



September

In Latin, *septem* means seven and *septimus* means seventh; September was in fact the seventh month of the Roman Calendar until 153 BC, when the first month changed from Kalendas Martius (1 March) to Kalendas Januarius (1 January). It is also the seventh month of the Astrological calendar, which begins with March/Mars/Aries.

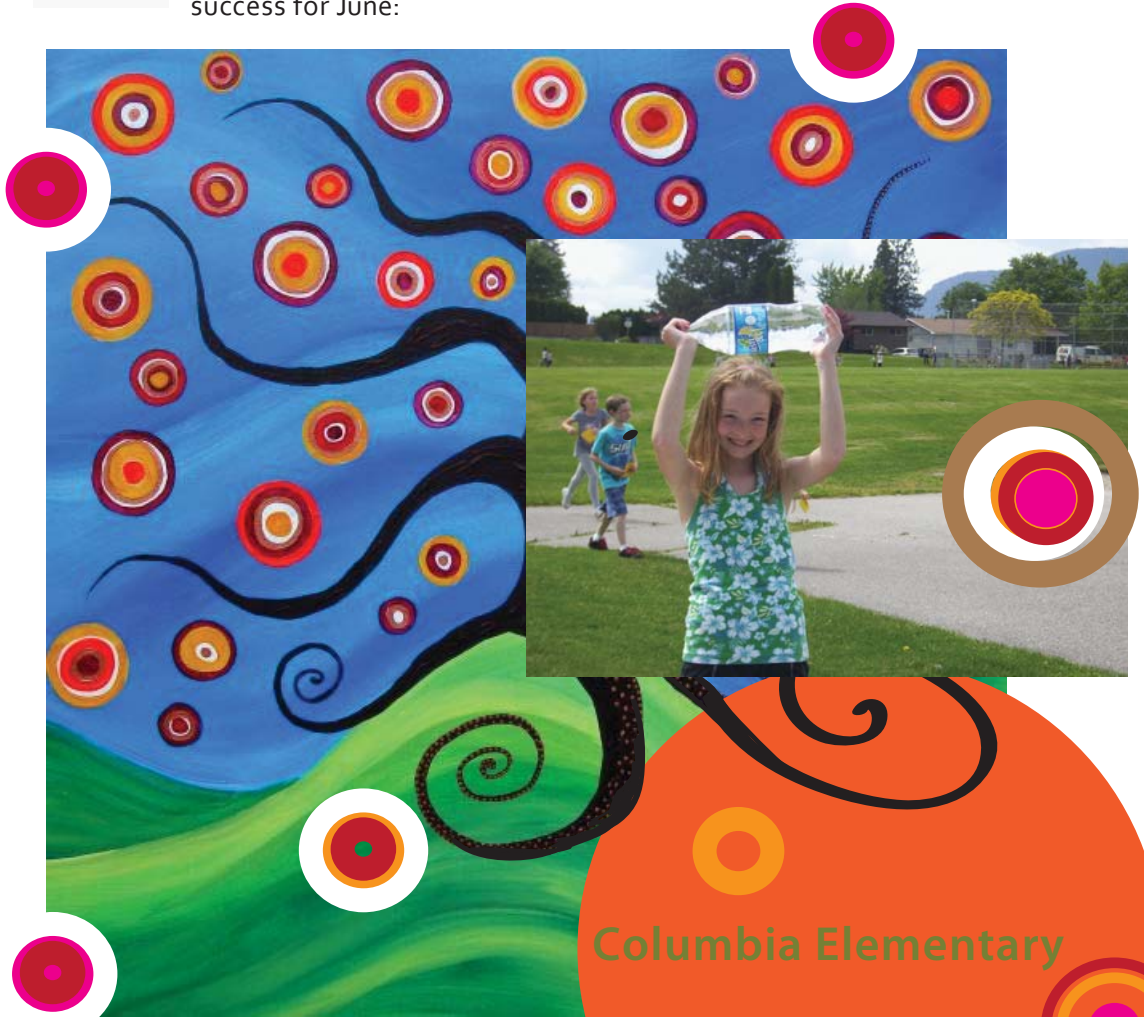


For the September 12, 2011 Board of Education Meeting



Recognition of Student/School Success

School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha) extends congratulations to the following students/groups for these outstanding examples of success for June:



Columbia Elementary

Columbia Elementary's annual Run-a-thon was held at the beginning of June. Students were encouraged to walk, jog, or run in memory of Mr. Rob McIntosh, who had been a principal of the school from 2005 until 2007. Much of the money raised will be put towards the scholarship that was established after Mr. McIntosh's passing. Some funds also went towards Columbia's water projects, and many students carried water jugs with them to experience firsthand the lengths some people must go to in order to secure safe water for themselves.

SUCCESS STORIES



Naramata Elementary

On June 25 - The Naramata staff, students and parents were honored to be a part of an Oscar Lopez Concert! A big thank you to Oscar for so graciously sharing his musical talents. Everyone is so pleased that he has donated a portion of the proceeds to the PAC group towards the natural play area that is in the planning stages. The 300 plus audience were wowed by his skill and passion. Naramata Elementary welcomes Oscar, his wife Kathi, and their son Niki to Kindergarten and to the school community.



Parkway Elementary



- o A great assembly was held and the presentation on Sportsmanship by Mrs. Dech's class was excellent as well as Mrs. Kings' class rap.
- o The two grade 5 classes both had their final family life sessions with Mrs. Kro.
- o The breakfast club met twice and the meals were great, so was the turn out. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers!
- o A super last PAC meeting of the year was held with a new executive being elected.
- o A number of classes visited the Safety Village and the weather was good enough to cooperate! The students all had a great time!
- o Three school wide runs took place and lots of House team points were handed out!



SUCCESS STORIES



Princess Margaret Secondary



Four Princess Margaret Secondary students were awarded Provincial Scholarships. **Bobby Atkinson**, **Erik Bakkeren**, and **Jordan Heinrichs** were each awarded \$1,000 scholarships, and **Sahil Sidhu** received a scholarship of \$2,500. Sahil was one of only 20 students in the province awarded this higher amount. He had exam scores of 100% in Math and Physics 12 and 98% in Chemistry and English 12.



Uplands Elementary

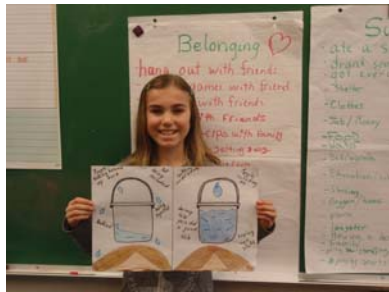
School Sports:



- Cross Country Running - outstanding performance by Uplands students at both the West Bench and Kaleden Runs
- Mini Basketball - for grades 3 and 4 students with Mr. Scotchburn
- Track and Field - rained out, but Uplands' spirit prevailed

Grade 5 Playground Leadership Workshop (with Action Schools):

An excellent workshop was held to teach students about leading playground activities and grade 5 students are now leading younger students in doing the activities.



Restorative Practices

Safety Village Fieldtrips

Inquiry Celebration on May 31st - Excellent display of Uplands' inquiries



Restorative Practices Activities and Presentation

Div. 2 Grade 5 students created a mini-movie involving some of the Restorative Practices and SMARTLearning activities they have been doing. Restorative Practices promotes the understanding of behaviour, taking responsibility and making it "right".



SUCCESS STORIES



Uplands Elementary, continued...

Children's Festival - fun for everyone

Farmer John's fieldtrip for Kindergarten - on June 3rd

NED Show (June 2nd) - Very inspirational
(N - Never Give Up, E- Encourage Others,
D - Do your Best)

Kite Day - (June 3rd) - Informative and fun

Uplands PAC Barbecue

Grade 5 Guitar Performance and Farewell Ceremony

