



We acknowledge, respect and honour the First Nations in whose traditional territories the Kootenay Lake School District operates and all Aboriginal people residing within the boundaries of School District #8.

“Anything Can Happen If You Let It”



Adam Robertson Elementary

APRIL NEWS

The spectacular sold out production of Mary Poppins, held at Kootenay River Secondary School Auditorium, is an example of how, “Anything Can Happen If You Let It.”

Our growing theatrical program at ARES included 65 students, our largest group of parent volunteers to date, many new cast members, as well as past students who formed part of the production team.

A big thank you to our exuberant and energetic team who poured their hearts into bringing this musical to life.

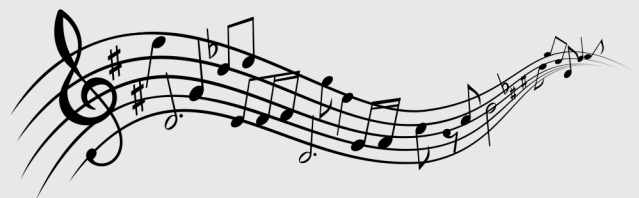
Kyla Hamm is the magic behind this grand production and well-supported by other ARES staff - Blakeny Delcaro, Max Percival, and Lorraine Doeleman - who all worked countless hours to get this production off the ground.

The thematic message in this timeless classic reminds all of us to take the time to value the little things in life and to make sure we find comfort and joy in those we love.



What's New at ARES?

- Mary Poppins
- The Egg Drop
- Focus on Youth Schedule
- Our Learning Fair
- Makey Makey
- PAC Hanging Basket Fundraiser
- DQ Lunch Winners
- Kindergarten Registration
- Important Dates





In the MASTERY domain, failure is viewed as a learning experience. As students develop a more secure self image, they undertake tasks and activities in which they may not be fully or even partially successful, but they come to enjoy the challenge.



The Egg Drop



Mrs. Page and Mr. Blick's class were given one hour to build a contraption for the Egg Drop. The contraption had to be less than 50 cm x 50 cm x 50 cm, not including a parachute.

The whole school gathered on the tarmac to enjoy watching this fun event.

A big thank you to Mr. Winsor and Fortis BC for providing the lift truck.

We are hoping to make this a yearly challenge!





Students with a strong sense of INDEPENDENCE feel in control of themselves, their behavior, and their lives. They have a well-developed sense of autonomy, and accept responsibility for themselves and their actions.



Focus on Youth Performance Schedule

Thank you Mrs. Delcaro, for planning & organizing

Miller, Vigna & Gardner

Performance Date:

Wednesday, May 8 @ 9:15 am

Feragotti & Cote

Performance Date:

Tuesday, May 7 @ 9:15 am

Smith & Vandenberghe

Performance Date:

Wednesday, May 8 @ 9:15 am

Page & Doeleman

Performance Date:

Wednesday, May 8 @ 12:45 pm

Blick

Performance Date:

Monday, May 6 @ 12:45 pm

Candace

Performance Date:

Wednesday, May 8 @ 12:45 pm

Kelly / Ivan

Performance Date:

Monday, May 6 @ 12:45 pm

Percival

Performance Date:

Tuesday, May 7 @ 9:15 am

Hamm

Performance Date:

Tuesday, May 7 @ 12:45 pm

Sonntag / Ivan

Performance Date:

Thursday, May 9 @ 10:45 am



All performances will take place at the Kootenay River Secondary School (KRSS) Auditorium

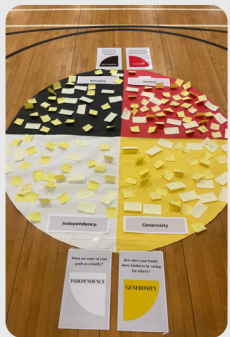




The Circle of Courage value of **MASTERY** emphasizes the continuous process of striving for excellence and growth



Our Learning Fair



We were excited to welcome families into ARES to share in the celebration of success. Our Learning Fair is an opportunity for students to have a voice in communicating their learning to you. What are they proud of? What's going well? What engages them at school? Where do they spend their day? It's your chance to see authentic evidence of your child's learning. Students enjoyed touring their families around the building, exploring our many different learning spaces.

Thanks to everyone who attended and for entering your punch cards in our box at the end of your tour. Our 14 winners - one from each class - will enjoy a lunch at Dairy Queen with Mr. Adams and Mrs. C.

