

2025 FEBRUARY EDITION



the SILVER STAR News

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✧ Be the Best that you can BE! ✧



Silver Star is a Great Place to Learn

Words that we live by here at Silver Star.

“Be the best that you can be.”

Students are working hard with so many new and innovative learning opportunities. I hope that your children are sharing these exciting classroom and school events. You can ask them to share with you one positive thing that happened in their day.

We have had a number of exciting events planned. The students loved celebrating National Popcorn Day. What a treat to have movie popcorn and a movie for the whole school.



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Kindergarten Registration

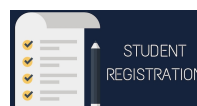
We continue to take registration for the 2025/2026 year. The Kindergarten program operates for the full day on every school day.

Important Information you need:

A Birth Certificate and Care Card/BC Services Card. Two pieces of proof of residency: a utility bill or tax notice that clearly identifies the current address. See registration guide at sd22.bc.ca

Montessori Registration

Registration for students wanting to attend Montessori Kindergarten or Grade 1 in September 2025 can apply now until February 13th. Please see the district website indicating Programs of Choice. Families will be notified as soon as the lottery draw is completed and will have 24 hours to accept if chosen.



✧ Tomorrow's Stars are Here Today ! ✧

Safety in the Parking Lots

Silver Star parents **we need your help in ensuring the safety of our students.** When entering the back parking lot we ask you to drive up drop off or pick up and drive away. **Please do not park in this line up and wait.** It creates an unsafe situation.

Please do not come into the front parking lot to drop off or pick up. That area is for STAFF only. If you need to park please park on the street and ensure the safety of all our students.

Silver Star Wolfpack Basketball

Silver Star Basketball season is in full swing. We have 3 teams that are very keen and willing to learn. We are fortunate and thankful to have our very experienced teachers, Mrs. Friesen, volunteering to coach the girls' grade 6/7 team.



Mr./Mrs. Redgwell & Mr. Au, who are parent volunteers, are coaching the boys' grade 6 & 7 teams. Our teams are working hard on learning the game and skills of basketball, as well as great teamwork and excellent sportsmanship.

Grade 7 Leaders

Our grade 7 students have been supporting Wolfpack community in many different ways. We have students leading our assemblies, their roles in the play, doing the morning announcements and so much more. Leadership is an important skill we want our grade 7's to master here and take on when they move on to high school. A huge thank you to the students who are reaching out of their comfort zone to challenge themselves.

Karaoke Time



The intermediate students can be found on Mondays in the Library with Mr. Hough. Students singing their hearts out to their favourite songs. All are welcome to join.

Photo Sessions

Exciting News! Family photos are coming up soon! **The session will take place on March 4 2025 at the school.** This environment allows us to provide quality portrait sessions within a comfortable location. Our goal is to provide portraits that CELEBRATE you and your family.

This is a fundraiser! All proceeds from the sitting fee will go directly back to the school.

To book your Family Sitting portrait please visit this link:

[Silver Star Elementary Family Sittings](#)

If you have any questions after reviewing our sign up page, please contact our service team.

Phone: 1.888.644.4494

Email: help@mountainwest.ca

PAC Spring Carnival

Hello Silver Star parents and guardians. The PAC is reaching out to look for volunteers to help plan and execute our spring carnival! This event is put on by the PAC to give families a chance to participate in something together at the school that's just a fun evening for everyone. We are looking for support in areas such as concession, silent auction, and games. If you are interested please send an email to silverstarpac@gmail.com and we will be in touch with details! Thanks everyone.

Chess Club Has Started



Mr. Hough and Mr. Wilson have started the Silver Star Chess Club once again. Students are welcome to join in on Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch to learn how to play chess.

✕ The Wolfpack Rocks! ✕

Dress for the weather

As the temperatures continue to fluctuate, students are expected to dress appropriately for the weather in winter dress with a hat, gloves, boots and a warm coat or rain gear. It is always a good idea to have extra socks.

During this colder weather, we may need to shorten the amount of time students are outside. However, generally we try to get outside everyday as there are benefits to having outside time to maintain healthy learning. If the temperature drops, it does not automatically mean that we will have inside days. Rather, we will manage the length of outings. Factors such as wind chill and sunshine will play into our decisions. Please ensure that your child comes to school prepared to go outside.



Non Instructional Day

NO School

Friday, February 14th, 2025

On Friday, February 14th, teachers will be in learning sessions. Do NOT send your children to school that day. This non-instructional day will be designated for educators to take a deeper dive into areas that support student success.

Tuesday, February 25th



Our next PAC meeting is Tuesday, February 25th, 2025 at 6:15pm on ZOOM. The link will be available on the PAC Facebook page and emailed out to all families. As the parent of a child at Silver Star, you are already on the PAC - please join us to share your ideas about making Silver Star even better!

Kindness Day

WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 26TH

Bullying is a major problem in our schools, workplaces, homes, and over the Internet. Each year, on **Pink Shirt Day**, we encourage all of you to wear something pink to symbolize that we, as a society, will not tolerate bullying anywhere. Take the message and remember it all year long.

It is so important that victims of bullying know they are not alone and there is help and support available. Wearing a pink shirt on this day sends a strong message that others care. Often, the simple act of wearing a shirt can start conversations - conversations can be a big step towards healing and helping!

In February, our teaching of the month will be **Love, (The Eagle) – love for others, self, and nature.** We also have our growing hearts tree where we will be recognizing the acts of kindness around the school.

Please support Kindness day on February 26th and have your child wear **Pink!**



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Happy Family Day! February 17th

Family Day is an event that is intended to allow loved ones to take a respite from their daily lives and spend quality time together.

One of the best things about this occasion is that there is no single “requirement” for the activities to be celebrated; Family Day is as flexible as it is relaxing.

Hike a mountain, or hill, or lake, or trail – not just any one, but one that by the end, you feel you’ve accomplished something. Do something that pushes you, something you can look back on and feel proud!

Create a special family meal – something perhaps everyone can contribute to such as a pot luck? Perhaps it’s making homemade pizza from scratch. It doesn’t matter what, just so long as it becomes an event to spend time together mindfully.

When dinner’s over, don’t turn on the television! Sit down and play a board game, or better still, ask the older members of the family to tell stories of what family life was like when they were young.

Family Day is a time set aside to focus on getting closer to your loved ones.

Parking at Silver Star

Parents, please **DO NOT** park in the staff parking lot in the mornings or at the end of the day. The drop-off lane is for drive through only. This is a safety concern. There is parking along the sidewalk fence in front of the school and along 35th Ave and 12th St.

Up Coming Events February

- 13th Last Day for Registration
- 14th Non Instructional Day-No School
- 17th Family Day - No School
- 25th PAC Meeting 6:15 pm on ZOOM
- 26th Pink Shirt Day-Kindness Day

March

- 4th Family Photo Night 3:30-6:30pm
- 7th Interactive Fairy Tale
- 12th Choral Showcase
- 14th Last Day before Spring Break
- 31st First Day after Spring Break

April

- 18th Good Friday - No School
- 21st Easter Monday - NO School
- 24/25 Early Dismissal 11:30
- 24th Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

LATE ARRIVAL

Please call and leave a message before 8:30am if your child is going to be late or absent.
250-545-4409

This is too much fun!

