



# Schuler February News



*"Celebrating  
Amazing  
Students"*

**Reminder:**

Parent Teacher interviews will be held this Thursday from 3:30-6:30pm, and Friday from 2-5pm. We encourage you to phone the office to book your appointment times.

**The Principal Point**

Term two report cards were delivered to students on Friday. I would like to congratulate Kirsten K., Rayanne B., Dan M., Korilye K., Morgan K., Justine K., Giana H., Ashley H., Ty Tom H., Abbey B., Nallie F., Lacy B., Tia H., Bailey H., and Aidan M. on being named to the honor roll. The honor roll recognizes students in grades 4-9 who achieve 80% or above in Math, LA, Social, Science and PE. It is certainly an accomplishment worth celebrating. We ask families to sign the report cards and return them to the school. Interviews are scheduled for Thursday and Friday this week.

Olympic Fever has struck Schuler! We are midway into our in-

tramural Winter Olympics, and I am impressed with the spirit of the students (and staff!). Congratulations to teams on their spirit medals, and to the athletes for their efforts so far. The winter Olympics in Schuler conclude on Feb 11th with the closing ceremonies.

Alberta Education has delivered school survey forms to all parents who have children in grades 4 through 9. This is different from in the past, when only grade 4 and 7 parents would be surveyed. I thank all parents in advance for taking the time to complete and mail the surveys. The information you provide is used by staff to help improve and refine our school.

Thank you and Take Care,

*Eli Merrick*

## February 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4 PT Inter-views	5 PT Inter-views	6
7	8	9	10 4-9 Curling Bonspiel	11	12 Ski Trip	13
14	15 Family Day Holiday	16 No school	17 No School	18 Teacher's Convention	19 Teacher's Convention	20
21	22 Swim K-3	23 Swim 7-9	24 Swim 4-6	25	26	27
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Smiling faces from our Division One class.

**Reminder**

Due to Family Day, 2 days off in lieu of Parent Teacher Interviews, and Teacher Convention, there is no school for students the week of Feb. 15th-19th. We'll see you on Feb. 22nd.

**Thank You!**

Thank you to the Drowning Ford members who have provided funding for our school to purchase an Artificial Electronic Defibrillator (AED) for our school to have in case of cardiac situations at our school.

Thank you to Mrs. Heller, our school trustee, and Andrew Maier, our student body president, for speaking during our Olympic Opening Ceremonies. You helped us understand what it means to be a good citizen.

## 'What's up?' with Mrs. Herman

The Olympic spirit is among us. Get ready for Team Germany! Good luck to all participants! On a more scholastic matter, in Science 9 we've begun our quest into electricity. We plan to do lots of labs for plenty of hands on experiences! In social studies 4/5, we are almost finished with our geographical study of the 6 regions in Canada. We've slowed down a little on this topic to fit in some important current events issues. In computers, we will practice typing again, and learn a little about the PowerPoint and excel programs. The Junior Highs have finished French and are now into Communications Technology for their options class. Our beginning project is a type of virtual autobiography. I can't wait to learn more about these unique individuals. Critical Thinking 1-3 has us exploring more out the Olympics and also about citizenship. I hope to see you at interviews on Friday, February 5.

## Maier's Minutes

Wow, the first month of 2010 is already over! During January the division two class finished creating a Hatchet journal written from Brian's point of view. We have written news articles, research summaries and continued to work on good sentence structure as well as cursive writing. In grade four math we have finished up our unit on basic division facts and have been working on a measurement unit. We continue to work on the basic facts through daily Mad Minutes. Please take time to help your child learn the basic facts; it will be a great asset to them throughout their schooling. GO RUSSIA GO

Schuler School is on the internet. Check out [www.schulerschool.ca](http://www.schulerschool.ca) for school information, pictures and upcoming events. There is even a new section that forecasts the weather for the school.



## Noerenberg News

January passed by very quickly this year in Division One. We have been doing a great deal of reading, writing and math activities. Everyone in our class has realized how important it is to try your best no matter what! Each improvement is an individual celebration and it's a good feeling to know that you are better at something today than you were yesterday.

We are so thankful that our students who travelled great distances have returned safely. We are also grateful to Mrs. Wells for her dedication in helping us out each week.

February is an exciting month for Division One. We are looking forward to our 100 day celebration, Valentine's Day, Ground Hog Day, the Ski trip, swimming lessons and even a week off! Enjoy, laugh, love!

## Character Counts!

In February, students will learn about and practice good citizenship. We will learn about and practice how to be a good citizen in our homes, our communities, and our country. The final activity will be the Schuler Olympic Games, where true athletes compete in fun sporting events.

