

Nelson Waldorf School Bulletin

AUGUST 25, 2010



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 2010

Tue	7 th	8:10- Noon	School Begins 1-8 & Marigold
Tue	7 th	8:45am	Rose Ceremony/Silver King Hall
Wed/Thur	8 + 9	8am - Noon	Kindergarten gradual entry
Wed	8 th	5:30-	Class 7 Parent Meeting
Wed	8 th	5:30-	Class 8 Parent Meeting
Thur	9 th	6 - 9pm	Class 6 Parent Meeting
Fri	10 th	TBA	Class 2 Parent Meeting
Sat	11 th	1 - 4pm	Class 3 / 4 Parent Meeting
Wed	15 th	12-1:30pm	Class 3 / 4 Farm Trip
Wed	15 th	5 - 7pm	Kindergarten Orientation Meeting
W - F	15-17		Class 7 Low Ropes Trip
Sat	18 th	TBA	All School Welcome Celebration
M - W	20-22		Class 6 Kokanee Glacier Trip
M - W	20-22		Class 8 High Ropes Trip
Tue	21 st	5 - 6:30pm	Class 5 Parent Meeting

SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS

The 2010/2011 School Year is fast approaching. Classes 1-8 and Marigold Daycare will begin Tuesday, September 7th. The first day will be a half day from 8:10am to 12noon for Classes 1 - 8. Marigold will be a full day from 8:00am - 4:30pm. Kindergarten will be gradual entry over two days Wednesday & Thursday, September 8th & 9th from 8:00am - 12noon.

ROSE CEREMONY

Internationally, Waldorf Schools will be celebrating the tradition of the Rose Ceremony. Parents are welcome to attend this reverent ceremony where Class One students are welcomed to the School and presented with a rose by Class 8 students. This Ceremony takes place the first day of school in the Silver King Hall at 8:45 a.m. A designated photographer will be there and photos will be available for families. **No photographing at this Ceremony.**

WELCOME NEW FAMILIES

If you and your family are new to the Nelson Waldorf School community, we wish you a warm welcome on behalf of the Social Inclusion Coordinating Group (SICG). We would like to facilitate your transition to Nelson and/or the school, by putting you in touch with the "Host" for your class(es). We also warmly welcome you to an informal social gathering in the Parent Room following the Rose Ceremony on the first day of school. Tea and conversation! Feel free to call or email me: Paige Adair at (250) 505-2100 or adairpaige@gmail.com.

In addition, an "All School Welcome Celebration" is scheduled for Saturday, September 18th at the school. More details to follow in the next bulletin.

PLEASE BRING - All children must have a pair of indoor shoes kept at School. A change of clothing is also recommended. Each child is assigned a cubby area in which to keep their shoes, lunch, etc. Please ensure your child's lunch kit or daypack does not have graphic designs or logos, etc. on it. Please label all items with your child's name.

SCHOOL BUS SERVICE

We utilize the city bus for transportation to and from downtown each school day. The "Waldorf" bus leaves the bus depot at the corner of Ward & Baker Streets each morning Monday - Friday at 7:50am, arriving at school approx. 8:05am in time for the 8:10 bell. At the end of the school day the bus leaves the school at 2:45pm, arriving downtown at approx. 3:00pm.

Note:

- ◆ **There is no after school bus service for Classes 1-5 dismissal at 12:30 on Fridays.**
- ◆ **There is a bus for Classes 6-8 at 2:45 dismissal on Fridays.**

Student bus passes will be available for sale from the Main School Office by September 2nd. The cost of a bus pass is \$31.00 a month. A monthly pass allows the bearer that month's use on **all** Nelson City busses any time of the day & weekends. Purchasing a student bus pass is a definite savings if your children rides the bus regularly. For less frequent riders, Punch passes are also available for \$29.00. We do have a minimum number of monthly passes that we must purchase from the city in order to sustain service to our school so **please purchase your passes through the school rather than the city.**

A regular student one time fare for riding the bus is \$1.50 per ride. **However, if we have more riders than the bus can carry, we can only assure rides for bus pass holders.**

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO TAPING AT THE NWS

We recognize the need and desire among ourselves to record that "special moment" so we can remember it in future years. Yet, we also acknowledge the potential distraction that picture-taking and video taping pose for others, including the children who are most often the focus of this attention. As we enter a new school year, we ask that you please observe the following guidelines regarding photography and video taping of school events.

