

UNBC School of Education Terrace Campus Newsletter March 2018

Fun times at the UNBC Sponsored Free Family Public Skate

2018 UNBC Sponsored Free Public Skate

On February 25th, UNBC sponsored its first free family public skate from 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm at the Terrace Sportsplex ice rink. This was a community appreciation event and UNBC provided free rental skates, hot chocolate and door prizes. A sizeable crowd attended – thank you to all the people who joined us!

Green Fund Proposal: Garden Tower Project 2

Marian Kotowich-Laval has come up with a Green Fund proposal in which three Garden Tower Project 2's would be purchased for the Terrace campus. The Garden Towers fit into UNBC's Green Strategy quite nicely as they incorporate air purification, oxygen production, and vermiculturecomposting.

Marian's goal is to fill all three Towers with low-maintenance, allergen friendly plants, like Aloe Vera and Snake Plants. Each Tower stands shoulder height and fills the same space as a person standing. Each Tower would be placed in a different location around campus where they would remove pollutants from the air, such as formaldehyde, trichloroethylene, benzene and xylene, to name a few, while also producing clean oxygen. In addition to this, in the middle of each Tower there is a chute for vermicomposting, which uses Red Wriggler worms to consume food waste, turning it into nutrient-rich fertilizer. This in turn feeds the plants on the outside of the Tower, as seen below:



Any questions or letters of support can be directed to Marian at Marian.Kotowich-Laval@unbc.ca.

Come Join Us On Campus!

<u>February 19 – March 9</u> EDUC 391 Practicum

<u>March 12 – 16</u> Mid-Semester Break, NW B.Ed. Students Only



<u>March 28</u> Public Presentation: Matthew Beedle "Glaciers, Streams and Salmon: Will Climate Change Leave the Kitsumkalum River High and Dry?" 12:00 – 1:00 pm Room 103

> <u>March 30</u> Good Friday, University Closed

> <u>April 2</u> Easter Monday, University Closed



- "I am having a great time in my practicum. The staff have been welcoming and helpful. My teacher coach has been a wealth of information and encouragement."
- "The Bachelor of Education is an excellent choice in my Career change! My practicum experience in a local classroom has been very rewarding. Thank you."
- "I've been having a wonderful time. It has been really eye opening now that I find myself completely submerged in the classroom. There are so many new things to consider!"
- "It is so nice to finally be in the classroom. Things happen fast in practicum and you learn very quickly from the students. It also makes a world of a difference to have an attentive coaching teacher that is eager to help you succeed."
- "My practicum has been a wonderful and amazing experience so far, I don't want it to end! Being a part of an outdoor kindergarten class is a rare opportunity, and I'm absorbing every minute of it!"

"The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you." -B.B. King



<u>Linda's Links:</u>

http://www.thesecretlifeofcanada.com/

This is a history podcast that aims to explore the people, places and stories that rarely, if ever get discussed when we talk about Canada. It was created during the Canada 150 celebrations and is said to be "the untold and under told histories of Canada told in an entertaining, subversive, and concise way". As teachers we can get ideas from many different sources. This may be one of them.

https://www.edutopia.org/

Go to "search" and type in Setting Up Effective Group Work. You will find some tips and tools in this article that may be helpful.