



# The Lakers Loop

## Pinantan Lake Elementary's School Newsletter

February 2020

### Parent Advisory Council (PAC) News

Greetings from the PAC!

With the long month of January finally behind us, we are getting closer to spring. Spring can't come soon enough this year as we eagerly await our new playground!! While we patiently wait, what is the PAC up to in February? Our monthly hot lunch is scheduled for the last Friday of the month, February 28th. The restaurant is still to be determined, but watch for hot lunch forms coming home the week of the 10th. Hot lunch day is always well enjoyed by everyone who orders, and it's an awesome day we all look forward to! If you haven't had a chance to order a hot lunch yet for your kids, please do! They will thank you 😊

Basketball season is now in full swing and our Lakers are doing really well! Have you been to a game yet? What a great feeling it is to see everyone working together and trying their best! They really are giving it their all this season, and the games have been enjoyable to watch.

Would you like to be more involved with the PAC and lend a hand? We always appreciate more volunteers and fresh fundraising ideas! Many hands make light work, and we look forward to your ideas 😊

Sincerely,

Nikki Williams

Pinantan Elementary PAC Chairperson

### Bell Schedule

- 8:20 Doors open for students
- 8:30 Classes begin
- 10:20 Recess (please note change of time)
- 10:35 Classes resume
- 12:00 Lunch time activities begin
- 12:35 Eating time
- 1:00 Classes resume
- 2:30 Dismissal

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2020-21**

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 73 (Kamloops-Thompson)

**FEB 10-14**  
Neighbourhood Schools Kindergarten Registration

FEB 10-14, 2020

**9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**  
**1:00 PM to 3:00 PM**

Parents are strongly encouraged to register children for kindergarten on these dates.

To be eligible for attendance in kindergarten in September 2020, a student must be five years of age by December 31, 2020. Please bring your child's original birth certificate, BC Services Card and proof of address with you when registering as well as any legal documentation concerning custody (if applicable).

LEARN MORE AT **SD73.CA**

SCAN FOR MORE INFO

## Parent-Child Mother Goose Program

Our Mother Goose sessions continue to be a great source of learning for our community children and parents. It is so much fun watching the little ones, their parents and instructor Allison engage with one another while singing, reading stories, playing and generally having fun with learning.

## Sports/Athletics

### Basketball

The Lakers have now played two games of their five game schedule, having played OLPH and Kamloops Christian School, coming away with a one and one record. Everyone is playing well and continues to improve everyday. Practice is paying off as we now realize that in order to get better we have to practice the fundamentals and continue to practice what we are not so good at YET in order to improve as individuals and as a team.

Over the next few weeks we will take on Dallas Elem., Raleigh Elem. and finally Summit Elem.

If you have the opportunity, come out and cheer on our Pinantan Lakers. It is well worth the price of admission.

LAKERS on Three: 1-2-3 LAKERS!

We will be having a season ending basketball game between the Lakers and their parents on February 26 at 3:00 PM followed by a little celebration with pizza and a drink. Parents of players, if you are able to join us please respond to Mr. Wood/Mrs. Matthews, asap. It should be a blast. We certainly had a great time last year.

## Ski and Tubing Day at Harper Mountain

This year we are trying something a little different. The Kindergarten/Gr. 1 students are going sliding while the Gr 2- Gr. 7 classes will go skiing and snowboarding. Our first day will be on January 24 with a second day pending.

As with other years we are always in need of parent supervisors who can come and help us out.

## Skating

Wednesday, February 5 from 9:30-10:30 the entire school will be heading to Memorial Arena for some skating fun. We will be leaving the school, by bus at 8:45 sharp and returning at approximately 11:30. If your child does not have skates, please let us know right away. We have skates here at the school that may fit them. Each child will also be required to wear a helmet as well so please send them with a helmet as well. And finally, we always need volunteers to help tie skates and help supervise on the ice. So bring some muscle, skates and a helmet and you can join us on the ice.

## Blazers Hockey Game Tickets Available

We have some tickets available for the March 6th game vs. Lethbridge Hurricanes. Please call the office for some free tickets. Tickets are handed out on a first come, first serve basis.

## Westsyde Secondary Counsellors Visit

It is hard to believe that we are even thinking about this already but counsellors from Westsyde Secondary will be here on the afternoon of Wednesday, February 26 to talk to our grade 7 students about course selection for the 2020-2021 school year. Grade 7s will be bringing home packages that you (parents) will need to spend some time talking to your child about as they prepare for moving on to high school.

## Safe Arrival



**SAFE ARRIVAL**  
Student Absence Reporting

tel	1-844-350-2647
web	go.schoolmessenger.ca
app	SchoolMessenger

To report your child's absence please use the SchoolMessenger App, phone the toll free number or visit the website before 8:30am.

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If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the school's office. Let's keep our children safe and accounted for, together.

## How to Prevent Head Lice

Check your child's head every week for head lice and teach your child not to share hats, hair accessories, scarves, helmets, combs/brushes, etc. If you would like more information on head lice and treatment, please go to [www.interiorhealth.ca](http://www.interiorhealth.ca)

## February 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4 -Lakers Basketball Practice @ 12:00	5 -Skating at Memorial Arena @ 9:30 -Lakers Basketball at Dallas Elem. @ 3:00	6	7 Non-Instructional Day (no school)
10 -Kindergarten Registration -PAC meeting at 4:45	11 -Kindergarten Registration Lakers Basketball Practice @ 12:00	12 -K Registration -Mother Goose @ 9:30 -Lakers Basketball at Raleigh Elem @ 3:00	13 -Kindergarten Registration	14 -Valentines Day -Kindergarten Registration -Basketball Practice @ 12:00
17 -BC Family Day (no school)	18	19 -Bookmobile here -Mother Goose @ 9:30 -Lakers Basketball at Summit Elem.	20	21
24	25	26 -Mother Goose @ 9:30 -Westsyde Sec. Counsellors to talk to Gr. 7 students re: course selection	27	28

## March 2020

Other important dates to keep in mind:

- March 4: Mother Goose
- March 8: Daylight Savings Time (clocks move ahead)
- March 11: Mother Goose
- March 12: Report Cards go home
- March 16-20: Spring Break
- March 18: Bookmobile here
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day
- April 7: Day of Secwewtec
- April 10 Good Friday (No School)
- April 13 Easter Monday (No School)
- April 27 non-Instructional Day (No School)
- May 15 non-Instructional Day (No School)
- May 18 Victoria Day (No School)
- June 25 Last Day for students; Assembly at 10:45 AM; Report Cards go home