



Neill Middle School

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January 2010 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

January 27, 2010 -	Ski/Snow Boarding Trip
January 28, 2010 -	Staff vs Student Basketball game at lunch
February 1, 2010 -	PAC Meeting 7:00pm in the library
Feb. 8-12, 2010 -	Valentine activities throughout the week
Feb. 12, 2010 -	Valentines Day Sock Hop at lunch
Feb. 17, 2010 -	Div 6.1 Bake Sale for Goat Project (recess & lunch)
February 26, 2010 -	No Classes – Professional Day



SAFE ARRIVAL NUMBER

If your child will be absent from school, please phone: **250-723-6080** and leave a message on the Safe Arrival answering machine.

TERM 1 ACHIEVEMENT ROLLS - DECEMBER 2009

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The following students achieved straight A's (5.0 g.p.a.) on their term 1 report card:

Grade 7:

Chelsea Bingham, Chelsey Charlesworth

Grade 8:

Eric Newton, Taylor Paquette, Sheena Sneddon, Blair Sutton, Neil Thurley, Shannon White



HONOUR ROLL

The following students achieved a B average (g.p.a. between 4.0 – 4.99) on their term 1 report card:

Grade 6:

Jennifer Banfield, Sarah Bingham, Kayla Caddy, April Davidson, Maigan Devries, Dara Dirocco, Jake Dods, Nicholas Donahue, Brock Elder, Marlene Francoeur, Sara Fudge, Brooke Garcia, Emily Hodi, Samantha Jeffery, Abigail Kamma, Gregory Kennedy, Freya Knapp, Ashleigh Lepine, Mary McAllister, Emma McFaul, Thandi Nell, Regan Pley, Mckayla Ramsey, Allison Scheffer, Carmen Steinbach, Nicholas Sutton, Brianna Thompson, Jamie Vissia, Brett Watts, Kelly White, Genevieve Whitson

Grade 7:

Jaime Berry, Mike Charlesworth, Tema Connaghan, Moriah Cootes, Natalie Cumming, Cody Deadder, Jessica Devito, Sarah Emmonds, Joanna Gaiga-Grier, Cameron Geddes, Jessie Geddes, Cole Haider, Tianna Haider, Makenna Harding, Josh Harvey, Sara Hearn, Logan Henson, Cassia Johnson, Leah Kumagai, Ryan Love, Collin MacLeod, Kirstyn MacLeod, Marlee McIntosh, Bryan Michel, Janna Miller, Sam Moncur, Allison Paquette, Gary Richards, Matthew Schmidt, Megan Skjoldal, Nigal Smith, Shellsea Steed, Evelyn Thomas, Sarah Tunistra, Parker Van Dyk, Aden Weber, Dana Williscroft, Nickolas Young

Grade 8:

Vanessa Beckett, Rebecca Beyer, Brayden Caddy, Marley Clason, Andrew Ernst, Ryan Ernst, Krista Grant, Sarah Gray, Karmen Hagen, Julia Hudson, Ryley Jamieson-Mills, Tristan Jeffery, Rhyllie Lee, Logan MacDonald, Aaran MacLeod, Angus Messer, Shane Meyer, Ayla Moore, Samantha Oldale, Brody Paquette, Lucas Patterson, Brandi Receveur, Brooke Roberts, Janelle Ryles, Daniel Sim, Christopher, Ursic, Connor Van Vliet, Rachele Van Zoeren, Jenika Veito, Jesse Wagner, Jordan Wagner, Kaitlyn Ward, David Wilson

GOOD EFFORT ROLL

The following students achieved all 'E' or 'G' Work Habits with no more than one 'S' and no 'NI's.

