

September 14, 2009



## Sunset Elementary School

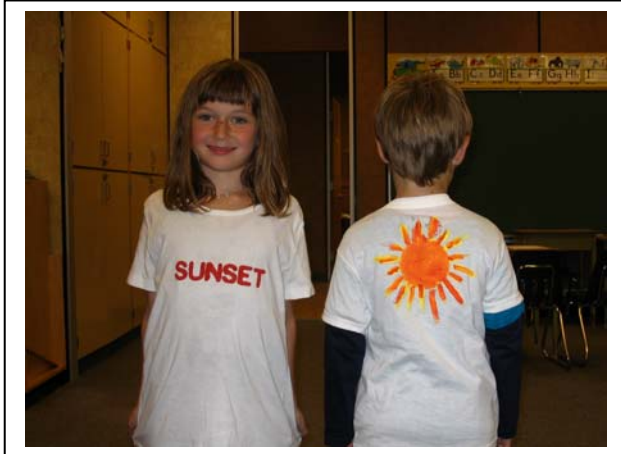
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### Welcome Back!

Last Friday, students joined their new teachers and learned about the expectations for the school year. This week, classes will be beginning their regular routines and students will need to bring their school supplies in if they haven't already done so. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher with any questions or concerns you may have.

If you have children in primary grades, please send a change of clothes for us to have on hand for muddy days.



The t-shirts that students painted last week look great! Thanks to Mrs. Casson and her crew for working with all classes so that every student in Grades 1-7 had a chance to make one.

### Cross-Country Meet

A.J. Elliott will be hosting the District Cross-Country Meet in Sointula on October 21, 2009. Mr. Robertson will be starting practices soon. He welcomes parents to join in on the lunch-time runs!

### PAC Meeting Tonight!

The first PAC Meeting of the school year will be held in the Sunset School Library at 7:00pm. Please join us and help with the planning to make this an exciting year!

### Parking Lot Safety

Please remember that when you are picking up or dropping off your children, you need to drive through the parking lot and not through the bus loop at the front of the school. Students leaving the school building do not expect vehicles to be in this no-drive zone and this creates a potentially unsafe situation as they cross the lane.

If you need to leave your vehicle in the parking lot while you come into the school, please do not leave it in the drive-through area of the parking lot, but rather, pull into a parking spot off to the side.

### Sunset School is Peanut-Free!

Please remember that due to student allergies, snacks and lunches sent to the school must be made of peanut-free products.

A warm Sunset welcome to Mrs. Nolin, who will be teaching Grade 4 and Intermediate French this year.

## Flu Season

We are continuing to emphasize the importance of students washing their hands regularly as a preventative measure against spreading flu viruses.

Recently, there has been concern over the spread of the H1N1 flu virus in BC. Symptoms of the H1N1 flu virus are similar to those of a regular flu, and they include fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, head aches, and occasionally, vomiting and diarrhea. If your child experiences any of these symptoms, please keep them at home.

Links to more information about the H1N1 flu virus can be found on the School District website, [www.sd85.bc.ca](http://www.sd85.bc.ca)

## Forms to be Returned

Ms. MacKinnon will be sending home Verification Sheets and School Authorization Forms. These forms need to be returned to the school as soon as possible to ensure that we have up-to-date phone numbers, addresses, and emergency contact information. Even if you are a returning family, these forms need to be completed again.

## Picking up children?

Please remember to let Ms. MacKinnon in the office know if you are picking up or dropping off a student during school hours.

## Concession Volunteers Needed

Please let us know if you are able to help manage or work in the concession. We were not able to provide this service last year as there were no parents able to take on this job.

## Cops for Cancer Fundraising

Sunset School will be collecting donations this week for the Tour de Rock. Mr. Gough will lose his hair at an assembly Friday morning if we raise \$2000!

Community Dinner at Sunset School  
Sunday, September 20  
Doors open 4:45pm; \$7/adult; \$5/child  
More info: Elaine (250) 956-4953  
Joanne (250) 956-4191

Pancake Breakfast at Black Bear Resort  
Monday, September 21  
7:25-9:25; by donation

Tour de Rock riders will leave Black Bear Resort at 9:30 as it will be an Inservice Day and students won't be at school to send them off this year.

## Upcoming Events

### PAC Meeting

Monday, September 14

### Cops for Cancer Assembly

Friday, September 18, 9:30

### Inservice Day

Monday, September 21

### Parent-Teacher Conferences

October 5 and 6

### District Cross-Country Meet

Wednesday, October 21

### School Picture Day

Tuesday, October 27

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

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