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## A Snowy Start to February



The first part of the month brought plenty of snow and icy temperatures to our school, creating a winter wonderland for students to enjoy. Thank you to all families for driving carefully and ensuring children were dressed warmly. A reminder to keep a spare set of clothes at school in case your child gets wet at recess or lunch.

## Important Dates

Mar. 7	Primary class trip to Cluxewe to release salmon fry
Mar. 10	Welcome School Board trustees to our school
Mar. 13	Regional Science Fair
Mar. 17 - 28	Spring Break, no school
Mar. 31	First Day back to school after Spring Break
Mar. 31 - Apr. 4	Missoula Children's Theatre Residency Please don't book appointments for this week.
Apr. 4	7:00 Performance of "Pinocchio" Everyone Welcome
Apr. 9	1:30 Performance by Rachel Therrien
Apr. 11	Whole School swim trip to Port Hardy pool
Apr. 18	Good Friday, no school
Apr. 21	Easter Monday, no school



# Alert Bay School Newsletter

February 2025

## Principal's Message

Hello Families,

February has come and gone, and it has been a busy and eventful month for us. Mrs. Bragan's class cared for their salmon eggs, which have now developed to the point where they are ready to be released into the Cluxewe River. This is a responsibility we take very seriously, as salmon are vital to our community's feasts and sustenance. We deeply appreciate Mrs. Bragan and her class for their dedication to raising the chum at our school.

A reminder to parents of students in Grades 4 and Grade 7 to share their voices through the [Student Learning Survey](#). Your feedback is invaluable and is carefully considered at the school, district, and provincial levels. Call the school if you would like the link emailed to you again.

On March 10th, we will welcome the Board of School Trustees as they visit to experience a day at our school. We will share our academic achievements, highlight areas where we excel, and provide an opportunity to voice concerns or seek support for any challenges. This visit is also a chance to celebrate our successes and showcase the many events and accomplishments of our students.

Our students worked diligently on their science fair projects, and those who advanced to the next level will compete at the regional science fair in March. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and enjoyed a fantastic day celebrating their hard work.

After spring break, the Missoula Children's Theater Company will visit our school to direct a production of *Pinocchio*. Attendance throughout the week is essential, as regular participation is key to success in the play. We are excited for the final performance on Friday night.

As always, our doors are open, and we encourage parents and families to drop in or reach out with any questions or concerns. We value parent participation and welcome your involvement in all aspects of your child's education.

Gilakas'la,  
Mrs. Harris

## Dzadza'wanx First Oolichan Run Time

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### Science Fair



Our school's Science Fair was held on February 27. Participants proudly presented their projects, impressing everyone with their scientific discoveries. A special thank you to all the families who came to support our young scientists. Our winners will be announced next week. They will represent our school at the Regional Science Fair on March 13.



### 100 Days of School



On February 18th our primary students had a blast celebrating the 100th day of school. The day was filled with exciting activities, including making colorful necklaces with 100 edible beads and crafting fun 100-dot hats. Students also participated in other creative "100"-themed challenges, reinforcing their counting skills in a fun way. It was a fantastic milestone, and we are so proud of how much our students have learned and grown this year.

### Mt. Cain Trip

On February 10, our whole school had an exciting trip to Mt. Cain. Primary students had a blast sliding down the hills, while intermediates enjoyed skiing and snowboarding lessons, complete with lift passes. Everyone warmed up with a hot lunch at the cafe. A big thank you to the many parent chaperones who made this unforgettable day a success.



### Ala'xwa Tournament

On February 20, our Intermediate class traveled to Port Hardy to participate in Eagleview Elementary's Ala'xwa (Bone Games) Tournament. Our students and staff have been learning the traditional game of Ala'xwa, and it was exciting to put their skills to the test against other school teams. We are grateful to Eagleview for hosting this fun event, and our students can't wait for the next opportunity to play.



### Pink Shirt Day

On February 26, our students proudly wore pink to support **Pink Shirt Day**, a movement promoting kindness, inclusion, and anti-bullying. The sea of pink across our school was a powerful reminder that even small acts of kindness can make a big difference. Thank you to everyone who participated—together, we are creating a culture of respect and empathy. Let's continue to stand up for one another

