

# Happy New Year

The staff at Sunchild First Nation School Would Like to Wish Everyone a Very Happy New Year.

## Parent Teacher Interviews and Report Card Pick-up



Thursday February 2nd 11:40 to 5:30 (Early Dismissal)  
K to 6 parents please bring your child so they can share their learning portfolio with you! More info found below.

### Student Led Conferences

Many schools conduct student led conferences. During these sessions, students accept responsibility for reporting their progress at school to their parents. With their teacher nearby to support them and to clarify and answer specific questions and concerns, students lead the interview, presenting a portfolio of their work to their parents. Studies suggest that student led conferences help participants to set goals, promote open communication and encourage the child to take responsibility for his or her own learning.

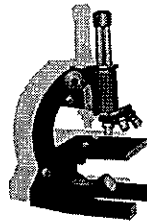
### When you are participating in a Student Led Conference... Parents

- Remember that your child has put a great deal of time and thought into preparing for the interview.
- Realize that this is an opportunity to view learning experiences through the eyes of your child. Listen attentively to your child as he or she presents the portfolio of selected work.
- Question and encourage whenever appropriate.
- Ask specific questions and give positive feedback.
- Focus on what your child can do and has achieved successfully.
- Compliment your child on a job well done.

Last spring we saw 50% of the parents at the Portfolio Parent Teacher Interviews. Lets see if we can see more parents this year.

## School Science Fair

Sunchild School will be running a Science Fair late February early March. Top placing students will move onto a regional Science Fair. This is an exciting opportunity for students at the school as it is the first time that we have run a local science fair.

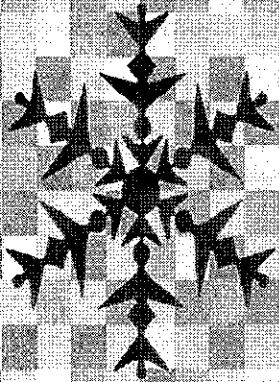


## School Traversing Wall

Have you heard? The school has added a traversing wall to its stage. A traversing wall is a climbing wall which is 8' tall and 44' long. Students traverse along the forty four foot length. All students from K to 12 have had an orientation on this wall and now have access at lunch time to climb on the wall. Classroom teacher can also bring their classes down to the stage to use this new school resource.

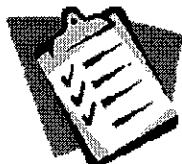
## Important Dates For Your Calendar

- Monday January 30 No School Semester Break
- Wednesday February 1 Sunchild at Pioneer 7/8 Boys Basketball
- Thursday February 2 Parent Teacher Interviews 11:40 to 5:30
- Friday February 3 Monthly Staff Meeting 11:40 Dismissal
- Tuesday February 14 School Valentines Day Wear Red Day
- Monday February 20 Family Day no School for Students



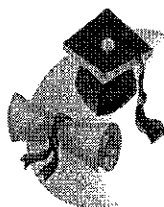
## Student Attendance

School staff have noticed that there are far too many students who are showing up late to school. Students are missing valuable instructional time when they show up late. It is also very disruptive to the class when students are showing up late to class. Parents need to try to ensure that students get to their bus on time in the morning so that they have the greatest potential to be successful in school. Your attention to this is greatly appreciated.



### **K5 Bake Sales will be occurring in the month of January to support their Graduation Celebration**

**A reminder that the K5 Parent Graduation Fees of \$30.00 are due by February 2nd.**



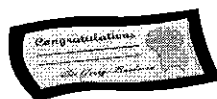
## Parent Involvement

Students who have parents who are involved in their child's education perform better. How are you getting involved with your child's education?

- Ask your child daily what they learned.
- Create discussion and dialoged about learning.
- Sit down with your child and help them with their homework.
- Daily work with your child with their spelling words.
- Visit your child's teacher monthly.
- Come to parent teacher interviews and report card pick-up days.
- Celebrate school success with your child.

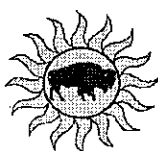
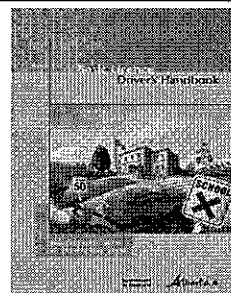
### **Parent Volunteer Incentive**

Please remember that Sunchild School has a Parent Volunteer Incentive Program. Come and volunteer at the school and have a ballot put in for the January volunteer



### **ARE YOU INTERESTED IN GETTING YOUR CLASS 7 LICENSE?**

If so, come and check out Learners training at Sunchild School. Classes take place every Monday at 3:30. The course is free of charge and will be running to February 27th. This class is available for anyone over the age of 13. During classes individuals will prepare to write the Class 7 Learners test in a variety of ways including: studying the 'Basic License Drivers Handbook', complete practice tests, watch videos, and complete hands on learning. When individuals are ready to write their Class 7 Learners Permit the school will be providing transportation to Rocky Mountain House. Cost of the test is \$17.60. If you have any further questions please contact Ms. Goudie at 989-3476.



**Sunchild Community** Phone 989-3962  
**Health Centre News** Fax 989-2251

## Massage Therapist

### **Immunization**

Please ensure your young babies and preschool children are up-to-date with vaccinations. Daycare requires that all children are vaccinated to date in order to enroll in daycare. Babies are eligible at ages 2,4,6,12 and 18 months. Preschool children need up dates at age 4-6 years. By grade one they should be up-to-date. The grade five and grade nine students receive needles at school. Hep B and HPV require a series of three. We are catching up on #2 needle and the third will be given after the first of March.

### **Shigallosis**

The Shigallosis outbreak is still a concern. If you or anyone is sick with vomiting or diarrhea they must report to the Health Centre. Please stay home and avoid contact with other for at least 48 hours after symptoms have stopped. We want to thank those of you who have worked with us over the past month to help eradicate this very contagious illness from the community. Your cooperation has been tremendous!

The Health Center will be having a Massage therapist come to the community two days per month until March. She will treat pain, stress and offer various teachings on self care. On January 10 she will be at the health center for introductions and to present her services. On January 31 she will focus on chronic pain management. The hours she is available is from 10-2pm. Additional dates are Tuesdays February 14 & 28, and March 14 & 28. Please phone to book an appointment.

### **Heath Centre Staffing**

Sharon will be gone for one year maternity leave as of Jan 13. Elsie Winchell will be back part time. We regret to announce that we no longer have Shannon Brown - the nurse practitioner coming to the community every second and fourth Tuesday. She is no longer with the PCN. We are waiting to hear about what will happen with that roll.

