
Peterson Road Elementary School

'To Create Hope and Learning for All'

Newsletter

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Important Dates to Remember

May 20	**Victoria Day- no school
May 27	Kindergarten orientation
June 10	Intermediate Track Meet
June 14	Sports Day
June 17-21	Gr. 5 swim program
June 19 - 21	Gr. 7 camp
June 25	Gr. 7 farewell night
June 27	Final Day for students



Peterson Road Track and Field 'Run-offs'

The district track meet is coming up fast, before we know it, it will be June 10th. Students who qualify as a result of our school 'run-off' day will represent Peterson Road. Intermediates will run-off against each other on Friday, May 24th starting just after 9:00 am. This is a very busy morning, and we will require some additional support. If you can lend us a hand on that day, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office to notify us that you will be able to help out during this very active morning.

Family Fun Night:

Thank you so much to all of those who supported our Family Fun Night; it was a massive success. A BIG thank-you needs to go out to our PAC and all of the parent and student volunteers who worked tirelessly to put on this amazing event. If the smiles were any indication, the students truly enjoyed themselves. If someone accidentally dropped some money at this event please contact fundraiser@petersonroadpac.com.

Dressing Code Reminder

Schools are a place of business. Therefore the school's expectation regarding student dress is for students to dress appropriately for a business atmosphere. Short shorts, spaghetti straps, muscle shirts, halter-tops and beachwear are discouraged. There are also many T-shirts that have messages which are not appropriate for display in public (i.e. suggestive language or advertisements for alcohol & drugs). Underwear of any kind should not be visible.

School Supplies

For this upcoming 2013-2014 school year, school supplies, for students in grades 1-3 have been ordered through the school. We have been able to secure bulk pricing which has allowed us to keep costs competitive.

Gr. 1 supplies = \$32

Gr. 2 supplies = \$42

Gr. 3 supplies = \$42

Please keep a look out for a notice that will be coming home soon that will provide information on how to purchase these supplies. Supply lists for students in grades 4-7 will be provided inside the year-end report card.

Get a jump on September:

The Langley School District is offering, free of charge, summer learning sessions. Students who are looking to enhance their literacy, numeracy, or science skills are encouraged to register for the classes offered here at Peterson Road. The program kicks off on July 8th and runs for 3 weeks. This is an excellent opportunity to build upon what was taught this year, or get an advance look at skills and concepts that will be taught during the next school year. Students can register online at sd35.coresolutions.ca or visit sd35summersession.ca for more information.



Teaching Tips:

Tip # 3 from - 10 Tips to Help Your Child Become a Better Writer

Read first, then write. As Stephen King writes in his book, **On Writing**, "If you don't have time to read, you don't have the time (or the tools) to write. Simple as that." All the great authors of our time were also voracious readers. In order to write well, your child must first read, and read everything -- from blogs and newspapers, to poetry and great works of literature. And no -- tweets and texts don't count.

Cyber Safe. This collection of short videos, hosted by computer guru Steve Dotto, demonstrates how kids use the Internet and explains the responsibilities of being an effective parent in the digital age.

<http://www.learnnowbc.ca/lncresources/cybersafe/default.aspx>

Planning Ahead:

In an effort to effectively plan ahead for next school year, we are looking to finalize our numbers. If you know that your child will not be attending Peterson Road next year, or are planning on moving over the summer, please let our office know of your plans. This information will allow

us to properly plan classes. Thank you for your help.



Class Placements:

It is that time of year when the office begins to receive requests for class placements. Though requests are considered, there are no guarantees regarding your child's placement. We rely on our staff to make sound decisions based on what they see as a good fit for our students. Please see the attached notice regarding additional information on class placements. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office.

Sports Day:

Sports Day will be held on **June 14th**. Once again students will be divided into "family groupings" which means students from all grades will comprise one of four teams. Sports Day is an all day event. The first portion of the day takes place between recess and lunch, and is followed by grade relays, tug-o-war, and egg toss. Watch for more info to follow.



Hot Lunch Day

Please note that the June 14 Hot Lunch from the Lunch Lady has been changed to **June 7**. The PAC will be providing a lunch for every student on June 14.

**Happy Victoria Day –
enjoy the long weekend!**