



School District No. 83 (North Okanagan-Shuswap)

## May News

### *Principal's Message*

It appears that the warmer weather has finally arrived and students and staff alike are enjoying the sunshine and warm temperatures. With that in mind, please ensure that your child has a water bottle and a little extra lunch to get them through the day as their activity levels are increasing in and out of class.

There is a lot happening here at North Shuswap Elementary in the next month and half, and we'll do our best to keep you informed. Please make sure you check the important dates at the bottom of this Newsletter as well as the June Newsletter which will have specific information about end of the year field trips etc. Also, please look in your child's agenda for more info specific to their classroom.

We were very fortunate to have had two cultural arts performances here at North Shuswap Elementary the past few weeks. The first one was called "Scrap Arts" where students experienced a power percussion performance using thrown away and recycled materials. The most recent performance was called "Candy Bones" where kids learned that it is OK to make a mistake through physical comedy, shadow puppetry, original music and tap dance. It was great to see all the students laughing and enjoying themselves.



### *Interim Reports*

Teachers will be updating parents about student progress this month with Interim reports. Students will be bringing home a checklist/comment style of report with academic and social progress updates. These should be brought home by May 12<sup>th</sup>. As always, if more time or information is desired/needed, please contact your child's teacher directly to set up a meeting.





# **NORTH SHUSWAP ELEMENTARY**



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## ***Athletics***

In Track and Field, North Shuswap's own Carver Spooner participated in the *Battle of the Border* event in Kamloops this past weekend and placed first in the 100m, 200m, and Javelin. Way to go Carver! On May 8<sup>th</sup> we have three grade 8 students going to the Okanagan Zone meeting in Kamloops. Morgan Bischoff will be competing in the Javelin, Long Jump and Shot Put. Audrey Byerley will be participating in the Discuss, Javelin, and Shot Put and Carver Spooner will be participating in the 100M, 200M, and Javelin. Track and Field for our grade 4-7 students will begin on around May 15<sup>th</sup> with students being exposed to the events during PE class and some afternoon competitions (District Track and Field event Date TBD). Thank you Mr. Schmidt, for organizing all these events. We are also excited that Mr. Rizun is taking 25 of our students to the Little Mountain Stomp Cross-Country run in Salmon Arm on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Good luck to all our student athletes!

## ***Kindergarten Orientation***

Do you have a young one starting Kindergarten next year? We are hosting an afternoon orientation for new Kindergarten students on June 14<sup>th</sup>, starting at 12:30pm – 1:30pm. Families meet the principal, our kindergarten teacher, and school resource personnel and participate in a number of play-based learning activities.

## ***Important Dates***

May 8	Okanagan Zone Track and Field Event
May 11	Cross-Country running – Little Mountain Stomp in Salmon arm
May 12	Interim Reports go home – Please check your child's backpack
May 12	10:30 – 11:15 performance from the Sullivan concert band, choir, and jazz band
May 16	Dental Screening for Kindergarten
May 22	Victoria Day – no school
May 25	Grade 6 Immunizations
Jun 14	Kindergarten Orientation 12:30 – 1:30
Jun 29	Last day before summer break (early dismissal)
Jun 30	Non-Instructional Day (Administrative Day)

