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Happy hat makers from Class 3

Upcoming Events

Thursday February 4

3:45 - 4:45 pm
Boys Basketball vs. Cowichan
At the Quamichan Campus

Friday February 5

3:35 - 4:45 pm
Girls Basketball vs. Cowichan
At the Quamichan Campus

Monday February 8

News Items

Class 5 Hikes Mt. Tzuhalem



Last week, Class 5 hiked up Mt. Tzuhalem. They were all so proud of their accomplishment in making it all the way up to the cross.

[Click here](#) to view some great

photos of their day.

School Closed - Family Day
Lunar (Chinese) New Year

Tuesday February 9

8:45 am - 3:30 pm
Grade 7 & 8 Field Trip

Wednesday February 10

Girls Basketball Year End Tournament
Location and times TBA

7:30 - 9:00 pm
Class 7 Parent Evening

Thursday February 11

Class 5 Field Trip

Friday February 12

Boys Basketball Year End
Tournament
12:45 pm and 2:00 pm
At the Island Savings Centre

End of Term
Conference week February 15-19

Saturday February 13

10:00 - 11:30 am
ECE Open House - RSVP to:
admissions@sunrisewaldorfschool.org

[View Calendar](#)

No Classes and Early Dismissal Days

Feb 8	School Closed
Feb 15-19	No Classes
Mar 18	No Classes
Mar 21-Apr 1	No Classes

From the Office

Late Pick Up Policy and Fee:

Celebrating the Lunar (Chinese) New Year



The grades teachers will be welcoming the Lunar/Chinese New Year next week as we introduce and celebrate the Year of the Monkey! Students will hear a story

at assembly on Tuesday, and we hope to fill the school with blossom branches and lanterns. On Friday the children may like to wear RED as a sign of happiness and good cheer. If there are any parents willing and interested in making some Chinese goodies for the students to sample on Friday, please contact Ms. Hitch (Class 6) or Ms. Markovich (Class 2). We look forward to honouring this special New Year!

Social Health Committee: Who Can I Talk To?



Who can I talk to when I, (a parent at SWS) have a misunderstanding with a teacher, or when communication breaks down between myself and another parent? How can I be

supported when there is a misunderstanding or breakdown in communication between myself, (a teacher at SWS) and a colleague? The Social Health Committee members are here to help. We work with processes that are warm, healing, and offer support in working through difficult and emotional situations. You can speak with any of us in person or by leaving a written message in the Social Health Committee cubby. Our members are:

Rachel Cameron (CL. 7 teacher)
Ruth Ker (SSK teacher)
Janet Jewell (CL. 3 teacher)
Kevin McDuff (Head of School)
Chantey Dayal (Director of Admissions)
Christina Hamill (CL. 5 parent)
Alison Bowden (CL. 2,4 parent)
Janelle Hardy (CL. 7 parent)
Chris LeBlanc (CL. 3,7 parent).

Parent Education Opportunities

Please be reminded that parents and caregivers must phone the office, and notify us if your child will not be picked up at dismissal time. A \$10.00 "Late Pick Up Fee" is charged to your account if your child has not been picked up 30 minutes after dismissal and we have not heard from you.

Fundraiser for SWS



The Old Farm Market has included SWS in their list of community agencies they support. They will provide us with 7% of the purchases we make at the Old Farm Market.

Here is how it works:

"Purchase Cards" are bought in advance and used like cash. Come to the office at any time to purchase gift cards in increments of \$25. **We have cards ready for purchase in the office now.**

Child Care Income Tax Deductions for 2015

If you qualify for the Child Care Income Tax deduction, please fill out [this form](#) and return it to the office by February 28, 2016. Tax receipts will only be issued upon request.

Cougar Sightings

Please be aware that there have been several cougar

Parent Education is one of the most important ways that we can stay committed to Waldorf Education. By understanding more about the Waldorf pedagogy, and the philosophy behind our schools, we can better support our teachers and students. Please see the online opportunity for learning below:

We invite you to join the Association of Waldorf Schools of North America on Wednesday, February 17, for a co-hosted webinar with the Anthroposophical Society.

Soul Journey

How the Waldorf Curriculum Unfolds Healthy Child Development

*Early Childhood through the Middle Years,
- with Elizabeth Roosevelt*

Wednesday, February 17, 2016, 8:00 PM ET

[Click here](#) to register

Inform: The AWSNA Newsletter



Highlighted in this issue:

- Webinar series lineup for February
- Merger of Seattle Waldorf School and Three Cedars Waldorf School
- AWSNA Summer Conference 2016

[Click here](#) for the direct link to the Inform Newsletter

The Island Oak High School Newsletter



[Read here](#) to stay informed about all of the wonderful things that our

Waldorf High School students are up to. This is a lovely little school that offers a high school education

sightings in the area of The HUB lately, including a cub! [Click here](#) to read what has been posted on the BC Environment Safety Guide to Cougars.

which "Enlightens, Enlivens and Evolves".

The next Parent Education Seminar being offered at Island Oak is on February 14 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. The topic will be When Things Are Dark: The Shadow of Adolescence. All parents are welcome.

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