claire Reeves and Mme Marie-Maude Allard for 10 years of service; Mme Sofie Maurice for 15 years of service; and Mme Hélène Saint Onge for 25 years of service.

Welcome! Mme Katie had a healthy baby boy, Austen. All the best!

Bienvenue to our new Grade 1 teachers, Mme Neila Starratt and M. Matt Mactavish. We are excited to welcome you into our school family.

Au revoir: Mme Monique Coderre, Mme Joanne Stanhope and Mme Crystal Pearl-Hodgins are all retiring before the end of this calendar year. We thank them for the years of service and dedication to our students here at ÉWES and wish them all the best with their new adventures.





A note from **Takhini Transport**

Please be advised that when classes are going skating at the Canada Games Centre and are required to ride on the bus, skates need to be stored in bags or have skate guards on them, as seats are being damaged. Thank you for your co-operation.



Canadian Parents for French is a volunteer based organisation that advocates access to French Language programs. It has a 37 year long history, with 20,000 members across Canada. The local chapter organises activities for students and parents to enhance their French, and is involved in improving French Language programs in local schools. We are keen to welcome new members with new ideas. Interested in being involved? Contact us at yukoncpf@gmail.com

Dates to Remember

Tuesday, December 9th

School Council Meeting
6:30 pm Staff Room

Thursday, December 18th

Christmas Crafts and Sing-along
6:30 pm

Friday, December 19th

Last day before Christmas Break
House Colour Day
PJ Day
Pizza Lunch
Assembly 1:00 pm - gym

Monday, January 5th

Welcome back to school

Tuesday, January 13th

School Council Meeting

Friday, January 23d

PD Day
No School

Thursday, January 29th

100th day of school!

Friday, January 30th

School Wide Theme Day -
All About the Brain
House Colour Day
Crazy Hair Day
Pizza Lunch
Assembly 10:50 am - gym

The electronic version of our school calendar at

http://www.yesnet.yk.ca/schools/wes/pdf/calendar_14_15.pdf

School Growth Plan

One of our two school growth plan goals is to explore and better understand self-regulation in the school context. For years, we have had VIE ACTIVE, a twenty minute walk about to music before school started. This year, to better support our students to self-regulate, we have left the first 20 minutes open for the class and their teachers to decide how best to use the time to become prepared for the learning ahead. Some classes do yoga, some play co-operative games, others have class meetings; ask your child's teacher how they use this time.

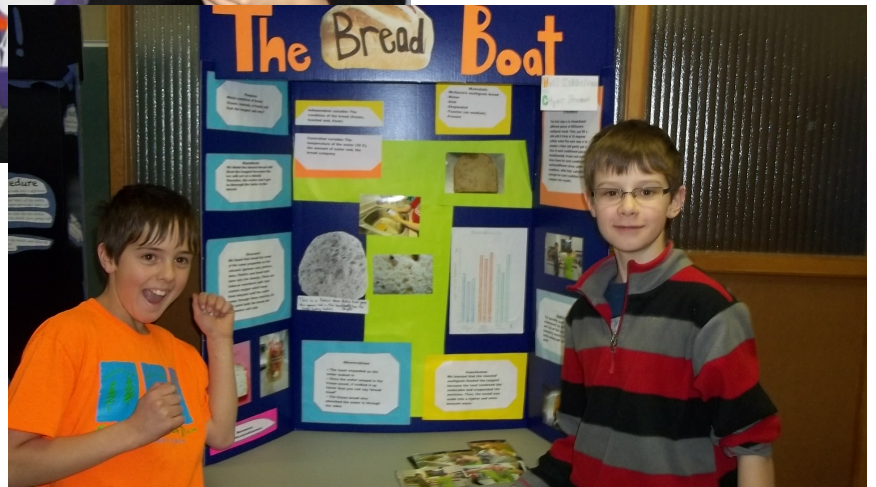
School Life

Dog Musher Normand Casavant visited with one dog from his team.



Mme Sofie's class completes a unit on detectives.

Science Fair Projects - a great success!

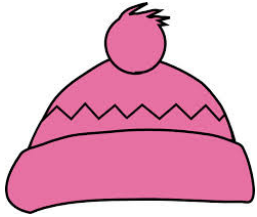


School Council News:

Hillarie Zimmerman, Laura Lang, Victoria Castillo, Christina Pekarik and Rachel Moser. You may reach your council at: EWESschoolcouncil@gmail.com

The next school council meeting will be held on December 9th at 6:30 pm.

You may find the minutes and agendas from the most recent meeting on our school website.



...and about the weather!

We understand it may be difficult, but **please send your child with appropriate clothing** for the elements. We have had fluctuations from -5 to -35 this past couple of weeks and yet, students are still arriving without hats or warm clothes. Thank you for your cooperation.

Important! Please be advised that we cannot permit students to stay inside over the lunch recess. We are getting more requests for children to stay in during recess for all manner of reasons - recovering from an illness, cold, injury, tired and the list goes on. **Please reserve this request for only the most extreme cases.** Mme Jamie, had a dozen students in her office today; this makes it very difficult for her to do her job, treat students who are injured during recess and maintain order. Please bundle your child appropriately for the recess.

Please clearly identify all of your child's clothing. We have many students who all share the same size and brand of clothing, which makes it very difficult to identify if they do not have a name on them.

Bravo to Team ÉWES for all their excellent efforts and sportsmanship at the Arctic Sports Day, Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre.

