



**Parkland Elementary School**  
**September 2019 Newsletter**  
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Parkland Staff

Kristy Rose: Principal/Grade 3-4-5 teacher/Coach Mentor/Prep  
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Kim Strasky: Secretary and Bookkeeper  
Kori Caldwell: Education Assistant & lunch supervision  
Carolyn Derfler: StrongStart Educator  
Mike Kroonen: Custodian  
Jason Locay: Computer Tech

Student Attendance

We strive to keep track of all students daily attendance for safety reasons. We ask parents to please let us know when their student(s) will be away or late. We have several methods for parents to use for this:

1. Put a note in your child's daily planner
2. Call the school during Secretary hours or at recess and lunch
- 3.. Email: [parkland@sd59.bc.ca](mailto:parkland@sd59.bc.ca)
4. Leave a message on our school phone line 250 843 7777. It will be checked between 8- 8:15 am and at 1:45 pm daily.

Terry Fox Run

Our annual run will be on Sept 20th from 1 - 2 pm. We encourage any parents who can to come and join us as we walk and run down Parkland Road. We ask parents to send a toonie for each student at our school (or more if you are able). Thanks for your support of our annual run!

Student Photos

Lifetouch will be here on Thursday, October 3rd at 8 :15 am to do student and class pictures. Please mark the date.

Hot Lunch Program

We are going to be going to an online ordering system for our lunch program. Parents will be able to go online and order their children's food for one month ahead of time. We are still setting this up and for that reason there will not be any hot lunch until October. Once we get it going we will send info home on how it works and what options you will have. Thanks for your patience.

Student Lunches from home

K-1-2 Room: there will be no microwave and no heating of lunch items.

3-5 Room: microwave will be on assigned days for each student.

6-7 Room: microwave will be on assigned days for each student.

Please see your child's planner for dates.

SD 59 Website

There is a complete year calendar showing the holidays and NIDs for this year on the SD 59 website. You can also get bus alerts and StrongStart daily information on the site. The main page has 2 buttons at the top left. One for busses and one for StrongStart. If they are flashing red - there are changes to be aware of. Click the button to see the changes.

Daily Planners

All students have been given a daily planner. These books will provide home and school communication. Students will write the dates of important activities in this book and will notify you of things such as homework. Please make sure these books are returned to school everyday and start the habit of looking at the planner with your child each evening. Thanks for your help with this organization habit for the students.

REMEMBER TO DO:

- send in money for t-shirts (\$5 each), and school fees (primary \$30 & intermediates \$35). You can add it all up and put on one cheque or send cash or use e-transfer by September 28th.
- Send in toonies for Terry Fox Run by September 20th.

Important Dates to Note

- Meet & Greet: Sept 20th from 8 - 9 am
- Terry Fox Run : Sept 20th from 1 - 2 pm
- School Pictures: October 3rd at 8:15 am
- Sept. 13 Edmonton Oil Kings hockey players here 9 - 11 am

School Fees

Grade K-1-2-3 students fee: \$30

Grade 4-5-6-7 students fee: \$35

Please send cash or cheque or e-transfer by September 28th. This fee will cover all the needed supplies for students. All students need to bring shoes to wear inside the school and the intermediates need gym strip and a cloth bag to put their gym strip in. We are asking families to send 1 box of kleenex. Thank you!

Our school times have been adjusted slightly to allow more time in the mornings for students to arrive and have a snack. Students will now be allowed to eat outside. Please see the Parkland Handbook for detailed information.

Meet and Greet

On Friday, Sept 20th from 8-9 am you will have a chance to come in and say hi to your child's teacher(s). Families are encouraged to come in and look around the school and visit the classrooms. Coffee and muffins will be provided.

StrongStart

Our Strong Start program is up and running. Mrs. Carolyn Derfler is the Educator for our program. This is a free drop in program for parent and children ages 0 to 5 years. The format is parent and child together. The program is on Tuesday's and Thursday's from 9:00 am to noon.

Inside Shoes

For safety and cleanliness reasons all student must have clean indoor shoes that are appropriate for daily PE. All students need to be able to take off and put on their shoes independently. Loose laces are not allowed. If your child cannot tie laces yet, please send them with velcro or spring laces.

Parkland Website

We have our own website where we have current events for the month, general info on staff and school hours, PAC info and minutes, copies of all our newsletters and more. Please bookmark our site so that you can quickly catch up on anything you missed or have forgotten. [Http://parkland.sd59.bc.ca/](http://parkland.sd59.bc.ca/)

**A REMINDER TO PARENTS TO PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME (or at least initials!) ON ALL OF THEIR CLOTHING, BACKPACK AND LUNCH KIT AS WELL AS SHOES AND BOOTS. THIS WILL SAVE A LOT OF CONFUSION AND UPSET, ESPECIALLY FOR THE PRIMARY STUDENTS! THANKS!!**

School T-Shirts

This year's order for our red Parkland School t-shirts will be made soon. We use these for field trips, sports events and gym. T-shirts are partially being paid for by the PAC. The cost for families will be \$5 per shirt and it is requested that each student have one. Returning students may use last year's shirt if they like. New students and others, who would like a new shirt, please send the fee and size requested by Tuesday, September 26th. The order form will be with the package of forms coming home next first week.

Grades K -4's are expected to have their inside shoes for gym. Grades 5 -7's are expected to have shorts, inside shoes and their t-shirts for gym.