Indoor Ceremonies, Performances and Festivals - A designated school photographer (and, if requested, a video taper) will be used to record these indoor events. Photographs (and DVDs, if video taping was pre-arranged) will then be available to parents for purchase at a nominal fee. Due to the solemnity and brevity of the Rose Ceremony, only photography will be used. Please note: The Advent Spiral is a non-photographed/videotaped festival.

Class Plays - Photography will be allowed during dress rehearsals by a designated photographer and/or individual parents, as was previously the practice at the school. Official photographs will be available to parents for purchase at a nominal fee. A designated video taper can be arranged to record actual Class Play performances.

As a result of these guidelines, parents will be expected to refrain from personal photography and video taping during these indoor school events.

Thank you

NWS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Nelson Waldorf School Bookkeeper Contract

As was published in the spring of this year due to a restructuring and budget restraint, the Bookkeeper position has been changed from an employee position to a contract position. Andromeda Drake (former bookkeeper) did not accept the contract and we are currently advertising this contract position (please see advertisement below). An interim bookkeeper is in place temporarily until the contractor is hired.

The Hiring Committee is made up of appointed members of the NWS Finance Committee. It has been agreed that James Loepky, John Leishman and Natasha Kraus will be the Hiring Committee for this contract. As is the School practice hiring committees make their recommendations for hiring to the Faculty and Board of Directors. If you have any questions, please contact me. *Beverley Barcham, Administrator*



A bouquet of appreciation to Andromeda Drake for the work she brought to our School during the past five years. We wish Andromeda all the best as her journeys and paths continue.

- ◆ **CONTRACT BOOKKEEPER** - Duties and responsibilities to include accounts receivable, accounts payable, benefit program administration, financial reports and payroll disbursement and submissions with Payrole Company. Only Applicants with bookkeeping training/experience will be considered. For more information and submission of interest please email administrator@nelsonwaldorf.org.
- ◆ **HANDWORK ASSISTANTS** - We are seeking Handwork Assistants. These are part-time positions to work with the different grades in the handwork classes, assisting with knitting, crocheting, sewing, etc. Please submit your letter of interest noting your particular skills, to the School Office.
- ◆ **SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS** - We are seeking Substitute Teachers for the new School year. Please submit a letter of interest to the School Office.

VOLUNTEERS FOR HANDWORK

We are seeking Handwork Assistant volunteers. If you are interested, please contact the School Office with your name and particular skills you prefer to work with.

**Join the
Waldorf Community Choir!**

We are a choir made up of parents, teachers, staff, alumni & friends. We have been running for four years & we love singing together! We welcome new members at this time of year & again after Christmas. If you love to sing, please join us! The choir is directed by the school music teacher, Bree Switzer. Please email her @breeswitzer@gmail.com to register or for more info. (If you Really want to, but too nervous, she can help with that) See also: www.breeswitzer.com



**Sing With My Child
A Singing Workshop for Parents**

In this workshop we will learn to sing lullabies & many styles of children's songs. The course will be playful & fun, with no pressure at all to be a "good singer." The point is that you gain confidence & comfort in singing with and to your child. No singing experience necessary.

Time and Place:
Sep 21st to Nov 2nd
in the NWS Music Room.

"Bree's enthusiasm, clear direction and sense of humour affected our whole group, which had the effect of creating a truly harmonious experience and sound. It was really satisfying." – Participant

**CAFÉ' CORMIER - HOT LUNCH PROGRAM
For 2010/2011 School Year**

Dear Parents

Café Cormier Hot Lunch program begins next Tuesday, September 14th. Pizza will be served on Tuesdays and Hot dogs/Tofu dogs or Smokies will be served on Thursdays.

Each meal will include fruit or veggie and juice. As in the past each meal will be \$3.00. Extra portions will be an additional \$2.00. The family rate for 2 full meals at \$5.00 and 3 full meals at \$7.00 will again be an option. Ordering a number of meals in advance is very helpful to me for planning and preparation and to limit confusion. I will be accepting orders up to 10am each morning.

I usually order or prepare extra portions for students to purchase at lunch but I might run out of what they want (ie tofu dogs) so ordering in advance is best so that your child does not miss a meal. If you order in advance and your child is absent and misses a meal, I will credit it and add it on to the existing order.

Last year I provided full subsidies for a number of students. If you would like a full or partial subsidy for your child/ren, please write me a note or call me at 505-5399 to discuss this option.