Grade 6:

Jennifer Banfield, Sarah Bingham, Ashton Bowater, Becca Busby, Kayla Caddy, April Davidson, Maigan Devries, Dara Dirocco, Jake Dods, Nicholas Donahue, Brock Elder, Marlene Francoeur, Sara Fudge, Brooke Garcia, Samantha Jeffery, Abigail Kamma, Gregory Kennedy, Freya Knapp, Tia Knoll, Ashleigh Lepine, Julia Manhas, Mary McAllister, Dylana McAnulty, Emma McFaul, Thandi Nell, Summer Pater, Regan Pley, Braydon Ploss, Ryan Rae-Arthur, Mckayla Ramsey, Nick Ross, Nicholas Sutton, Brianna Thompson, Jamie Vissia, Mattaya Warm, Bret Watts, Kelly White, Genevieve Whitson

Grade 7:

Alyssa Anderson, Chase Anderson, Chelsea Bingham, Danielle Boire, Chelsey Charlesworth, Mike Charlesworth, Tema Connaghan, Moriah Cootes, Meghan Crema, Natalie Cumming, Cody Deadder, Chelsea Devito, Jessica Devito, Sarah Emmonds, Joanna Gaiga-Grier, Cameron Geddes, Jessie Geddes, Aleck Girard, Cole Haider, Tianna Haider, Makenna Harding, Josh Harvey, Sara Hearn, Logan Henson, Elisabeth Hill, Cassia Johnson, Sheila Lacombe, Collin MacLeod, Kirstyn MacLeod, Austin Matthews, Emma McGowan, Marlee McIntosh, Shelby Mellaart, Bryan Michel, Janna Miller, Sam Moncur, Chelsea Norfolk, Allison Paquette, Brysa Parsons, Brittany Reynolds, Gary Richards, Matthew Schmidt, Megan Skjoldal, Nigal Smith, Shellsea Steed, Evelyn Thomas, Sarah Tuinstra, Parker Van Dyk, Aden Weber, Dana Willisroft, Nickolas Young

Grade 8:

Xanthe Barber, Vanessa Beckett, Rebecca Beyer, Taylor Blais, Brayden Caddy, Chelsey Cayer, Marley Clason, Heidi Durkop, Ryan Ernst, Krista Grant, Sarah Gray, Karmen Hagen, Megan Horvath, Julia Hudson, Ryley Jamieson-Mills, Tristan Jeffery, Heather Kennedy, Desiree Knighton, Kiana Kobus, Rhyllie Lee, Logan MacDonald, Aaran MacLeod, Amber McLachlan, Angus Messer, Shane Meyer, Ayla Moore, Paige Murphy, Eric Newton, Samantha Oldale, Brody Paquette, Taylor Paquette, Brandi Receveur, Breanne Roberts, Brooke Roberts, Janelle Ryles, Kane Schlichting, Daniel Sim, Sheena Sneddon, Blair Sutton, Neil Thurley, Connor Van Vliet, Rachele Van Zoeren, Jenika Veito, Jesse Wagner, Jordan Wagner, Shannon White, David Wilson, Nolan Woodfin

NEILL GIRLS PLACE SECOND IN TOURNEY

The Neill grade 7/8 girls' basketball team travelled to Mark Isfeld Secondary in Courtenay to compete in an eight-team tournament, and came home with the second place trophy! The other teams participating were Springwood, Isfeld, Phoenix, Oceanside, Highland, Wellington and Monterey. In the first game, Neill played Springwood, and the final score was 24-16. The top scorers were Dana Willisroft with 10 points and Julia Hudson with 8 points. The second game was against the host team, Mark Isfeld, against whom the girls had a record of 1-1. The final score was 39-21 in Neill's favor. The top scorer was Taylor Paquette with 7 points. Three players scored 6 points each: Dana Willisroft, Chelsea Charlesworth and Julia Hudson. In the final, the Neill girls met Victoria's championship team, and probably one of the strongest teams in the province: Monterey Middle. The girls managed to score 23 points, but this was a far stretch from their 78 points! Our top scorer was Chelsea Charlesworth with 14 points.

