

# Happy Valentines Day

For the month of January the \$100.00 School Volunteer Gift Certificates go out to Doris Martin and Candace Daychief. Come and volunteer at the school and get your name entered.

## Sunchild Schools Science Fair Thursday March 8

Sunchild is holding a Science Fair on Thursday, March 8th. It is open to all students Gr 4-12, with K-3's doing class projects. Any interested students should be working on their projects throughout February and Wednesday afternoons from 3:15-4:30 pm the Science Club will be available for students who need extra help from Mrs. Petelo/Miss Cooke. Participant are also asked to see Mrs. Petelo/Mrs Mahoney to register for the event. Community members are encouraged to come out and see the projects on March 8th and to participate in the community bridge building contest that will be given out mid-February.

Encourage you child to participate and contact Mrs. Petelo at the school for any help/questions. Winners from our local Science Fair will be eligible to attend the Regional Science Fair in Red Deer later in March.



### Important Dates For Your Calendar

- Tuesday February 14 Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale for Minor Hockey
- Tuesday February 14 Valentines Day Dress Red or Pink
- Thursday February 16 Junior Boys and Girls Basketball at Alexander
- Friday February 17 Pancake Breakfast
- Monday February 20 Family Day no School for Staff or Students
- Wednesday February 22 Parent Meeting for Headstart K4 and K5 parents EDI
- Friday February 24 Senior high PE Trip to Edmonton Rush Game (Lacrosse)
- Monday February 27 Babysitting Course Grades 7-9
- Tuesday February 28 Junior Boys Basketball Divisional Tournament in Rocky
- March 1 Grade 4-6 Downhill skiing at Canyon Ski Area  
K-3 Winter Carnival
- Friday March 2 School Staff Meeting 11:40 Dismissal
- Monday March 5 No School for Students Professional Development Day
- Tuesday March 6 No School for Students Professional Development Day
- Wednesday March 7 Science Fair Projects Due
- Thursday March 8 Sunchild School Science Fair
- Thursday April 5 Start of Spring Break
- Monday April 16 First Day Back after Spring Break



# Sunchild School and E-learning in the News



## Elementary Student of the Month

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How does Your Child Get an Award Monthly at Sunchild First Nation School?

Sunchild Elearning and Sunchild School is proud to announce that CEO Martin Sacher is the 2011 winner of the prestigious International SITE Outstanding Service in Digital Equity Award. The award will be presented to Mr. Sacher at the 23<sup>rd</sup> International SITE conference in Austin, Texas on March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

The SITE Outstanding Service in Digital Equity Award (OSDE) was established to: (a) recognize and encourage outstanding scholarship and service in the area of digital equity; and (b) increase awareness of the variety and range of successful approaches taken through teacher education for increasing equity over the many digital divides that affect our societies today—economic, cultural, physical and mental.

The SITE Outstanding Service to Digital Equity Award committee awards those chosen individuals who have demonstrated scholarly leadership and service toward increasing digital equity through teacher education, nationally or internationally. Additionally the award recognizes Scholarly leadership and service that includes but is not limited to teaching, research, leadership, performance, publications, and outreach. Winning candidates for this award must show outstanding evidence in the following areas:

- Service to and impact on teacher education
- Service to digital equity, nationally and internationally
- Scholarly leadership
- A Systemic impact on education
- Overall initiative and vision

Work as An Innovation Catalyst

Recent Past award winners:

2010: Dr. Mano Talaiver - Mano has led training for rural school teachers in Ghana and India

2009: Dr. Guo Shaoging - the China Gansu Basic Education Project where Dr Guo Shaoqing has been very active in ICT development for rural areas.

2008: Lawrence Kambiwoa Nunatcho, National Pedagogic Inspector of Informatics, Ministry of Secondary Education, Cameroon.

2007: Ministry of Education, Namibia received by Geoffrey Shakwa. The committee's work has been recognized as a model for African countries.

Student of the month academic is a student who excelled in all subject areas or 1 specific subject area. He or she shows great effort to try one's best in all subjects or a specific subject. He or she participates and pays attention during lessons and discussions.

Student of the Month Citizenship is a student who demonstrates qualities such as helpfulness, kindness, politeness and makes an effort to follow school and classroom rules as well as shows respect towards teachers and peers

Students of the month Most Improved is a student who has shown improvement in any area of academic or citizenship

Perfect Attendance for the Month

Students who have had no absences in the month and less than five lates (5 lates = 1 day absence)

## K4 and K5 Parent Meeting

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On Wednesday February 22nd at 10:00 there is a parent meeting to introduce the First Nation Child Development Project. The focal point of this project is the Early Development Instrument (E.D.I.) The E.D.I is a survey which the Kindergarten and Headstart teachers will complete on your child. Your child will not fill out the E.D.I. The teacher will answer the E.D.I. questions based on what they know about your child's developmental skills. The results of this survey will provide information about the skills and knowledge that kindergarten students bring to school and will help the school and community to work towards ensure that students are prepared for grade one. Lots of Door Prizes!