



# The Raven Report

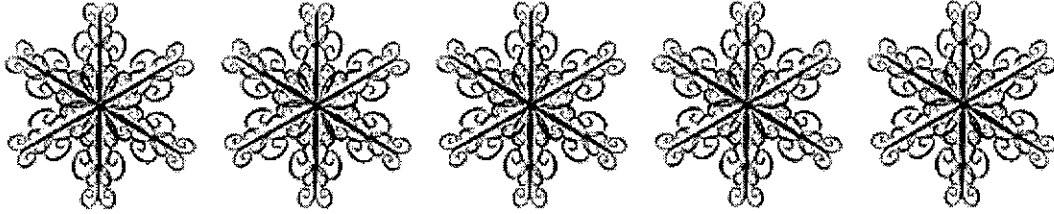
February 6th, 2017



This short month is filled with a number of special events. There are a number of family oriented events which we hope you will join us for. Having parents at the school on occasion is great community building but more importantly, research shows that students achieve higher success when they see their parents involved at the school. We hope to see you out for some fun!

Upcoming events:

- Toque Tuesday Feb. 7th
- Reggio Inspired Family Game night Feb 8th (Reggio families only)
- Winter Carnival Week Feb. 13-17th
- Confucius Classroom Grand Opening Feb. 16th 1:30pm
- Pink Shirt Day Feb. 22nd
- Student Council Spirit Week Feb 21-24th
  - Feb 21st--Backwards Day
  - Feb. 23rd--100th Day--dress like 100yr old!
  - Feb. 24th Favorite character/celebrity day
- School Council Casino fundraiser Feb. 26 & 27th
- There is no School Feb. 27th-March 3rd



Winter Carnival Week Activities

Monday Feb. 13th	Tuesday Feb. 14th	Wednesday Feb. 15th	Thursday Feb. 16th	Friday Feb. 17th
Carnaval L'hiver 12:10-2:40  Family Masquerade Dance 6:45-8:30	Guest Elder Marie Adams Storytelling about winter on the trap line in Grade 6 12:30pm	Family Pancake Breakfast 7:30-8:00am  Family Snowshoe fun 3:00-4:00	Grand Opening Confucius Classroom 1:30pm	Div 2 to Vista Ridge  Grade 1 Family snowman building/painting 1:15-2:15

We will be a Leader in Me School next year!



Thanks to the generous donation given by the Tzu Chi Foundation of Canada, Our school will begin our journey as a Leader in Me School beginning in February with staff training. There are a number of components that staff need to be trained in and we are very excited for this opportunity. Next school year we begin to learn the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People, Implement Leadership development for staff and students and work on creating a new school culture.



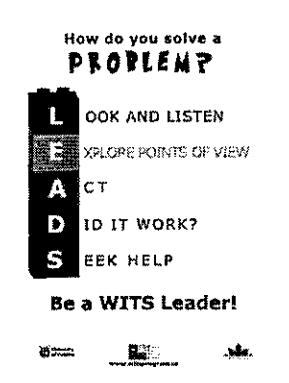
Alberta Education says they mailed out the Grade 4 parent surveys, so you should be getting those any day. Please remember if you have any questions to call or visit Ms. Nutter or Mr. Parsons at the school for assistance. As well, if you prefer to have the letter translated, we can get that done for you!

## **Safe and Caring School**

Although Pink Shirt day is a one day event, and organized by our SASP team and the school counselor, our SASP Program team has also been working on some ideas that they want to implement as part of a campaign called *Mission Possible: The Kindness Project*.

This team of students is led by Pattie Dwyer, a mentor from Some Other Solutions and she comes in weekly to work on leadership skills and increase self confidence in the process. The students have brainstormed a number of activities as a part of this project including acts of kindness, shining star awards, special announcements, PAL program and so much more.

The students are very involved in creating a caring climate at Walter and Gladys Hill Public School.



As a school community we have also been fortunate enough to have the WITS program beginning this past fall. Teachers, RCMP and the Monarchs Football team work together to deliver anti-bullying problem solving lessons in the classroom. There are also monthly WITS awards for students who are chosen for using their WITS during the month.

Grades 4-6 students just completed their "Our School" Survey and they reported many positive results:

- 86% of the students felt a positive sense of belonging and had positive relationships
- 95% reported positive behavior at school
- 87% feel safe at school as well as going to and from school