Last weekend at a tournament at Monterey in Victoria the girls finished the weekend with a 2-1 record, losing to Monterey Middle from Victoria and Eagles from Burnaby. They beat John Oliver from Vancouver in the third game. The following players were recognized at the tournament: Julia Hudson, Shellsea Steed and Francine Charleson for players of the game, Dana Willisroft for the Most Inspirational Player, and Julia Hudson for MVP. Congratulations to all of the players for their superb effort and their great representation of Neill Middle School.



The Neill girls will continue their travel over the next few weeks, heading to Wellington in Nanaimo on February 5/6, and finally back to Mark Isfeld for the Zone championships on February 12/13.

The team would like to thank Mr. Bingham for the fundraising that he is doing for our team, and the PAC for their donation to the team's travels. We would also like to thank all of the parent drivers who transport the seventeen of us to our tournaments! And a big huge thank you to our coach, Laurie Hudson, and our assistant coach Tannis Robertson for volunteering their time and doing a fantastic job.

Congratulations and good luck to our Neill Talons: #1 Makenna Harding, #2 Chelsea Bingham, #4 Jessica Hamilton, #5 Julia Hudson, #6 Shellsea Steed, #7 Francine Charleson, #8 Dana Williscroft, #9 Taylor Paquette, #10 Chelsea Charlesworth, #11 Cheyenne David, #12 Dezerae Seitcher, #13 Alison Paquette, #14 Tianna Haider, #15 Elisabeth Hill, #16 Eva Barney, #17 Heather Kennedy, #19 Evelyn Thomas, Coach Laurie Hudson

TROUBLE PARENTING YOUR TEEN?

Are you having trouble parenting your teen? Come and share your knowledge and parenting skills with others as well as pick up a few pointers for yourself. We meet weekly.

There will be 6 meetings taking place on the following Thursdays: Jan. 14, 21, 28 & Feb. 4, 11, 18.

To register contact the Port Alberni Family Guidance Office, 3039 4th Avenue, Port Alberni, (250-724-0125).

LOST AND FOUND

"The Lost and Found" box is located just outside the gym. Please have your son/daughter check the box for any items they may have lost.

PAC MEETING

Our next PAC meeting will be on Monday, February 1st at 7:00 pm in the Library at Neill Middle School.. All parents are encouraged to attend.

FIRST NATION'S AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

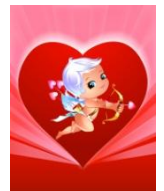
First Nation's students are offered after school tutorials and activities each Thursday after school. Sessions run to 4:00 pm. This is an opportunity to receive help with homework, get a start on projects, get caught up on outstanding work and participate in fun activities. Students require their own ride home. For more information please contact Erin Anker or Sherri Cook at the school 250-723-8151.

WRESTLING NEWS

The Wrestling season is in full swing here at Neill. Athletes have been travelling to Victoria, Kamloops and Campbell River. Our next action is Jan 30th in Campbell River; followed very closely by our annual Alberni invitational. The Alberni Invitational will be happening Feb 5 and 6th at the Alberni Valley Multiplex. Weigh in for Neill Wrestlers will be Thursday night at 6:30 pm in Glenwood Centre. Wrestlers from all over BC will be attending. This year we are also proud to host a contingent of Wrestlers from Saskatchewan. It is our opportunity to cheer on some of our outstanding athletes.

VALENTINES DAY ACTIVITIES

Valentine's is coming! Share your 'heart' with activities throughout the week of Feb. 8-12th. On Friday, Feb. 12th during lunch, there will be a sock-hop, so get yourself ready to rock!



HELP FOR HAITI

Thanks to all of the students and staff at Neill school for their efforts in supporting Haiti, who as we all know are suffering greatly at this time. All slushee, popcorn and pizza sales profits from last week will be donated to the Haiti relief efforts, as well as over \$450 raised through a bake sale organized by Mrs. Murray's class. Grade sixes also have contributed by collecting recyclables in the school and will also donate this money. We managed to raise over \$1000.00. If you would still like to donate money, please bring it by the office.