

## Takhini Kets'ädän Kù-Takhini

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### Principal's Message

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Welcome to 2023 and a new calendar year. While we are nearly through half the school year, the changing of the calendar year is significant to school as it is a time for fresh starts. There are certainly many things to reflect upon as we say good-bye to 2022. It was early in 2022 that the community had to vote to join the Yukon First Nation School Board. The road on this journey has had some bumps, but as the school year progresses and capacity is built within the board, new and exciting opportunities are emerging that benefit all students. I personally look forward to the work ahead and the changes that are coming about as a school under the guidance of the Board.

On that note, we will be having a Professional Development (PD day on January 16<sup>th</sup>. This is a Monday, so please note it on your calendar. For the day, Takhini will be hosting teachers from Grey Mountain (our sister school within Whitehorse under the FNSB guidance) for an in-service on indigenizing our curriculum through practices that support Indigenous ways of knowing and doing. We will be working with a team from SFU and are excited about the opportunities that will be presented as we move forward with this very important work.

As always, I welcome your comments, questions, and concerns. Please feel free to reach out or drop by the school.

Stay warm

Sincerely,

Gary Morgan

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## Upcoming Events

Sunday January 15th- Sports  
Afternoon 3-5 PM

Monday January 16th- PD  
DAY, No Classes

Friday January 20th- Order  
forms due for Pink Shirt Day

Thursday January 26th-  
Family Night 5:30-7:00PM

Outdoor winter fun! Dress  
warmly.

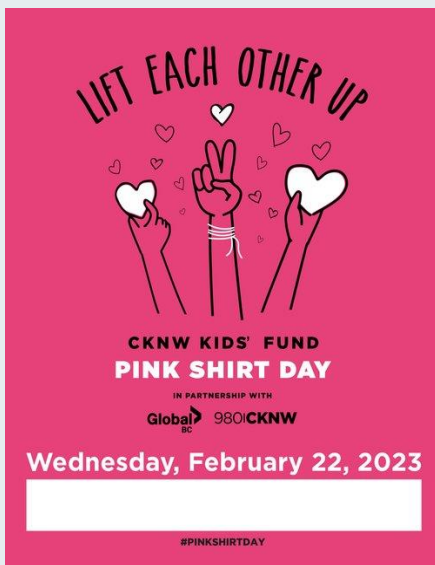


Ms. Gale's Grade 3 & 4 class  
enjoying the mild weather we  
have been having!



**Pink Shirt Day is held on the last Wednesday of February each year. People wear pink shirts to signify taking a stand against bullying. This day started in Nova Scotia, and it has become popular worldwide. We have sent home order forms with the students and you can find the forms here: [Take a stand against bullying and Cyberbullying | Staples.ca](#)**

**All the proceeds will be donated to the Kids Help Phone.**



## Winter Concert

The whole student body worked extremely hard on their performances for our winter concert this year. We had some challenges due to staff and student absences, everyone pulled together and the concert was a huge success! Santa even made an appearance and danced with students. We were fortunate to have Blake Lepine (YFNED) collaborate with our music and French teacher Dorothy Williams and include some traditional drumming to kick off the concert. Thank you to all the families who were able to come out and support our arts program.



