

October 12, 2010



Sunset Elementary School

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It's Walk-tober!

Recently, Sunset School's Environmental Club unveiled a sign designed by Mr. Mollinga to encourage students and staff to walk or bike to school. While October is recognized as International Walk to School month, we are challenging students to walk or bike to school throughout the entire year if they live close enough to do so. To help promote this health initiative, we are revitalizing the bike racks and have moved them to the front of the school.



Parent-Teacher Conferences

Monday, October 18 and
Tuesday, October 19

Early Dismissal at 2pm both days!

Please return your letter to the school as soon as possible to ensure your choice of dates and times.

Peanut-Free Policy

Sunset School will be relaxing our peanut-free policy. Beginning this week, Mr. Ogren's classroom, Mrs. Brooks' room, the school office, and the school concession will remain peanut-free to ensure the safety of students with nut allergies. If a student in Mr. Ogren's class should bring a peanut butter sandwich to school, they need to report it to the office and we will find a safe place for them to store and eat their lunch. There should be no peanuts or peanut products brought into Mr. Ogren's classroom. Thank you for your understanding as we work to keep our school safe for all students.

Community Input Sought

School District #85 will be hosting a Community Consultation Meeting in Port McNeill (location tba) on the future of Elementary Education/ School Configuration in the community.

Monday, October 25, 2010, 7pm

Everyone is encouraged to attend to provide their views and suggestions.

Halloween Events

Students will be carving pumpkins with their Buddy Classes on October 29. This annual event cannot occur without sufficient parent volunteers! If you are able to assist with this project, please contact Ms. Sweeney.

Students are asked to not wear their costumes that day, as they may pose a safety hazard while carving pumpkins. Instead, students will be treated to staff members wearing costumes for their viewing pleasure!

October is Diversity Month!

Students will be taking part in multicultural fine arts activities in multi-grade groups on Thursday, October 28. Students will report back to their classes about the activities they took part in, and

Cross-Country Meet

Hot Dog Day October 21

\$2/ hot dog; \$1 chocolate milk

Volunteers Needed

We value the important role played by all volunteers at our school, from parents who are able to volunteer on a regular basis, to those who are able to offer occasional assistance with special projects. If you or another adult family member are considering offering your time to volunteer at our school, we need you! Please feel free to stop in at the office to pick up a criminal record check form, and to discuss how you could help out.

We are still hopeful that through volunteer support, we will be able to offer a weekly hot lunch program.

Thank you for helping to make Sunset School an even better place for your children!

PAC Playground Work Party

We are grateful for the Intermediate Playground that PAC installed several years ago. Now, they are tackling the Primary Playground area. On **Saturday, October 16 at 9am**, parents will be meeting to resurface the primary area, which has become a mud pit. Over the year, PAC will be continuing to fund-raise to replace the equipment in this area.

If you are able to help out on Saturday, please contact Lisa Brown at 956-2224. We will need wheelbarrows, rakes, shovels, and positive attitudes!

Mr. Neilson will be accompanying our Cross-Country team to their meet in Sointula on Thursday, October 14. If your child is on the team, please make sure that you have signed and returned his/her permission form. As space on the boats (BC Ferries and Naiad Explorer) is limited, please let us know immediately if you plan to attend with your child.

Upcoming Events

Special PAC Meeting to discuss upcoming Community Consultation

Tuesday, October 12, 7:30pm

Canadiana Music Company presents "The Birth of the CPR"

Wednesday, October 13, 1:30pm

District Cross-Country Meet

Thursday, October 14

Primary Playground Work Party

Saturday, October 16, 9:30 am

Parent-Teacher Conferences

(Early Dismissal at 2pm)

October 18 and 19

Hot Dog Day

Thursday, October 21

Provincial Pro-D Day

Friday, October 22

Community Consultation Meeting

Monday, October 25, 7pm (location tba)

School Picture Day

Tuesday, October 26

Pumpkin Carving

Friday, October 29

PAC Meeting (babysitting available)

Monday

Please feel free to contact Ms. Sweeney, Acting Principal, or Mr. Neilson, Acting Vice-Principal, with any questions or concerns.

If you prefer to have this newsletter emailed to you, please email Ms. Sweeney at rsweeney@sd85.bc.ca