
Peterson Road Elementary School

'To Create Hope and Learning for All'

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Newsletter



September 26, 2014

Important Dates to Remember

October 13 - Thanksgiving Day



Dear Parents:

Welcome Back

It has been wonderful to see all the smiling faces walking through the halls this week. Not only are the students excited about being back at Peterson Road, but the staff is raring to go as well. The school is already buzzing with activity and the student learning has begun. I would also like to welcome all the kindergarten students who are enjoying their first week of school. It has been great getting to see you walk our halls.

As school start up is a little different than in previous years, important dates and activities will be upon us in no time. Please be sure to look for important notices in your child's agenda (once they have been distributed), follow us on twitter (@petersonprowl), and keep up to date by routinely checking our school website (www.petersonroad.ca).

We look forward to an amazing year of learning with your children.

Panther Pride:

Show your Panther Pride by purchasing your very own Panther T-shirt. Your Panther T-shirts can be

purchased from the office for \$15. We have all sizes, from youth small to adult small. Lets fill the halls with blue and white - get yours today!!!

School Supplies:

Primary school supplies have been ordered and are available to your children. However, supplies will not be provided in full until payment is received. Please be sure to purchase your supplies by providing payment to our office. If you are unable to pay at this time, please contact the school and we can talk about possible solutions.

Agendas:

Agendas will be distributed by next week. The \$7.00 cost was factored into the cost of the primary school supplies. However, there will be a \$7.00 charge for intermediate students. Please provide payment to your classroom teacher.

Student Service Opportunities:

Lunch Monitors: Grade 6 and 7 - If you are interested, please sign up at the office.

Equipment Sign-out: Grade 5, 6, 7 - We need students to take charge of the PE equipment room during lunchtime to help sign out equipment and to organize the room. If you are interested, please see Mr. Erker.

Office Monitors: Grade 6 and 7 - We are looking for responsible, respectful and self-motivated students. Students will be asked to answer phones, take clear messages and at times make announcements.

Green Team: Grade 5, 6 and 7 - We are looking for students to take charge of our recycling program at the school. You need to be able to work quickly and quietly. In addition, we will be trying to add an outdoor/garden component to the 'Green Team' this school year. If you are interested, please see Mr. Erker.

Student Leaders (We Day Members): Grade 5, 6, and 7 – We are looking for motivated, creative, hard working and conscientious students to become part of our student leadership team. Student leadership, if done well, can be a lot of worthwhile work. We are looking to make a difference – do you think you have what it takes? If so, keep your eyes and ears open for upcoming opportunities.

PAC:

Peterson Road PAC will be holding their first meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 30th @7pm. We welcome parents to attend and help shape the school year. Please keep a look out for more information in the PAC newsletter and on our school website (www.petersonroad.ca).

Parent volunteers:

The Peterson Road office is looking for your support. We are in need of ‘phoning parents’. This volunteer would help keep track of those students who show up late to school, and contact those who have not called in to note an absence. Typically this volunteer position would occur between 9:10 – 9:30. If you could help Mrs. Jantzen out, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office to let Mrs. Jantzen know that you would be willing to volunteer.

Entertainment Books:

The Entertainment Books are coming. Keep an eye out for more information. As this is a late start to the year, the turn around time will be quick. Look for a book to come home on Monday and the sales to start ASAP.

Looking for Information:

Wanting to know what’s going on at Peterson Road? For quick access to important dates, or events, please follow us on Twitter. Peterson Road can be followed at @petersonprowl . You can also gain access to information by checking out our school website – www.petersonroad.ca

Playground Rules:

Last year, we had a real issue on the playground with the collection of litter that was found on our fields and under our playgrounds. In one week, we collected over 12lbs. of garbage. I am asking for your help at reducing the amount of litter this year

by trying to pack ‘litterless’ lunches. I realize this can be difficult, but sending as many items as possible that do not contain a wrapper would go a long way to reducing the amount of garbage that is collected.

Scooters, skateboards, and in-line skates will once again be permitted at LUNCHTIME ONLY. They are to be used only on designated days and only in our sports box. Students who do not come equipped with sufficient safety equipment will not be permitted to ride. If the scooters, skateboard, and skates are used anywhere other than in the sports box, while on school property, that student will lose the privilege of riding.

As we live on the West Coast, we tend to get a lot of rain. It will be the policy of the school to send the children outside for fresh air and playtime as often as we can. Please be sure to send your child to school dressed appropriately for the elements. As well, please try to send a change of clothes with your child, to keep at school, in case of a slip in the mud.

How would you like to receive your newsletter?

In an effort to reduce our carbon footprint, we are looking to send out our newsletter electronically. If you would prefer a paper copy please send an email to Mrs. Jantzen (djantzen@sd35.bc.ca). Please title the email “Paper Copy Please”. If we do not receive an email indicating “Paper Copy Please” you will NOT receive a paper copy of the newsletter. The newsletters will be made available to you electronically via email, school website, and on twitter.

