

PELL7A7LLQ TEN "DIGGING MONTH"



Dates to Remember

- May 3rd - Parent Meeting
- May 8-11th - K4/5 Orientation Days
- May 10th - Mother's Day Luncheon
- May 17th - Sturgeon Release Field Trip (Mrs. Marta and Mrs. Kopp's classes only)
- May 22nd - Victoria Day - No School
- May 23-26th - Swimming Lessons - Enderby Pool



Shihiya Monthly Newsletter

May 2023

News from Ms. Miller's Classroom

I hope everyone had a wonderful and relaxing March Break! We had a busy first week back filled with Easter songs, stories and crafts.

We have learned 21 letter names and sounds! We have had fun learning about bees, signs of Spring (roll up the rim is my favourite answer), Octopus, lobsters, and Nursery rhymes.

Students are thrilled and excited to watch our praying mantis and our butterflies hatch! We will learn about life cycles and habitats.

Our second Term cultural story was a huge success and our celebration of learning at the Kekuli was a lot of fun! This Term story is *Grandmother Spider Teaches Secwepemc to Make Nets*. Spring is such a fun time of year! We will have many outdoor activities so we can enjoy the warmer weather!

News from Miss Racher's Classroom

Grade ½ students arrived back from Spring Break healthy and ready to learn. Recent reading group topics of study have included "Chicken Little", "Alphabet Detectives" and a "Dinosaurs Before Dark" novel study. In Socials, we have been exploring our personal strengths and making an effort to recognize and describe positive traits in ourselves and others. Students did an amazing job finishing and presenting their "How Bear Lost His Tail" final projects to demonstrate their learning in Fine Arts, Science, Socials, Language Arts and Secwepemc. We all had a blast at our wrap-up "Olympics" day at the Kekuli and students are to be commended for their teamwork as they moved through 3 Bear and Coyote-themed stations. We have recently introduced our final term story, "Grandmother Spider Teaches Secwepemc to Fish". Stay tuned for the exciting projects and field trips we will use to deepen our understanding of this entertaining tale. Themes of patience, generosity and trust will be explored as we study how we are all connected in special ways. Hands up to all staff, students and families for a positive and lively start to our final term. We will be busy in Grade 1/2, making the most of every day in May and June to end the year in a good way and, as always, we look forward to sharing our work with you.



News from Mrs. Marta's Classroom

April showers bring May flowers! Please remember to send your student to school with a rain jacket and proper footwear. Last month, we learned Inuit games, had a Bear presentation, and learned about sexual health with Amy and Katrina. This month we welcomed two new students to our classroom! Welcome Phoenix and Carson. We went to the Kekuli for our celebration of learning. The students had a great afternoon. Students learned about the Medicine wheel and the meanings of each direction. We created Tree costumes for the Tree walk. The students had opportunities to learn how to make a design, tie-dying, printmaking, assembling a costume, and how to become a tree with movement. Students will take part in a tree walk in Enderby.

Happy Spring!!

News from Mrs. Kopp's Classroom

The third and final term of the school year is upon us. Students have had a great introduction to our third term story "Spider Teaches Man to Build a Net". Students and staff have worked hard this term and the end of the 2022-2023 school year is so close. The Grade 5-7's have worked with Run Away Moon and Cathy Stubbington with the Tree Walk Parade project. Students have created their own tree costume and participated in a parade downtown Enderby with M.V. Beattie students on April 20th. Students have been to Gym of Rock in Salmon Arm, Gardom Lake Camp (Hiking, Frisby Golf and Archery), and had Swimming Lessons at the Enderby Pool. We are so excited to welcome all the Important Women in our lives to attend the Mother's Day Tea in person this year. Students are excited to be getting frogs as our classroom pets and we continue to look after our Salmon and they will be ready to release at Kingfisher in June. Students will continue with their Cultural Learning by looking at Seasonal Rounds for Spring and Summer and will construct a Summer home/village. In Science students will look at Natural Resources- rocks & minerals, land, land forms, pollution, erosion and the Solar System- Moon cycles, Earth Cycles and Seasons. Please remember that you can connect with me at any time face to face, via text or an email. I would like to thank you for the continue support in your child's learning and growth this year. Danielle and I look forward to the last couple of months with your child/children.



Photo above: Students are partaking in Inuit games with teacher Ashley Marta.

Photo left: Display of examples that students used as inspiration for their Tree Walk costume.



News from John Jones

Cultural Resource Coordinator



Mrs. Kopp's Class making Sxusa

Constance's Kitchen

Graham Tea Biscuits

Oven: 220C or 425F

Tripled Recipe. It was a hit with the Kids.

4 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups flour	3 cups graham cracker crumbs
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt	6 tbsp sugar
1/3 c. baking powder,	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup margarine or butter
2 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups milk (depending on texture)	

Directions

Combine margarine, flour, graham cracker crumbs, salt, sugar, and baking powder well, add milk slowly and gently knead into a ball. The dough should have a soft fluffy texture.

Roll out flat with a rolling pin. Using a glass, cup, or cookie cutter, cut into portions 2 cm approx. $\frac{3}{4}$ inch thick. Place on a parchment covered cookie sheet. Bake at 425F or 220C for 10 to 12 minutes.

Term 2 Celebration of Learning: How Bear Lost His Tail



[Link to YouTube video "How Bear Lost His Tail" Scan QR Code](#)



New Student Orientation Days!

Shihya School welcomes all new students: Ms. Miller's K4/K5/Gr. 1 classroom will be open to new K4/K5 students on Monday May 8th through to Thursday May 11th from 8:30-10:30am. New students and their parents are invited to visit the school to experience and participate in classroom activities. Please call the school at 250-838-2246 to let us know that you would like to visit.