

Nakusp Secondary School Newsletter

September 17, 2009

“Prove it Possible”

Principal's Message

What a whirlwind first two weeks!! Our school population is at 216, down from last year. With the cut of 7 teaching block, this has meant larger class sizes overall. Our Learning Centre is bursting at the seams as we try to accommodate student needs and desires. I am amazed at the level of patience and cooperation in accommodating this difference.

A reminder to the Grade 8 students and their parents... It's Pancake Breakfast time, starting at 8:00 am Thursday morning next week! Also, Grade 8 parents are encouraged to come to the school Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm in Room 20 for a meeting to discuss their children's program and life at NSS. **We cannot do it without you and your support!**

Interested parents, who wish to join us for our Terry Fox Run, are asked to be at the school ready to roll at 9:45 am on September 23.

Our first dance of the school year is on Friday, September 25th, in support of our Boys' Soccer Tournament happening that same day and on Saturday.

Remember, if you have any questions, concerns, suggestions, or comments...let us know, as soon as possible. Solving small problems is much easier than waiting until they are large.

Kees van der Pol

We would like to go green as much as possible (save paper)—future newsletters will be sent home only with students (oldest in families) where we have no email address. If you have changed your email address or have recently got an email address please advise the school as soon as possible.

Important Dates:

Sep 18	Non-Instructional Day—no school
Sep 21	Band Instrument Rental — 6:00 pm
Sep 22	1st Semester course final drop date
Sep 22	Grade 8 parent meeting—7:00 pm
Sep 23	Terry Fox Run—9:50 am
Sep 24	Welcome Breakfast for Grade 8s
Sep 24	School Photo Day
Sep 24	Grade 9 Inoculations
Sep 25-26	Boys Soccer Tournament at NSS
Sep 25	Dance (Arena auditorium)
Sep 30	Linear course final drop date
Sep 30	PAC Meeting—7:00 PM—Library
Oct 08	Newsletter #3
Oct 12	Thanksgiving Day—holiday
Oct 20	Interim Report Card
Oct 20	Photo Retake Day
Oct 23	Non-Instructional Day-no school

Cell Phones

Cell phones are not to be used during school instructional time. Students are welcome to use their cell phones before and after school, or during lunch time break.



PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, September 30th
7:00 PM
NSS Library

All parents are invited to attend—come and see how you can make a difference in your child's education.

ATTENTION PARENTS/GUARDIANS

If you are able to be a volunteer driver for our sports teams please request a volunteer driver package from the school office. Volunteer drivers are paid their gas and (for overnight stays-accommodation). All volunteer driver's must submit to a criminal record search and driver's abstract.



***Sr. & Jr. Boys' Invitational
Soccer Tournament***

September 25 & 26

Hosted by NSS

***Soccer Dance
Friday, Sept., 25th***

7:00-11:00pm

Arena Auditorium

\$10 students

\$6 boys soccer players

The Nolan Studio of Vocal Arts is accepting registrations for private and group classes in:

- Singing
- Speech Arts (public speaking)
- Acting

Musical Theatre Club!! (Age 7-14) \$150
12 Sessions Thursdays from 3:15-4:15pm
October 1 December 17, 2009 and
April 1 June 17, 2010

Call Christina Nolan at 778-206-0034 (it's local) for further information or to register. Spaces are limited call today!!

SCENT-FREE at
Nakusp Secondary School

Many people are extremely sensitive to perfumes, colognes, aftershaves, and other scented products. Please refrain from wearing them in school or using them in the shower before coming to school.

Thank you for being considerate of your fellow students and staff members.

**Nakusp Elementary and Nakusp Secondary
music/band students instrument rental night**

Sept: 21st—6:00p.m, Bonnington Arts Centre

Instrument Rental Night - any students wanting to rent an instrument for the year

Arrow Lakes Arts Council presents the West Kootenay Artists Series.

The first concert features "Rhapsodie", a group of three local music teachers—Lisa Ante, Marilyn Massey and Christina Nolan. Sunday, Sept. 27th at 2pm in the Bonnington Arts Centre. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Please come out and support your local musicians.