

Rutland Elementary

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Principal's Message:

Dear Parents,

Welcome to October, the month of Thanksgiving! We have so much to be thankful for as it's been a very positive start to the new school year! Thank you to parents for your overwhelming support and to our fantastic teachers, support staff and students for doing such a great job settling into the routines of school. Thanks to our lead parents and volunteers who set up the back drops for the first day of school photos, and to our fantastic parents and volunteers running our hot lunch program!

Sincerely,

Mr. Kirsch

Terry Fox Run

Rutland Elementary raised \$1805 for the Terry Fox Foundation!!! Way to go RLE!!! A big thank you to Mr. Stacey for taking the lead on organizing and leading our Terry Fox run. To make it a

little more fun for the students, Mr. Stacey arranged for a few staff members to be 'pied in the face'. The names of the students were drawn randomly from the school population and no surprise in this being extremely popular with our students!

Emily was our top fundraiser – bringing in \$838!!! Awesome job Emily!



Dates to know in October:

October 2 - 6

Scholastic Book Fair in the Library

October 4 - 5

P/T Conferences, early dismissal at 12:30 pm

October 6 & 20

Non-Instructional Day – NO SCHOOL

October 9

Thanksgiving Day – NO SCHOOL

October 11

School Photo Day

October 16

PAC Meeting, 6:30 pm

October 18

Cultural Performance 12:30-1:30 pm

October 26

RCS Halloween Ball, 6:30-8:30 pm



Rutland Community School Halloween Ball

Get your family dressed up for this fun event that will feature a costume parade and prizes galore!!!!

Thursday, October 26, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, in the RES Gymnasium, cost is \$5 per person / \$10 for families

This is a family event and all children **must** be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are purchased at the door.



SCHOOL FEES

School fees are \$40 per student (\$30 for all school supplies for the year, and \$10 Cultural Fee). We encourage you to use our online payment system! There is a link on our website, <https://centralokanagan.schoolcashonline.com>. All school fees are due by Oct 1.

Cold and Flu Season

One of the most important ways to prevent the spread of cold germs is to wash your hands! Thank you in advance for calling in to the office to inform the school that your child is home sick. Our absentee telephone message system is available 24 hours a day! Just call 250-870-5126 ext 1.

School Photos

School photos will be taking place on Wednesday, October 11 throughout the whole day. If your student is away that day – don't worry! Retakes will be available for students on November 7.

Important Allergy Alert

More and more children in our care have life-threatening food allergies. For these children, smelling, eating or touching allergy-causing food can trigger a life-threatening allergic reaction (also known as anaphylaxis). If not treated, it could lead to collapse and death. Some anaphylactic reactions can occur within seconds or minutes of contact with the allergy causing food. Other reactions may take an hour or longer to appear.

There are students in our school with a life-threatening allergy to the following products:

- Peanuts and all other nut products (walnuts, hazelnuts, pecans, pistachio etc.)
- Almond butter and almond milk
- Nutella
- Soy products
- W.O.W. butter

The only way to prevent this type of reaction is to avoid contact with allergy causing food.

Parents are asked to carefully read product labels prior to sending any foods to school to ensure they **do not contain** the above items. Products which contain the disclaimer "May contain nuts" are to be avoided as well. Thank you. Your diligence in this matter can save a child's life.