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# ÉCOLE WHITEHORSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

We speak, we care, we grow, I belong

# February @ École Whitehorse Elementary: French Immersion Week, Rendez-vous & Black History Month

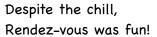


French Immersion
Week was filled
with French
expressions, art,
and music from
around the globe in the end, students
voted for Magic in
the Air! Don't forget
le petit-déjeuner
C'était délicieux!



A student in the very first French Immersion class in Whitehorse and a current FI teacher, Mme Danielle, was presented with an award from CPF. Bravo!







La tire is always a tasty treat! Merci to David, Stephanie et Jocelyne, les moniteurs de langue.



During Black History Month, important Canadian personalities are studied and recognized by the Grade 6/7 students.

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Engelure made an appearance during Rendez vous activities at École Whitehorse Elementary!



Going away on Vacation? You can help us by letting the front office and your classroom teacher know. Merci

### Pizza Day:

Pizza Lunch - March 10 Theme - Summer in Winter

### **Spring Break:**

March 13 - March 24

# Easter Weekend:

April 7-April 10

#### **School Calendar**

https:// www.whitehorseelement

#### ÉWES School Council:

We have a new council for the next two years. Please join me in welcoming Laura Lang, Thane Phillips, Sarah Gallina, Donna-Marie Haughton, Ron Davis, Alisha McLean, Johanna Havelaar to the team.

The school council meets on the third Monday of every month.

The next meeting will be held on March 27th at 6:30 pm.

All are welcome.



Sunshine Committee chairs, Mme Nicola and Mme Kerrie present Mme Céline Roy with a parting gift on behalf of staff. This past month, we said "au revoir" to Mme Céline as she retired for a second time. We sincerely appreciate that she energetically came out of retirement to help support the ÉWES team for five years. She leaves behind a legacy of 40+ years of teaching, a love for our students and the community and the beautiful mural. She worked tirelessly to organize this piece of art with the students and artist Nathalie Parenteau to honour 40+ years of French Immersion. We will be reminded everyday of her efforts and dedication to our school community. We wish you all the best in your next adventures, Mme Céline. A bientôt.

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# Communicating Student Progress - February

Three Way Conferences were recently held at ÉWES. This event represents one of the six points in a year to communicate student progress. Throughout the school year, we have two formal report cards, two conferences, an informal interim checklist in the fall and a portfolio event in the spring.

These recently held conferences provide an opportunity for students to communicate areas of strength and growth. A student-led conference engages the student in direct communication with the parents through the use of evidence of their learning, illustrating the student's achievements and learning. Students take the lead in walking their parents through selection of accomplishments and demonstrations of their work. These conferences bring students to the centre of classroom assessment.

Thank you to all for supporting your child through the conference process.

#### World Wildlife fund fundraiser

Hi! We are kids that go to Whitehorse Elementary School in Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada. Our names are Chloe Rayment and Maisie Plaunt and we had a fundraiser to help your organization. We didn't want to only think about humans because all living things matter in this world. We want to give you a donation to help the animals and your organization. We had a bake sale in our school for the fundraiser.

## Chloe and Maisie



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# Sports:

École Whitehorse Elementary Grade 7 boys and girls basketball teams participated in a basketball tournament this past month. The athletes represented our school with effort and sportsmanship. We extend a big thank you to the coaches, Mme Isabel and M. Dan. Congratulations to our girls team who won a hard fought final game to earn a gold medal! Félicitations les filles!

**Polar Games** was held for the first time in three years. For two whole days, Grade 6 students from across the territory converged on Whitehorse to play sports and meet new friends. The dance, held at ÉWES was a tremendous success - they danced the night away!

## Chante-la ta chanson 2023:

Along with other primary schools, École Whitehorse Elementary participated in the annual French choral celebration at Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre on Friday. A big thank you to Mme Marie Maude and Mme Juliette's, Mme Chantal's, Mme Valérie's and M. Gabriel's classes. We were very well represented - Bravo!







**Tumble Books:** Did you know you have access to French and English books, either to read or have them read aloud with Tumble Books?

https://www.tumblebooklibrary.com/ User name: Yukon Password: Books

# Avalanche study with grade 6-7 Outdoor Education and Swim Patrol.... On the move!



Science in action in a Grade 4 classroom. Looks messy!







Chill'ax'n in the school yard. Students using resources available to them (snow), keeping busy and using their creativity during recess. Way to go!