June 2020 Newsletter

Rutland Elementary

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Dates to know in June:

Principal's Message:

Dear Parents,

Well not only has this year seemed to have flown by but it certainly has been a year with unique challenges. We thank our parents and teachers for their patience as we navigated the uncharted waters of a pandemic and remote learning, then a partial return to school. The question on everyone's mind is "what is September going to look like?" Currently, we are busy completing the building and creation of next year's classes and are gearing up for what we hope is a 'traditional' start to the school year. The Minister of Education, Mr. Rob Fleming along with the Provincial Health Officer, Dr. Bonnie Henry will ultimately make the decision in late August as to how the startup of the 2020-2021 school year will look. Now more than ever, it is important that we have your current contact information such as email and phone numbers.

Though we cannot have our normal large assemblies where we say good-bye to staff and students, we would like to share that in our newsletter. First of all, we wish the best of luck to our Grade 5 students who are more than ready to take on the fun adventures and learning opportunities awaiting them in Middle School. Our staff has been working alongside the staff at Rutland Middle School to ensure a smooth transition for each student. And just as we say goodbye to one group of students, we are excitedly planning and getting ready for our next group of Kindergarten students!!

As for staff changes, we are saying goodbye to Ms. Burton, who has transferred to North Glenmore. Ms. Burton has been part of the fabric of our school for the 19 years and we certainly wish to thank her for all she has done for our school and students. We wish her well in her new home!! Mrs. Dolgopol, our Administrative Assistant is on the move – she and her husband are making their way to Invermere. Miss Suurallik was here on a temporary contact and is looking for her forever home. We wish her all the best in finding her placement. We would like to welcome Mrs. Ketesdi as our new Grade 3-4 teacher and Mrs. M. Vecchio as our new grade one teacher. Yes, you read that correctly we have the Vecchio sisters both teaching Grade One! Mrs. Huntley will be joining our Kindergarten team!!

We hope everyone has a great summer that is filled with lots of reading and outside activities.

Have a safe and happy summer!

Gord Kirsch, Principal Jessica Anjos, Vice-Principal

Tuesday, June 23

Last day for students attending Mondays & Tuesdays

Report Card pickup 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Wednesday, June 24

Report card pick up 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Thursday, June 25

Last day for students attending Thursdays & Fridays

Report Card pick up 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Friday, June 26Administrative Day



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Year End Slideshow

The year-end slideshow will be available at noon on Thursday, June 25 on the school website.

School Fees

Outstanding fees can be paid using our online payment program. If you haven't already done so, please take a few minutes now to register. This program is used at all schools in our school district and you only have to sign up once! This is a convenient, safe and secure way to pay your fees.

PAC News

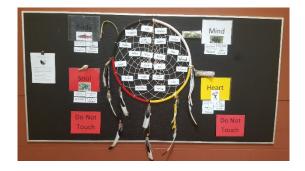
The RLE PAC held their AGM via Zoom on May 28, 2020. Thank you to those who attended!

We are pleased to announce that the role of Vice-President and Treasurer were filled for the 2020-2021 school year. The following positions are still needing to be filled: President and Secretary. Without having individuals elected to these positions, the Rutland Elementary PAC is at risk of having to dissolve in the coming school year. This would mean a huge loss of funds and activities for the school. If you think you can help, please contact the PAC at rle.pacpresident@sd23.bc.ca!



Yearbook

This year's yearbook is now on sale for only \$22, but only until June 19! Don't miss the memories of this past year! Please visit School Cash Online to purchase a yearbook that you will treasure forever! Yearbooks will be distributed in September – Gr 5's heading to RMS will receive theirs at their new school in the fall.



Indigenous Learnings

Together with Miss Jackie, our Indigenous Advocate, the students in Mr. Aka's class collaborated to create an interactive Medicine Wheel Dream Catcher to showcase the both the Four Food Chiefs and the science of the Medicine Wheel.

Kindergarten Crew for 2020-2021

Our newest Rutland Roadrunners popped by RLE on Wednesday, June 17 to collect a package of goodies to help prepare them for their first year in school! We look forward to welcoming them all in September.





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