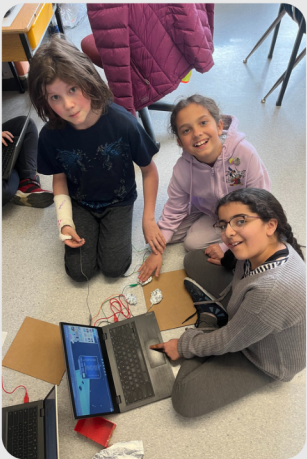
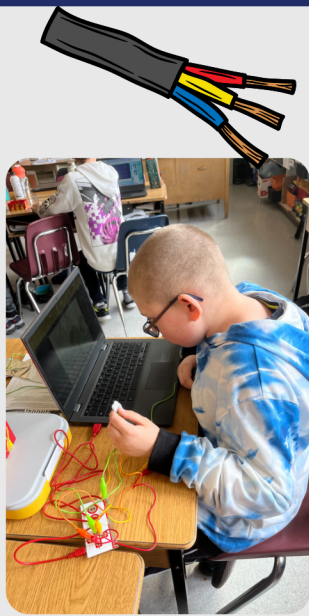
A special thanks to our very busy PAC moms, Dana Roch and Tara Sandoval, who made time to serve coffee, tea and cookies in the gym.

DQ Winners can be found toward the end of the newsletter.



**We had 217 students attend!
That's 68% of our ARES population.**

The four dimensions of the Circle of Courage model are inextricably intertwined, each one responding to and affecting the others and the whole. Reaching out without taking back (GENEROSITY), builds and maintains positive interpersonal relationships (BELONGING), and teaches selfless and socially responsible action (INDEPENDENCE). Others, appreciating the generous actions, invite peers to socially engage with them (BELONGING), while each modelling their talents, knowledge, and wisdom to the others (MASTERY).



Makey Makeys

Our Grade 5/6 students in Mr. Kelly's class participated in a Makey Makeys workshop with our Teacher Librarian, Tracy Walker.

The grade five and six students made simple computer games more complex with the use of Makey Makeys. These devices replace any keyboard using electric conductors and simple circuits. Students can create things from musical instruments to game controllers. Our students created interactive remote controls to play their games.

PAC Hanging Basket Fundraiser



10" Hanging Basket \$30

12" Hanging Basket \$40



Order forms were sent home and **due by May 3rd**
Pick-up at Palmer's Greenhouse on May 18th or 19th

All proceeds to ARES PAC to support our students and learning activities



Children need opportunities to engage in helpful and thoughtful behaviors. When grouped with mixed ages, older students develop and strengthen a helpful inclination. They develop their sense of **GENEROSITY** by being empathetic toward the younger students.



DQ Lunch Winners



The following students will enjoy a visit to Dairy Queen with Mr. Adams & Mrs. C.

Time and date to be arranged with families soon!

Mrs. Miller/Gardner - K:
William Fox

Mrs. Vigna/Gardner - K/1:
Ben Perkin

Mrs. Feragotti - 1
River Smurthwaite

Mrs. Cote 1/2
Mabrey Winsor

Ms. Smith - 2:
Brynn Whitesel

Mrs. Vandenberghe - 2/3
Fletcher Bennetts

Mrs. Page - 3:
Thea McIntyre

Mrs. Doeleman - 3/4
Ellise Valdal

Ms. Candace - 4/5
Lani Tanapima

Mr. Blick - 4/5
Tesla Francis

Mr. Kelly/Mr. Ivan - 5/6
Corvin Palmer

Mr. Percival - 6
Mylee Wall

Ms. Sonntag/Mr. Ivan - 7
McKenna Bulizuk

Mrs. Hamm - 7
Kate Darby

Kindergarten Registration

If you have a child who will be starting Kindergarten in September, registration is now open. Please spread the word to families who do not have older siblings at ARES. See Mrs. Scott, our Office Clerical, to begin the registration process.



IMPORTANT DATES

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- Monday, April 29th – Focus on Youth Rehearsal Week
- Wednesday, May 1st – PAC Hotdog Lunch
- Monday, May 6th – Focus on Youth Performance Week
- Wednesday, May 8th – PAC Meeting – 9:00
- Friday, May 17th – Play Your Way to K – 9:00 – 11:30
- Friday, May 17th – Pow Wow – 9:30 – 2:30
- Monday, May 20th – Victoria Day – No School
- Thursday, May 23rd – PAC Family Dance – 6:00 – 8:00 PM
- Friday, May 24th – Intermediate Track Meet
- Friday, May 24th – Kindergarten / SEY2KT Dig Dirt Day
- Friday, May 27th – School Based Pro-D Day – No School for Students
- Wednesday, May 29th – Welcome to Kindergarten 9:00 – 11:00
- Wednesday, June 12th – PAC Meeting – 9:00
- Thursday, June 20th – Grade 7 Luncheon & Dance 12:00 – 2:30
- Friday, June 21st – National Indigenous Peoples Day
- Monday, June 24th – Kindergarten Graduation – 1:30 – 2:45
- Tuesday, June 25th – Water Day – 12:45 – 2:30
- Wednesday, June 26th – Grade 7 Farewell Assembly at 11:00
- Wednesday, June 26th – Last Day of School. Dismissal at 11:45



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ARES Goal

To actively incorporate the Circle of Courage philosophy and the four universal needs of all children (Belonging, Independence, Generosity, & Mastery) into our school-wide culture.