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Newsletter

April 2018

May 3<sup>rd</sup> - Pacific Way Intermediate Track and Field Meet @ Hillside Stadium  
May 7<sup>th</sup> - Zone 1 - 1000/1200 M Track Meet  
May 9<sup>th</sup> - Zone 1 Track Meet  
May 10<sup>th</sup> - Spring Carnival (5:30-7:30)  
May 11<sup>th</sup> - Young People's Concert  
May 16<sup>th</sup> - District 1000/1200 M Track Meet  
May 17<sup>th</sup> - District Track & Field Meet  
May 18<sup>th</sup> - Non Instructional Day - No School  
May 21<sup>st</sup> - Victoria Day - No School  
May 24<sup>th</sup> - Class Photos  
May 25<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten Orientation

**Spring** is finally upon us! A big thank you to all our noon-hour supervisors for all their hard work with our children.

It's been a very eventful month, with many dynamic learning events and initiatives taking place at our school. A special thank you to Mr. Sandhu's class for initiating a bake sale which raised \$904.20 to support the community of Humboldt in the wake of the recent tragedy. Thanks as well to the students in Ms. Wiwchar's and Mrs. Morrow's classes for their recent live museum tour through ancient Rome, which took place in our gym last week. Truly inspiring!

Our current virtue focus is cooperation. This virtue plays a pivotal role in learning, both in social responsibility and in collaborating with peers in the learning that takes place in the classroom. It's all about putting the collective needs of others (including self in that) above one's own needs. That can be quite a challenge for children, who often instinctively want to put themselves first. Learning patience, compromise, and respectful ways to handle conflict are all an important part of building one's ability to be truly cooperative. Please join us in supporting this virtue by celebrating the growth you see in your own

child(ren). Signs of success? - working well with others - freely offering your help an ideas - following the rules - doing your part to keep a safe, happy environment - learning that when you disagree, you can do it peacefully and respectfully - asking for help if you need it. Helen Keller once said, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much!" There is a ton of great collective energy here at Pacific Way. The more we can harness it to grow in cooperation, the stronger our community will become!

**Welcome Sign** - "Wey'tp" is the Secwepmc word for hello. "Le7-esktskits'kp" is Secwepmc for welcome. A big thank you (Kukwstsetsemcl!) to Mr. Michel and the intermediate students who helped to create this sign, which now graces the entrance to our school, just adjacent to the office.

**Student Dress Guidelines** - Students and their parents are expected to support a learning environment where attire is appropriate and not distracting or offensive to others. Articles of clothing that promote alcohol, drugs, inappropriate languages or images, or discrimination of any form, are unacceptable. Clothing that is too revealing is also unacceptable. For example undergarments should not be visible, and shirts should touch pants/shorts/skirts so that the stomach is not visible. Please remember students are dressing for their "work" day not the beach. Students who wear clothing that is deemed inappropriate will be asked to change. Please ensure your child is dressed for school appropriately.

**Wood ticks** - It's that time of year and we ask that parents check their children for ticks. Make daily examinations for ticks, paying particular attention to the base of the skull, and the scalp. Clothes should be closely examined for ticks, and especially near the collar.

**Safe Arrival** - Pacific Way Elementary has a safe arrival program in place to ensure the safety and well being of our students. In the event that your child is going to be late or absent, please call the Student Absence Reporting Line at 1-844-350-2647 or visit [ktsd.schoolconnects.com](https://ktsd.schoolconnects.com) before 8:30 a.m to report your child's absence otherwise you will receive an automated phone call. For your convenience, you can also download the Safe Arrival App onto your phone. Also, to ensure your child's safety, please make sure to sign the In/Out binder located at the office window when your child is arriving late or leaving early. Thank you.

**Dogs** - Please remember not to bring your dog onto school property. This is for the protection of others who are either afraid of or allergic to dogs. A lot of dog poop has been found on our fields lately as well. There is a sign by the road that does remind folks to keep dogs off the property (which actually applies to all school district grounds). Thank you for your consideration!

**Library** - Congratulations to our three Battle of the Books teams, who did very well at the Zone competition. The grade 3/4 team placed 3rd, the grade 5 team placed 4th, and our grade 6/7 team tied for 1st place. At the District competition, the grade 6/7 team tied for 4th place out of 8 teams. Congratulations to all of you!!

**Gr. 3/4 Team**

Sophia Egdell	Laila Robinson
Kensie Larsen	Claire Humphrey

**Gr. 5 Team**

Cooper Hatch	Younna Tawhid
Ashlyn Smith	

**Gr. 6/7 Team**

Taya Ratzlaff	Danica Renwick
Ava Casorso	Andrew Humphrey

There will be a Scholastic Book Fair in the library from May 22<sup>nd</sup> to May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Flag Football**-Thank you to Mr. Sandhu who is coaching our flag football team this season. The first game for the team will be next week and our athletes are anticipating playing an exciting brand of football. Stay tuned!

