



PARKLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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January 2024

Important Dates

Jan 8th – First Day Back

Jan 17th – PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm

Feb 2nd – NID Day

Learning Assessments

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's assessment, please contact their teacher after Christmas Break.

Hot lunch

This session will be from January 9th to March 15th.

We are looking for parent volunteers to help with hot lunch. Please let Ms. Phair know if you can help out.

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

Winter Weather Gear

Reminder - Winter is upon us and can get chilly. Please send your children with appropriate attire as they go outside for recess and lunch break.

Inside days

The weather may require us to have inside days, occasionally. Typically, we will call an inside day when the temperature is below -20, including wind chill temperatures. These days, students still need to be prepared with appropriate winter wear.

Strongstart

Mrs. Carolyn Derfler is the Educator for our Strongstart program. 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.

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.

Parkland PAC NEWS

Congratulations to Heather Malcom, on winning \$1725 from the 50/50 draw. \$3450 was raised.

Thank you everyone!

All parents of students at Parkland are invited to attend Parent Advisory Council meetings.

The next PAC meeting is **January 17th at 6:30 pm. See you there!**

Office Hours

Ms. Phair will be in the office on Wednesday from 8 am to 12 pm, Tuesday, and Thursday from 8 am to 2 pm.

To maintain the security of staff and students the door will be locked when there is no office staff. Please ring the doorbell for access to the building.

Basketball

Practices will resume January 8th. Schedules for games will be going home in the new year. Games will be on Wednesdays.

January Quote

“Let us remember: One book, one pen, one child, and one teacher can change the world.”

– Malala Yousafzai

Student Attendance

We strive to keep track of our 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 or lunch
3. Email: parkland@sd59.bc.ca
4. Leave a message at 250-843-7777. It's checked at 8:15 am and at 1:30 pm daily.

Non Bus Days

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

Bus Notes

If your child is not riding the bus home at the end of the day, please send a note, call the school (leave a message), or call the bus garage to notify the bus drivers about any changes. **Please let 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.

Just a reminder...

Microwaves are not available for student use.



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.

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Sunday	Monday 1 – New Year Day	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3	Thursday 4	Friday 5	Saturday 6
		Christmas Break				
7	8 – School Reopens - Basketball Practice	9 – Panago	10 – Basketball Practice	11	12 – Hot Dogs	13
14	15 – Basketball Practice	16 -Edo	17 - Basketball Practice - PAC Meeting @ 6:30	18	19 – Hot Dogs	20
21	22 – Basketball Practice	23 - Panago	24 – Basketball Practice	25	26 – Hot Dogs	27
28	29 – Basketball Practice	30 - Edo	31 – Basketball Practice			