

Big Lake Elementary School

Thursday, September 14, 2017

Student Planners

Student in grades 1 and up have been given student planners to use daily. Please consider making a regular “drop spot” at home, where your child/ren can put their planner out for you to see. Please initial the planner and send it back to school with your child/ren daily. The student planners are an important communication tool between the classroom and home, and we check them first thing in the morning for bus/dismissal notes, and anything else you need to share with us. In Mme Roberts’ class, the planner is in a homework bag. Please return the bag daily as well, as it will also contain home reading. Thank you in advance for making this important tool part of your evening routine!



Cross Country Run Practices!

Thanks Shay Dyer for volunteering again this year as our running coach. Students in grades 2-7 will be practicing with Shay twice a week for the District Cross Country Run, in Williams Lake. More information about the field trip will be in the next newsletter. Please make sure these running students have comfortable running clothes, footwear, and a water bottle this month.

Terry Fox Run/Photo Day/First Hot Lunch/Ice Cream Social

Wednesday September 20th is shaping up to be a very busy day! It will include:

Student photos taken in the morning (8:30am – StrongStart littles are welcome to come have photos taken as well!) If students are dressed nicely for photos please make sure they have comfortable running wear for the afternoon!

Our first PAC Hot Lunch will be hot soup and a bun.

Our school will host the annual Terry Fox Run at 1:00pm. Family and community members are invited to join us! Rather than pushing the pledge sheets this year, there will be a donation jar in the office for students who would like to support Terry’s goal of raising \$1.00/every Canadian. Students who bring donations will get their name entered into a draw for a Terry Fox T-shirt. Students who still wish to fundraise via pledges are of course still able to do so. After the run is complete, we will be having an ice cream social in the playground. Please come meet the new staff and celebrate with us ☺

Orange Shirt Day

As a staff we have decided that we will honour Orange Shirt Day here at the school this year. We value the importance of the day but have decided the field trip component can be done with our small group of students every other year. Please encourage your child/ren to wear an orange shirt on Friday, September 29th to honour residential school survivors.

Student Celebration Assembly

Please join us for our first GREAT THINGS assembly, family and community members welcome! We will celebrate Amazing Kids, student work samples, and share some photos from activities this month. The assembly will take place in the Community Hall Sept 27th from 1:30-2:12 (dismissal). Help us celebrate our students!

Community BBQ

The community of Big Lake has been through a lot this summer. We have worked together, fought alongside each other, planned together and, most of all, survived together.

But there is one more thing that Big Lake residence do with style; we really know how to eat well.

As a “thank you” to the community, the Big Lake Fire Department will be opening up our fire hall for a potluck this Saturday, Sept 16th at 4:30 pm. Bring a dish, salad or dessert and come in to touch base with your neighbours. The fire hall will have maps of fire locations, lots of pictures and stories. This is a great community to belong to and we hope everyone will join us in celebrating that.

Scholastic Book Orders

Our librarian, Kim Benisch, periodically will send home flyers from Scholastic. This is a great place to buy books for your children. All books ordered through the school benefit us in the form of coupons that Scholastic gives our library. If you would like to order books as gifts, you can let Mrs. Benisch know and she will call you to pick the order up instead of sending them home with the students.



Fall is Upon Us

As we are now experiencing heavy dew in the mornings, little feet are getting wet. It would be a good idea to send extra socks with your primary children so they can have dry feet in class. Wet socks will be sent home in the back pack, please include a plastic bag for this.



Dates to Remember:

Sept 18 – Strong Start begins
Sept 20 – Photo Day, Terry Fox Run, Meet the Teachers
Sept 21 – CI Day
Sept 22 – Pro-D Day
Sept 27 – Assembly 1:30 pm
Sept 29 - Orange Shirt Day