



---Walton Elementary--A Learning Community ---

沃尔顿小学 – 学习型社区

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HAPPY NEW YEAR! 新年快乐!

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

幼稚园报名

Kindergarten Registration takes place in all School District No. 43 elementary schools February 5,6, and 7. Walton Registration will be held from 9 am – 3 pm each day. Please refer to the district website at www.sd43.bc.ca to review the required documents for parents to bring at the time of registration. Information regarding registration for programs of choice (Bilingual Mandarin, French Immersion, Reggio-Emilio and Montessori) is available on the district website.

HEALTHY LIVING AT WALTON

健康生活在沃尔顿

Since January, we have welcomed many new families to our learning community. Now is a good time to remind each other of our healthy living focus. To assist parents and children with planning healthy snacks and meals you may wish to refer to the Canada Food Guide website at <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fn-an/food-guide-aliment/index-eng.php> Foods that are high in calories but low in nutrition, do not promote healthy brain growth and development. With childhood obesity,

diabetes and heart conditions on the rise amongst the young, we are doing our utmost at school to educate and support children in making healthy choices. The daily physical activity required to maintain good health for children is sixty minutes per day. How is your child doing?

STAFF UPDATES

人事变动

Our resident tacky tourist, Mr. Ferguson, is laying down his chalk and entering the next chapter of his life as he will retire from a long teaching career on January 31st. The staff and students will be honouring Mr. Ferguson with a Tacky Tourist Farewell Assembly on Thursday, January 31 at 10:45 am. Parents are welcome to join us! Wear your tackiest attire!

We are pleased to welcome Mr. Keith Hansen to the Walton Community. Mr. Hansen will assume the teaching duties of Division 3 on February 1.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

学生主导会议

Please note that the Student Led Conferences will be held on Thursday, February 21 from 2 – 6 pm. Students will

be dismissed at 1:45 pm. There is no early dismissal on January 24. Families are welcome to drop in between 2-6 to celebrate their child's learning. Mrs. Meister and Mrs. McMeiken will be happy to supervise school-aged siblings so that each child may have the undivided attention of his/her parent(s) for their Student Led Conference. Please make alternate child care arrangements for pre-school aged children.

SAFETY DRILLS

安全演习

We will continue to practice our safety procedures with periodic drills. Thank you to all of our wonderful Walton parents for your prompt return of the Emergency Release Forms.

LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION YEAR OF THE SNAKE

农历新年庆祝活动 -- 蛇年

All Walton students and staff will be taking part in special activities to celebrate the **Lunar New Year**. On Wednesday, February 6 all staff and students will have the opportunity to receive an airbrush snake tattoo in honour of the Year of the Snake. A permission form will be sent home in your child's planner for this. The children in the Bilingual Program will be performing for parents on Thursday, February 7 at 1:00 pm. Children are encouraged to wear ethnic dress (from any country) for this special day.

All students and staff will attend a special assembly on February 7 at 9 am and a Lion Dance Troupe will be in the school at 11:30 am. Unfortunately we are not able to accommodate guests for the morning festivities.

DATES TO NOTE

重要日期

Fri., Jan.25	Pro-D Day (no classes)
Feb.5-7	Kindergarten Registration for children born in 2008
Wed., Feb.6	Snake Tattoos
Thurs. Feb. 7	Lunar New Year Performance at 1 pm
Mon. Feb 11	Family Day (school closed)
Tues. Feb. 19	Walton Public Speaking Festival (Gr. 4 and 5)
Fri. Feb.22	District Pro-D Day