There is a **Hot Lunch Order Form Link** on the NWS website www.nelsonwaldorf.org where lunch order forms can be downloaded and printed to complete and submit. Alternately, copies are available at the Front Office. Please complete & submit order slips to the Front office no later than 10am on lunch days.

- * **Cash Orders** - **must be** exact change only. Change is not available.
- * **Cheque Orders** - please make chqs payable to Julien Cormier.

Bon Appetit-Julien Cormier

Café Cormier Order Form

<u>SINGLE PRICES</u> 1 meal is \$3.00/Additional Portions are \$2.00 each		<u>TUESDAYS</u> ~ Pizza ~ With veggies & juice Cheese Vegetarian Pepperoni Ham/ Pine	<u>THURSDAYS</u> ~ Hot Dogs ~ With fruit & juice <u>Tick column of choice</u>			<u>Notes to Julien</u>
<u>FAMILY PRICES</u> 2 meals \$5.00 - 3 meals \$7.00		Portions & topping Eg.CheeseX 2	2-BBQ Hot Dogs	1 Tofu Dog	1 Smokie	Advance by number of weeks.
NAME	CLASS					X _____Weeks
1)						
2)						
3)						
CHEQUES PAYABLE TO <u>JULIEN CORMIER</u> (Not the School) Or <u>*EXACT CHANGE ONLY*</u> - Change cannot be given						Total Paid \$



PARENT NEWS

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Published Weekly (Submission deadline is Mondays by 3pm)

Email ~ info@nelsonwaldorf.org or drop off at the School Office.

Note: Ads are space permitting & are on a first received basis. All ads printed are for **one week only**. An ad may run for an additional week only if space permits. To re-submit an ad, allow at least a 2 week interval.

Looking to Buy? – Call James Loeppky, Waldorf parent and School supporter for all your Real Estate needs. Contact James at 250 509-0804 or Valhalla Path Realty 280 Baker St. in Nelson. “Your financial advantage is my first concern”.

House for Sale - Quality built 1 year old 2200sq ft. home in Fairview area of Nelson. House is of concrete construction has 3 bed, in floor heat, on bus route and is a close walk to the lake. Also has additional revenue stream 1bed suite in basement, \$399,000. Call Geraldine 352-3957.

House for Sale - Timber Frame home for sale on very sunny and private 2.75 acres in Sproule Creek. 5 bdr, 5years old, healthy building materials, lazuring throughout the house, asking \$648,000 Gudrun or Axel 250-352-9229

House for Sale - Warm and light hectare of sunny land bisected by a stream with an abundance of mixed forest. 2002 Manufactured Home in great condition, 20x14 Pole barn, Great Veg Garden. Asking Price \$320,000, private sale in good faith. Call Matthew @ 250 358-2317.

Cello for Sale - Lovely older 3/4-size cello for sale. Comes with bow and soft case. Good condition. Asking \$600. Call Paige @ 505-2100.

House Wanted – We are a family from Europe who have just moved to Nelson and are looking for a 2-3 bedroom house in Nelson area. Our Children will be attending the Nelson Waldorf School. Phone: Robert & Heike 250/ 226-0056

Classical Piano Lessons - Classical Piano performer & teacher is now registering piano students for lessons to commence in September 2010 in Nelson.

Daryl Verville began teaching piano at the early age of 12 years and began his advanced piano studies with the great piano pedagogue Ernesto Lejano at the University of Alberta when he was 15 years old. He studied advanced classical piano performance with Dr Lejano for 5 years and performed the Grieg piano concerto with the Edmonton Symphony when he was 18.

Interested students and parents can contact Daryl at (250) 352-7731 or email at dharel.v25@gmail.com

Music Matters - Experienced teacher Alexis More has some openings for any-age students on violin, viola & cello. Contact her regarding lessons in Nelson, Castlegar/Robson or Crescent Valley: morealexis@gmail.com or 250-509-0703.

Townhome for Sale - Unique and charming 3br townhome in Upper Fairview. Main floor features include a living room with window seat, a large kitchen, complete with in-floor heat, laundry, and a private patio. Upstairs, 3 bedrooms and bathroom are accessed via the skylit landing. The front door opens onto a shady courtyard. On the city bus route, Amoroso's Corner is a small, friendly complex with a real sense of neighbourhood. All appliances are included. Offered at \$260,000. For more information visit: http://web.me.com/alan.dodsworth/Site/3_bedroom_townhouse_for_sale_in_Nelson_BC.html
To arrange a viewing, call Alan or Paige at 250 505 2100.