## NOTICE HILDA BAPTIST KIDS CLUB

Just a reminder that the Hilda Baptist Kids Club will have its last meeting on Wednesday, February 10, 2010.

Again, we are grateful for the work of the community in helping to maintain these facilities.

## Greetings from Miss Oster:

Well 2010 is off to a quick start but we have much to be proud of already. The LA 7-9 class will be wrapping up some research style projects before we get into our next unit; a novel study. Div 2 Science students have been busy in the simple machines unit creating neat machines and doing some fun hands on activities to demonstrate their knowledge. Science 7/8's are working in the Light and Optics unit. Career Transitions has officially wrapped up after the students completed their job shadows this week and next week we will get started with Drama. P.E. continues to see students on ice and working on fitness testing.

Hope the first month of the New Year has been a great one!

## Amazing Student Lunches

Please check the revised schedule for student lunches. The Feb 24th, March 10th and March 24th Wednesday hot lunches have each been pushed back a day to Thursdays to avoid conflicts with our swim program.

A schedule for remaining lunches for the year looks like this:

Feb 3rd—Pink	Feb 25th—Red
March 11th—White	March 25th—Yellow
April 14th—Turquoise	

The staff at Schuler is proud of our Amazing Students, and look forward to spending time with each of you.

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## Kinder Corner

The Schuler ECS is happy to report a great first half of the school year. Thanks to many kind supporters during our Mom's Pantry fundraiser, and our Kindervestment program, we are well on our way to meeting our financial goals this year. We truly appreciate your support.

The Kindergarten class has been a very busy place this year. Each day, we begin our day with a morning routine, with the calendar, literacy bus, weather and stories. Every school day, we work on our printing (and learning letter sounds). We've already worked through the capital letters and are now learning our lowercase letters! We do lots of other activities like Music, centers and are very excited to go skating at the Schuler rink. We have a "LOVELY" Valentine's Day party planned this month. We are also very excited for swimming lessons to start after the February break. Thanks to the "big kids" who look out for us and play with us at recess. We appreciate your kindness.



## Annual Stitch a Blanket Days

Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (bring a lunch)

Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (lunch available for purchase)

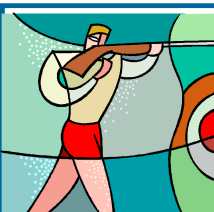
At the Hilda Community Hall

Anyone who is interested in arranging quilt blocks, pinning, pressing, cutting, or sewing is welcome to come and make some warm comfort for someone less fortunate.

The recipients of these charity quilts will be decided by those attending the stitching days. No quilt making experience required.

All are welcome to come for all day or just part of a day.

For more info: please call Marilyn Haag – 403-839-2441



### **FIREARMS ACQUISITION CERTIFICATE**

Anyone interested in attaining their FAC can register for a course @ Hilda Hall.

The dates for the course are Sat. Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and Sun. Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

To register contact Cindy @ (403) 838-2510 or [rc\\_straub@hotmail.com](mailto:rc_straub@hotmail.com)

## **Ski and Swim Information**

### **Ski Trip**

The school ski trip is planned for Friday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Student Union for helping fund the student ski/snowboard packages.

Families are asked to meet at the hill before 8:45AM. We are admitted as a group, so for the good of everyone, we ask that all families arrive on time. Otherwise, we risk losing ski time for the group or missing opportunities to access school rates.

For those students not going skiing, there will be classes at the school, and bussing to and from it, as normal.

### **Swim Lessons**

Swimming lessons at the MH Family Leisure Center begin the Monday following the February break, and continues until Easter break (6 weeks). Busses leave the school at noon, swimming goes from 1-2, and we return in time for bussing home. Any parents planning on picking their children up on these days are asked to provide a written note before we leave the school. It would be most helpful for organization purposes. Swim days are:

Mondays—K-3

Tuesdays—Grades 7-9

Wednesdays—Grades 4-6

# Schuler Olympic Photos



## Helmets save skiers, snowboarders, study confirms

From the [www.cbc.ca](http://www.cbc.ca) website, Feb 1st, 2010

Wearing helmets to ski and snowboard helps reduce the risk of head injury without increasing the risk of neck injury, Canadian researchers say.

Helmet use reduced the risk of head injuries among skiers and snowboarders by 35 per cent, a review of 12 studies published in Monday's issue of the Canadian Medical Association Journal found.

Traumatic brain injury is the leading cause of death and serious injury among skiers and snowboarders, the researchers said. Estimates from several countries suggest head injuries account for up to 19 per cent and neck injuries for up to four cent of all injuries reported by ski patrols and emergency departments.

But between two and five out of every 10 head injuries could be prevented by wearing helmets, the reviewers concluded. "The use of helmets significantly protects against head injuries among skiers and snowboarders,"