

### Parent Advisory Council Principal's Report

March 11, 2024

Acknowledgement of Aboriginal Territory - We acknowledge, respect, and honor the First Nations in whose traditional territories the Kootenay Lake School District operates and all Aboriginal people residing within the boundaries of School District No. 8.

- 1. 2024-25 School Fees Review
  - Review activity costs
  - Confidential process is in place to address financial hardship
    - i. POLICY 430: Fees, Deposits and Financial Hardship
    - ii. AP 5060: Fees, Deposits and Financial Hardship

#### **District**

- 2. Superintendent's Report March 2024
- 3. Next Online Parent Engagement Sessions:
  - Scholarship Information Night April 4<sup>th</sup> 6pm (<u>link</u>)
  - Mental Health Resources for Students and Parents April 11<sup>th</sup> 6pm (<u>link</u>)
- 4. Next Board Meeting: March 12th 5pm MST (link)
- 5. Next DPAC Meeting: March 14th 6pm MST (link)
- 6. Public Engagement <u>Sustainability Survey</u>: The Board of Education is seeking to develop a Sustainability Policy and is looking for feedback from students, staff, and parents on what to consider in this work.
- 7. International Program Host Families Needed: Kootenay Lake's international program urgently needs your help. The program is looking for families to host international students. If you're interested in making a difference and want to know more, please visit our website. The website provides information on how to get started as a homestay family. Plus, the program is pleased to announce the stipend has been increased to \$1000 per month, to help offset higher living costs.

# **Engagement**

8. Pink Shirt Day - February Assembly led by Ms. Feltham's class.

## Learning

- 9. Students explored artifacts sent from Canadian Museum of History: This week CLES students explored a variety of artifacts lent to us from the Canadian Museum of History. Students were able to touch and try on a variety of artifacts such as: a pair of Inuit Snow Goggles, a Beaver Felt Hat, a Ceinture Flechée (Métis Sash), a Treaty Metal, a Châtelaine Chain and Chinese Immigration Act Certificates.
- 10. Students learned about fire safety from members of the Creston Fire and Rescue.
- 11. CLES's Got More Talent! CLES intermediate students showcased their talents on Friday March 8<sup>th</sup>. Talents included (singing, juggling, yo-yoing, violin
- 12. CLES students welcome ArtStarts sponsored performance by <u>Shayna Jones</u>. Shayna is a folklorist and performance storyteller of African and African diasporic folklore, folk wisdom and folk ways.
- 13. CLES students learned about Indigenous Traditional Field Games and Sports.

### **CLES Calendar**

- 14. Mar 12<sup>th</sup> Talent Show Too led by Ms. Jillian
- 15. Mar 16th to Apr 1st Spring Break. Classes resume on Tuesday April 2nd.
- 16. May 13th at 1pm ArtStarts Ache Brasil
- 17. May 17th Powwow