**Spring Carnival** - The annual Spring Carnival is scheduled for: Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wrist band and dinner packages are on sale at <https://pacificway.hotlunches.net> Please remember to send your class basket raffle item as soon as possible. Lots of volunteer slots are available. Please sign up for your individual classroom games with your teacher.



**Gym Renovation Complete**-You may have seen the photos on our school facebook page of the work that was recently completed in our gym. The gym curtain was a joint project with SD73, our PAC, and the city of Kamloops. The curtain enables us to provide students with more gym time, which is a big deal. Thanks to everyone for your

participation in this project, a major investment into health and well-being, and physical fitness!

Part Two of this project is also now complete, with the installation of an electronic pulley system and stage lights that allows us to provide a greatly enhanced experience for future concerts and presentations. This project was funded by our school PAC. A huge thank you!!!

**Relay Fest - Hillside Parloff** - Our track and field season has started with a bang, with Pacific Way athletes already having competed at the indoor relay fest at TCC and the Hillside Parloff yesterday. Congratulations in particular to our Grade Five girls team, who set a new meet record in their heat and earned a bronze medal in the final, as well the Grade Six boys team, who won gold! Our Grade Seven boys team won the silver medal, Grade Seven girls took bronze, and our Grade Five boys team won silver. All of our teams distinguished themselves by their tremendous sportsmanship and teamwork. Well done, Coyotes!

**Pac Corner** - The next PAC Meeting will be on April 25<sup>th</sup> 1:10 p.m. in the staffroom. Thank you to our PAC and all of you who contributed your time and efforts in all of our fundraising events this year. Draw date for our Grand Raffle is May 10<sup>th</sup>. Please return all ticket booklets by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Planning for September** - As we plan for the upcoming year, it is important that we know, as best we can, which students will be joining us in September, and who will be leaving us. Please inform your child's teacher and the office if you have plans to move. If there is any information you have that might help us in determining your child's placement in September, I would encourage you to put it in writing in a letter to me and leave at the office. I cannot guarantee requests will be honoured, but they will be given consideration as we look at the learning needs in each classroom.

**Grade 7 Year-end Celebration** - A letter went home with Grade 7 students last week regarding the grade 7 farewell dinner and dance taking place at the Coast Hotel on the evening of June 21<sup>st</sup>. Just a friendly reminder to send the \$40.00 fee for the celebration to the office as soon as possible.

**Boogie the Bridge**- This year Pacific Way Elementary school is participating in Boogie the Bridge on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at Riverside park 8:30am. For more information on each of the 1km, 5km, and 10km races please see the attached document. It's a great family event, so I encourage you all to get out there and "boogie" with your family

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Q2hwhe3MWch2LiZAv6XtWaqWYCQ7AbgZWaOMwfRpih4/edit?usp=sharing>



## SAVE THE DATE

**When:** Friday June 1st, 2018 from 9:00am - 2pm

**Where:** Pacific Way Elementary Gymnasium

**What:** Young Entrepreneur Show - Power Play sponsored by Credit Union

**Why:** To support students who've been working for the last 2 months on a business plan and have manufacturing a product for the public.

**Who:** Mrs. Alm's and Mrs. Salle's Classes

51 Grade 4 and 5 students have explored the necessary steps needed to create a business. They have learned to survey the public, how to price point their product, and create a formal business plan. Please come out and support them on June 1st, where you will be able to purchase various products from notebooks, slime, bath bombs, plants and bouncy balls etc. All products range from \$1.00 - \$8.00

### Community News

A red and black advertisement with a wood-grain background. The text "BECOME A" is in large white serif font at the top left. Below it, "THIS WEEK" is written in a smaller white font with a dot on either side. The word "Carrier" is in a very large white serif font. To the right of "Carrier", the words "Earn Extra Cash" are written in a white cursive font. At the bottom, "ONLY 2 DAYS A WEEK" is written in a white serif font. A red banner at the very bottom contains the text "For more information call our circulation department 250-374-0462" in white.



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**April 28, 2018**

10 am - 4 pm

free admission  
exhibits  
activities  
speaker series  
Zumba  
kid zone  
food trucks

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### Feature Events

12:00 pm Second Hand Glam Fashion Show  
TRU Fashion Club and Value Village

1:00 pm Iron Chef: Green Edition  
HealthFare vs Terra Restaurant



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