

Rutland Elementary

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Principal's Message:

Dear Parents,

We hope you had a great Easter weekend with friends and family. We are entering into two of our three busiest months of the school year. Along with the business of the learning and fun activities planned for May and June, we will also be working on planning for start-up in September 2019!!! If you haven't had the chance to drop by the school lately, we have had a lot of things going on...

Have you noticed an increase in sand coming home in your child's shoes and pockets? This is due to the fact that we had our sand box/jump pit redone and of course the kids are loving it! And the scooter racks are finally installed! We sent out a notice last week to all our scooter riders and have talked to them about the importance of locking up their scooters. Starting May 6th, students will no longer be able to bring their scooters into their classrooms and will need to lock them up on the scooter racks.

On Tuesday, April 30th we had visiting teachers from elementary, middle and high schools in our district. They are part of the Learning Leadership Academy with Central Okanagan Public Schools. They were touring one of our Learning Communities and exploring the use of documenting the learning journeys of students and educators alike. On Tuesday, April 23rd our school hosted 7 teachers from other schools as part of the District Numeracy Network.

Lastly, a wonderful addition to our school is the completion of the steps from the students in Ms. Burton's and Ms. Dietzel's Learning Community.

Gord Kirsch, Principal
Jessica Anjos, Vice-Principal



Friday, May 3

Oakes to Gymnastics, 9:00 – 10:00
Burton to Gymnastics, 10:00-11:00

Tuesday, May 7

Gr 5 Aboriginal Students to RMS,
11:00 – 12:30 pm

Wednesday, May 8

Beeper Bowl
Gr 3's swimming 11:30 – 1:00 pm
ELFF Night, 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Thursday, May 9

Class & Group Photos

Friday, May 10

Oakes to Gymnastics, 9:00 – 10:00
Burton to Gymnastics, 10:00 – 11:00
Cultural Performance, 12:30 – 1:30

Monday, May 13

Grade 5's at Gardom Lake

Tuesday, May 14

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Huntley to Safety Village, 10 – 11

Wednesday, May 15

Cowell & Wilkison to Chichester Pk
Dickson to Safety Village, 10 – 11

Friday, May 17

Oakes to Gymnastics, 9:00 – 10:00
Suurallik to Safety Village, 10 – 11
Burton to Gymnastics, 10:00 – 11:00

Monday, May 20

Victoria Day – NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, May 21

PAC Meeting, 6:30 pm

Thursday, May 23

Fire Safety for Gr K – 3, 8:45 – 9:45
Int Spring Perf Dress Rehearsal, 12:30

Friday, May 24

Int Spring Performance, 12:30 – 1:30

Tuesday, May 28

Bike & Walk to School Week starts
Whitehead & Swanson to
Museum, 9:30 – 10:45

Wednesday, May 29

Oakes' class sailing, all day
Kindergarten Orientation

Are You Moving?

In order to make accurate plans for next year's school organization, we need your assistance in confirming student enrollment for September. If you know that your child will not be attending Rutland Elementary School next year, please let the office know.



Battle of the Books



1st Place!!!!
Grade 4 Team:
Griffin Leask
Jack Ronacher
Jenna Marbus
Taylor Timm



Grade 5 Team:
Felicity Vogan
Sana Ahuja
Rebecca Pouliot
William Campbell

2019 Chess Championship Results

Grade 2 – Alexander Campbell – 1st place
Grade 3 – Eric Hou – 2nd place
Grade 5 – William Campbell – 2nd place



Spring Weather



April Showers bring May flowers – please make sure your child is dressed for the wet spring weather. Students are expected to go outside during recess and lunch, even if it is raining. It's a great idea to send an extra set of clothes for your child in case they do get wet while playing outside. As well as sunscreen and a hat for the hot days!

2019-2020 Class Placement Requests

The staff puts a lot of thought and time into building balanced classrooms. This process takes several weeks and starts at the end of May. Every year, we have a small number of parents wishing to make placement requests for their children and we ask that those requests come before we start the process of creating classes. We do recommend that you have a conversation with your child's current classroom teacher prior to making a request. If you decide to make a request, we ask you use the Request Form available in our office and on our school website and submit the form into the office prior to May 30th. This form allows us to ensure that we are keeping track of the requests. Due to the complexity of creating balanced classrooms, we will try to accommodate as many requests as possible. Thank you for understanding as we try to honour these but in some cases are unable to do so.

Walk/Bike to School Week

Bike and Walk to School Week includes all people powered travel - which beats the price of gas at present! The purpose of the week is to encourage students and their families to travel to and from school via a 'no fuel' mode of transportation. The week is a perfect opportunity to be active, as well as a friend to the environment. Before bringing your bike/scooter to school, make sure to learn how to use your lock. Remember to be safe on the roads, and wear your helmet!