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## Huu-ay-aht First Nations Foster Family Newsletter

December

# From our Nation to your home, we wish you a Merry Christmas.

A message from the Children and Family Services Coordinator for Huu-ay-aht First Nations.

?uukłaama (Ook-tlah-mah -my name is) Julie and I am looking forward to getting to know you all. My passion is rooted in building/enhancing healthy families and working with their inner strengths.

Together we can work towards our children being well rooted in their culture - something all children have a right to.

Please call me at 250 723 0100 x240 to talk about any questions you may have in terms of how we can help support the children in your care.

Julie Miller-Rushton

Huu-ay-aht has booked a Winter Wonderland Skate for all citizens!

Monday, December 22

12:30-1:30

Port Alberni

Bring a dish or snack to share!

#### **Huu-ay-aht Culture Nights**

We are starting Huu-ay-aht Culture Monday nights at the Friendship Center. These nights are intended for all citizens and foster families. We will explore Huu-ay-aht culture and each night will have a different focus. These evenings are a wonderful opportunity for children to build relationships with all those who care for them. January 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 pm at the Port Alberni Friendship Center.

Would you like a home visit to learn more about our culture? Let us know if you would find this helpful! Call anytime to set up a date or ask questions you may have.

## **Sharing Circle**

Tuesday, January 6th, 7 pm. Barclay Hotel

Please come share your stories and thoughts on how we can improve the services Usma provides to our Nation. Please join Julie for an evening of conversation and sharing. Call 250 723 0100 to let us know you are coming.

Our goal is for each child within our Nation to have a rooted connection with our culture.

Please take some time to watch the amazing videos about our Huu-ay-aht culture on our <u>YouTube</u> channel (Search for **Huu-ay-aht Communications** or follow the link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1EeI3nRDzl4rS58xZZ m-A