



PARKLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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January 2023

Important Dates

Jan 3rd – First day back
Jan 11th – PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm
Feb 3rd – NID (No school)
Feb 20th – Family Day (No School)

Spirit Days

Jan 6th – Jersey Day
Jan 13th – Crazy Sock Day
Jan 20th – Twin Day
Jan 27th – Opposite Gender Day

Hot lunch

Munchalunch will be open for ordering January 4th to January 17th. We are going to try out Chopped Leaf. This session will be from January 24th to March 10th.

We are in need of parent volunteers to cook hotdogs on Fridays. Please let Mrs. Burres know if you can help out.

We're also looking for parents with their Food Safe certificates to be able to serve hot lunch to the students. I.e. hotdogs, special lunches.

Just a reminder, that if the busses aren't running on a hot lunch day, hot lunch will not be served. If you drop your child off at school, please make sure to send them with a lunch. If your child is absent on hotdog day, we will credit your Munchalunch account for the hotdog.

Strongstart

Our StrongStart program is running. Mrs Carolyn Derfler is the Educator for the program at our school. This is a free drop-in parent and child time for children from 0 – 5 years. The program is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to noon.

Parkland PAC News

All parents with students at Parkland are invited and welcome to attend Parent Advisory Council meetings. The next PAC meeting is scheduled for **January 11th at 6:30pm.**

Just a reminder...

Microwaves are not available for student use.

School Fees & Permission Forms

Grade K-1-2-3 students fee: \$30
Grade 4-5-6-7 students fee: \$40
If you haven't already, please send cash, cheque or e-transfer to Mrs. Burres and she will issue a receipt. **Fees were due October 26th.** This fee will cover all the needed supplies for students.

Winter Weather Gear

A reminder that winter is upon us and can get quite chilly. Please send your children with the appropriate attire as they go outside each day for recess and lunch.

Inside days

From time to time the weather may require us to have inside days. Generally, we will call inside days when the temperature is below -20, including wind chill temperatures. On these days, students still need to be prepared with appropriate winter wear.

SD59 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.

Office Hours

Mrs. Burres will be available in the office on Tuesdays from 8am to 12pm and Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8am to 2pm. Any other day please leave a message for us on the answering machine. The main front door will be open this year. However, in an effort to maintain security of our students and staff it will be locked on days when there is no office staff to monitor who is entering the building. All day Monday and Tuesday afternoons, you will need to ring the doorbell for access to the building.

New Paint and Windows

Our school is getting new windows put in and new paint for our doors! We are practicing being mindful of crews working in our school. Watch for ladders and wet paint!

Non Bus Days

You can find information on the school's website <https://www.sd59.bc.ca/> on busing information to know if they're running or not. You can also create an account to get bus notifications via email or text. The school bus information line is 250-782-1061.

Bus Notes

If your child is not riding the bus home at the end of the day, it is important to send a note, call the school (leave a message) and call the bus garage to notify the bus drivers about any changes. **This includes letting us know if someone other than a parent is picking up your child.** The school bus garage number is 250-782-2106. **Students who do not have notes from parents indicating a change will be sent home on their regular bus.**

Student Attendance

We strive to keep track of all student's 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 agenda
2. Call the school during Secretary hours or at recess and lunch
3. Email: 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 1:30 pm daily.

KINDERGARTEN

WILL YOUR CHILD BE 5 BY DECEMBER 31?

REGISTER AT THE SCHOOL IN YOUR CATCHMENT AREA

Parents unsure about their catchment area can refer to the [interactive catchment area map](#) or call the school board office at 250-782-8571 for clarification

**REGISTER EARLY.
BRING YOUR CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE**

SOME SCHOOLS MAY SCHEDULE REGISTRATION ON SPECIFIC DAYS OR TIMES. PLEASE CALL AHEAD

YOUR CHILD WILL BE INVITED TO A

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN FAMILY ORIENTATION

School District 59 is a progressive district dedicated to educating the whole child focusing on physical, social/emotional and intellectual growth and development. SD59 offers high quality kindergarten programs providing a strong foundation upon which children can build the skills, knowledge and attitudes necessary for lifelong learning.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8	2 STAT (No School)	3 School Reopens Edo	4	5	6 Hot dogs Jersey Day	7
15	16	17 Edo Japan	11 PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm	12 *No music club	13 Hot dogs Crazy Sock Day	14
22	23	24 Chopped Leaf	18	19	20 Hot dogs Twin Day	21
29	30	31 Panago	25	26	27 Hot dogs Opposite Gender Day	28