

Rutland Elementary

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Principal's Message:

Welcome to a New Year!!! We hope the holidays were filled with great moments and memories along with some rest. We are excited for the adventures ahead and welcome your children back to school. We have lots going on over the next few weeks to keep us busy!

There will be a Career Fair on the morning of **January 24** with several of our classes. Though the Fair will be in our gym, it is being organized by the RSS Career Planning teacher, Mr. Dorf. He had his students come and interview many of our students on their possible career interests. Mr. Dorf will now be working with his students to put on this event!

Our Second Annual Rutland Forum will be at RSS on **January 31st from 6:30 – 7:30 pm**. At this event, all the schools in the Rutland Zone will be setting up booths or 'learning stations' to showcase some of the great learning happening at each of our schools. Hope to see you there!

Our very own "RLE Learning Tour" will be taking place on **February 5**. This will be an opportunity for parents to take a tour of some of our classrooms to see a snapshot of the cool learning taking place in our classrooms. The students are excited to share their learning with you!!

The Primary Winter Performance will be happening on **January 31 from 12:15 to 1:30 pm**. Students in Mrs. Church, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Kruiper, Mrs. Huntley, Mrs. Dickson, Miss Suurallik, Ms. Cowell, Mrs. Wilkison, Ms. Burton, Ms. Dietzel and Mrs. Whitehead's classes will be presenting their musical talents for you!

Parent/Teacher/Student conferences will take place on **February 7 and 8**. Our school days will be shortened to accommodate this schedule with an early dismissal at 12:30 pm. Online appointment bookings will be available on Thursday, January 17.

Congratulations to Mrs. Oakes and the students from Student Voice Club for organizing the Warm Clothing and Food Drive in December! We appreciate everyone's donations.

We wish you the best for the New Year and we are looking forward to an exciting year of learning with your children.

Gord Kirsch, Principal Jessica Anjos, Vice-Principal



Dates to know in January:

January 9

Stringer, Stacey, Parker skating – 9:30 – 10:45 am

January 10

Pasitney, Parker, Leinemann skating – 9:30 – 10:45 am

January 15

PAC Meeting, 6:30 pm in the library

January 24

Career Fair in the gym with RSS Teacher Mr. Dorf

January 25

Mr. Stacey's class to Gymnastics, 9:00 – 10:00 am

Mrs. Stringer's class to Gymnastics, 10:00 – 11:00 am

January 29

Stringer, Stacey, Pasitney skating – 1:00 – 2:15 pm

January 30

Primary Winter Performance Dress Rehearsal, 12:15 – 1:30 pm

January 31

Primary Winter Performance, 12:15 – 1:30 pm

Rutland Forum at RSS, 6:30 pm

February 5

RLE Learning Tour

February 7 & 8

Parent-Teacher Conferences, early dismissal at 12:30 pm

Winter Reminders

Parents please discuss these matters with your child(ren):

1. The "no snowball" rule is in effect. While throwing snow seems like a perfectly natural activity, the potential exists for injury to others. We continue to remind students that throwing and kicking snow may lead to consequences which may ultimately lead to a suspension.
2. Students should be dressed warmly so they can fully participate in the fresh outdoors. It is a good idea to send along some extra clothing during the wet/slushy season.



Student Tardiness

Students should be arriving before the 8:25 am warning bell so that they are able to line up outside with their classes. When students are late to school, this creates a great deal of disruption in the hallways and the classrooms. We are asking parents to make this a priority this New Year.



Hot Lunch Program

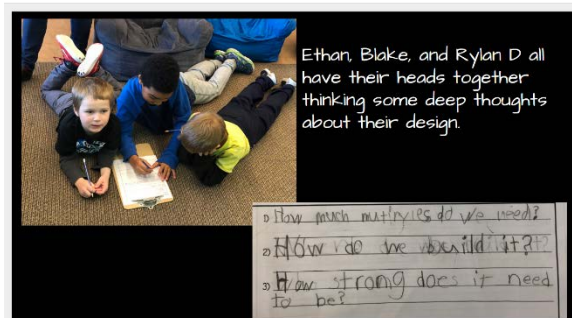
Thank you to all of our parent volunteers who come in every Wednesday to distribute hot lunches to our students!

We appreciate all of your help!



Ms. Burton and Ms. Dietzel's Learning Community

Students work on how could an architect help the pigs design a house to survive the wolf's huffing and puffing? Students brainstormed questions about building a house for the three little pigs.



Rocks and Rings

Thank you to the RLE PAC for sponsoring the Rocks and Rings program where our students has the opportunity to learn to curl!

Your child will be bringing home a certificate that can be used to get a discount from the Kelowna Curling Club for a youth program that they do on Saturdays. Please go to info@kelownacurling.com for more information!

