
Peterson Road Elementary School

'To Create Hope and Learning for All'

Newsletter

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Important Dates to Remember

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

Teaching Tips:

- 1) **Ask your child to read their writing aloud without interruption.**

Many young writers think while they are reading aloud. They think about new sentences, new words, corrections, and flow. It is a significant part of the developmental process.

- 2) **Be encouraging.**

What matters most in young writers are the words, sentences, and ideas. Simply identify three strengths in the writing and point them out. Be specific, and encourage immediately after it has been read to you.

You can find more tips in Samantha Parent's, *'10 Tips to Help Your Child Become a Better Writer'*

Tech Talk:

Thanks to the generous support of the **Peterson Road PAC**, the school's iPads and Apple TV's are now being used throughout the school.

Watching the excitement and creativity exhibited by our students and staff is something special. At Peterson Road, we realize that technology is not the answer to everything, but it is a tremendous vehicle to extend our learning, and provides a new canvas for students to illustrate their learning. Please continue to talk at home about online responsibilities and the importance of being respectful to the equipment. Thank you for support.

If you are looking for a great app to help with math try: **my script calculator** – this is a great tool to help check for accuracy and understanding.

Track and Field:

Our district track meet is fast approaching. The meet takes place **June 10th at Mcleod Park**. A notice will be coming home on Monday with information about the meet and a permission form that will need to be returned ASAP. Please keep a look out for this form. June 10th is a typical school day, students not participating in the meet **are expected to attend class.**

As this is a busy day, we are also looking for **3 parent volunteers** to help out with the students during the meet. There will be staff present, but the additional support is needed to ensure the students arrive at their event on time. If you are willing to help out on June 10th, please inform **Mrs. Taylor** in the office. Thanks in advance for your support.

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.

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. If you have a concern regarding your child's placement, please send it via email to nerker@sd35.bc.ca. Again, this does not guarantee a class placement, however, we will do our best to ensure a sound academic and social environment.

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.

Thank You:

I would like to thank all the parent helpers who volunteered their time to supporting and helping facilitate the school track and field run-offs. It was a full and busy morning, and Peterson Road truly appreciates your help with this and many other events. Thank you!!

School Supplies

For this upcoming 2013-2014 school year, school supplies, for students in grades 1-3 have been ordered through the school. We are sending the order form home today for these supplies. **Please return it with your child by June 14.** Thank you.

Sports Day:

Sports Day is 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.

Strawberry Patch Children's Centre @ Peterson Road - Come see what's happening at the Patch! We are now offering daycare right here at Peterson Road. We have a second room in the school to offer this service. Our hours are: Monday – Friday from 7:00 – 5:30. The day does have a "preschool like" component to the program. We are busy playing, doing art, circle time, outside time, snacks and lunch, along with a bit of quiet time in the afternoon and then again more play time! We accept children ages 2-1/2 – 5yrs. Our Preschool program is still operating in the same classroom by the Kindergarten room. We have spaces available in our 3 yr old and 4 yr old programs for the Fall 2013.

We also offer Before and After school care for those children attending Peterson Road. We are open from 7:00 – 5:30 daily. Pro-D days, Christmas and Spring break are also available. Spaces are very limited at this time. Ages 5 (kindergarten) – 12. If you require care during the summer, please call ASAP, as spaces are filling up quickly. For Daycare information call 604-533-4547. For Preschool or Before and After School care call 604-514-3150.

Aldergrove Minor Hockey is hosting an open house Thurs. June 6th from 6pm - 9pm for new registrants, in the meeting room of the Aldergrove Arena. See our website www.aldergroveminhockey.com for fees and documents required. Come enjoy some donuts and coffee and have your questions answered.

Uke Camp 2013!!! Are you looking for a fun musical experience for your child(ren)? The seventh annual Ukulele Summer Camp is a terrific opportunity for students to learn how to play a musical instrument and have fun at the same time. The summer classes will be taught by Jamie Thomas of Belmont School and instructors from the Langley Ukulele Ensemble. Thanks to generous contributions by the City and Township of Langley, registration is \$75.00; however, **if you register your child by June 30th, early-bird registration is only \$60.00!** Please call 778-840-8537 or email ukesinfo@langleyukes.com for more information.

For every party held by a P.R. student at **Limegirl (spa parties)** \$25 will be donated to our school. Check out www.limegirl.ca for full party details.