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National Addictions Awareness Week, Nov. 24 - 30



We are incredibly proud of Wynne, who was invited to speak at a National Addictions Awareness Week community event. Wynne shared heartfelt insights about her connection to culture and how it fosters resilience and resistance to addictions. Her powerful words inspired many, and she represented our school with excellence.

Important Dates

Nov. 29	Pro-D Day, no school
Dec. 4	Performance by Myrtle Sisters at 1:30
Dec. 6	Vision Screening
Dec 19	Christmas Concert at 7:00, everyone welcome
Dec. 23	First Day of Winter Break
Jan. 3	Last Day of Winter Break
Jan. 6	In-Service Day, no school
Jan. 7	School reopens, first day back for students



Alert Bay School Newsletter

November 2024

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

As we reflect on another busy and exciting month at our school, I am filled with pride in the growth, collaboration, and community spirit we've shared.

This month, we completed our math and literacy assessments, providing valuable insights into our students' learning journeys. Individual Education Plan meetings were held with families to ensure tailored support for student success, emphasizing our commitment to fostering each child's unique potential.

A highlight of the month was our Salmon Feast, which brought together families, elders, and staff in celebration of tradition and community. It was heartwarming to see such a strong turnout and shared enthusiasm for this cherished event.

We also had the privilege of hosting consultants from the Provincial Schools Outreach Team and Set BC, who connected us with additional resources to better meet the diverse needs of our students. Their guidance and expertise will strengthen our instructional strategies and support services.

On a personal note, I am thrilled to share that I recently completed my Certificate in Teacher Librarianship through UBC. This program has deepened my understanding of how libraries and literacy can enrich our students' learning experiences, and I look forward to applying these skills within our school community.

Looking ahead, we have many exciting events on the horizon. The Myrtle Sisters will delight us with a special performance, and our students will enjoy a field trip to Mt. Cain. We are thrilled to announce that the Missoula Theatre Company will hold a residency with our school the week of March 31, culminating in a performance of Pinocchio on April 4.

In truly exciting news, our Intermediate class has been invited to participate in a fully sponsored trip to the Nawalakw Culture and Language Camp in Bond Sound. This incredible opportunity will provide a rich cultural and educational experience, and we look forward to sharing more details soon.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community. Together, we are creating a vibrant, enriching environment for our students to thrive.

Gilakas'la from Mrs. Harris

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Leaves
Fallen Time

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Our Salmon Feast



On November 15, our school hosted our annual "Salmon Feast." Students proudly shared their knowledge through speeches, songs, and traditional dances, while also serving yusa (fish soup) with t'hi'na (eulachon grease) to our honored guests. We are deeply grateful to everyone who joined us in celebrating the return of the salmon. Photo credits to Sarah Byers and Janine Croy.

Cookie Baking for the Feast



Our entire school came together to bake cookies for the Salmon Feast. The students had a wonderful afternoon mixing, and shaping treats to share with our guests.

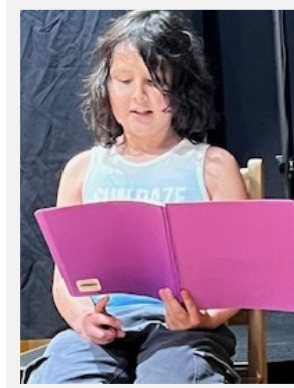
Remembrance Day Assembly



We were grateful to have families join us for our Remembrance Day assembly. Primary students recited poetry beautifully, and an original poem by a gifted intermediate student deeply moved everyone. Thank you for sharing this meaningful time with us.



Wizards and Potions



Eight students from the senior class worked diligently learning lines and developing their characters for a Halloween themed play called Wizards and Potions. Students delivered this short performance for the school community just after Halloween.



District Cross Country



On November 6, our students participated in the Cross Country meet at AJ Elliott Elementary School in Sointula. Congratulations to Lily-Ann, who placed second in the Tyke Girls category, and Wynne, who placed second in the Bantam Girls category! We're proud of all our runners for their hard work and sportsmanship.

