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Special Dates

June 1
District Track Meet

June 2
Welcome to K
1:15 – 2:30 pm

June 10
Fun Day

June 15
Cultus Lake
Waterslides

June 15-17
Gr. 7 Camp -
Camp Stillwood

June 21
Gr. 7 Year End
Assembly 10:10 a.m.

June 22
Year End Assembly
10:30 a.m.

June 23
Last Day of School
Last Report Issued
Early Dismissal
1:38 p.m.

Academics
Athletics
Attitude
Arts

**Building a Community
of Learners – Together**

Ray Shepherd Elementary School



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Parent Appreciation:

We would like to thank all the parents in the community or your on-going support, encouragement and involvement with our school. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a dedicated group and we thank you for all your efforts in making Ray Shepherd a wonderful school! A special thank you goes out to our PAC Chair, Aimee McDonald and our May Fair coordinator, Lee Frost for all their hard work this year. The May Fair was a tremendous success despite the poor weather and these ladies and the many conveners worked many tireless hours to make it happen! Thank you to our PAC Executive and all our parents!



Student Donation to MayFair:

Yawan and Celina worked very hard at their Charity Shop to sell bracelets, hair clips and more to raise money for Peace Arch Hospital and our school. They raised a total of \$92 to be split between the our school and the hospital. Thank you Yawan and Celina for your wonderful donation!

District Track Meet:

Our track team will be participating in various track events at our District Track Meet tomorrow. We want to wish them the best of luck and to thank our parent drivers and volunteers for helping out. A special thank you to all our coaches who volunteered their time to coach our team! Go Hawks Go!



Fun Day:

We are very excited for our Fun Day event coming up on June 10th. Students have been split into colour groups. Please encourage students to dress in their colours and decorate their bike for our bike parade. Information about this day will be sent out this week from their teacher. There will also be a special hot lunch on this date and order information is provided in this email. Please order your lunch by this Friday!



Year End Events:

Please join us for our year end assemblies. The Grade 7 Farewell Assembly is scheduled to be on Tuesday, June 21st at 10:10 am. Doors open at 9:45 am. This assembly includes a presentation of awards to students. Criteria for these annual awards are listed below.



On June 22th, we have our Year End Assembly and Slide Show. The event begins at 10:30 a.m. and doors open at 10:00 a.m. We also will be saying goodbye to staff who are not returning in September. We hope to see you there!

End of Year Reminders:

- * Please return all library books by June 9th, 2016
- * Please check the Lost and Found for items left behind. All items will be taken to the clothing bin in the parking lot the last week of school. It's best to check before this.
- * Once again, we are collecting any left over school supplies for the Canadian Food for Children (CFFC) who donates these items to less fortunate children in primarily Haiti. A box will be placed at the top of the stairs near the office for any donations.

Grade 7 Farewell Assembly Awards – Awards Criteria

Citizenship Award - This recognizes the student who exemplifies honesty, works hard, shows respectful and fair practices, and is conscious of and shows consistent school-level involvement with world affairs. This student makes a difference and understands global awareness.

Art Award – This recognizes the student who is creative, original, and thoughtfully expresses ideas in a variety of media.

Work Habits Award – This is given to the student who uses good time management strategies, is organized, punctual, productive in class, and maximizes his or her potential with quality work. The person acknowledges, by actions, the importance of a learning environment for everyone.

Most Improved Award – This award recognizes the student who shows a movement forward from September to June with improved academics, work habits, organizational skills, effort, and attitude.

Athletic Award – This award recognizes the student who participates in school sports, models sportsmanship, provides team leadership, practices a healthy lifestyle, and displays humility.

Academic Award (Honour Roll) – This award is given to those students who consistently produce high quality work throughout the year. Assignments are always on time, and they are creative and show a depth of understanding with original thinking. In the final grade for the year, these students have achieved straight A's in the four core subjects of Language Arts, Math, Socials, and Science.

Math Award – This award recognizes a student who demonstrates outstanding abilities in Math. They have challenged the Grade 7 curriculum, attaining a higher level of understanding in Mathematics.

Cheryl Morgan Memorial Award – This award honours the student who demonstrates positive character traits and practices strong values and beliefs. They must be strong leaders, respect other people, practice teamwork, and be responsible and accountable learners.

Class Historians – Two students, selected for their positive influence on others, revisit the years from Kindergarten to Grade 7, recognizing some memorable and humorous events and activities.

***** The selection committee has chosen the students based solely on their merits and may not reflect a balance of female and male recipients.

Information for the 2016/17 School Year

SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE – 2015/16

8:35	Student Warning Bell – Students Line Up
8:40	Classes Begin
10:15	Recess
10:30	Re-entry Bell
11:48	Lunch – Students Eat in Classrooms
12:53	Lunchroom Dismissal
12:28	Re-entry Warning Bell – Students Line Up
12:33	Classes Begin
2:33	Classes Dismissed

* Please note that the day will be shortened by 5 minutes in 2016/17 due to the number of days in the school year. Therefore, students will be dismissed 5 minutes earlier than this year.



RAY SHEPHERD ELEMENTARY

2016/2017 Calendar

(Dates Subject to Change)



September	5	Labour Day (Holiday)
	6	School Opens
	26	Non-Instructional Day (school not in session)
October	10	Thanksgiving (Holiday)
	12	Conference/Interim Reports – Early Dismissal – 1:33 p.m.
	21	Non-Instructional Day (school not in session)
November	4	Non-Instructional Day (school not in session)
	10	Non-Instructional Day (school not in session)
	11	Remembrance Day (Holiday)
December	2	1 st Report Card Issued
	7	Conferences – Early Dismissal – 1:33 p.m.
December 19 - January 2		School closed for Winter Vacation
January	3	School re-opens after Winter Vacation
February	13	Family Day (Holiday)
	17	Non Instructional Day (school not in session)
March	10	2 nd Report Card Issued
	13-24	Local calendar School Closure days and School closed for Spring Break
	27	School re-opens
April	14	Good Friday (Holiday)
	17	Easter Monday (Holiday)
	26	Conferences/Interim Reports – Early Dismissal 1:33 p.m.
May	5	Non-Instructional Day (school not in session)
	22	Victoria Day (Holiday)
	29	Non-Instructional Day (school not in session)
June	29	Last Day of School– Early Dismissal 1:33 p.m.
	29	Final Report Card Issued
	30	Administrative Day

School Fees Notice to Parents/Guardians for 2016/17



Each school year, parents support their child(ren)'s formal learning experiences in a wide variety of ways. We so appreciate all that you do to ensure a successful year!



In addition to providing the school supplies itemized on a grade list, parents are periodically asked for monies to cover specific items and/or special events. No student will be denied the opportunity to participate in any school activity due to the inability to pay. Please contact the Principal should you require any financial assistance.

As we plan for the upcoming school year, we anticipate the following costs:

Student Planner: We encourage all students in Grades 1-7 to purchase a School Planner at a cost of \$5.00. Included in the planner is our school code of conduct, school calendar and school district information. We find this to be an excellent tool for facilitating home/school communication, as well as for developing our students' organizational skills. However, using our school planner is optional as a parent may purchase their own version.

Field Studies and Field Trips: Classes often enjoy educational visits to community facilities which extend and enhance the curriculum. While we use school monies or fundraise to cover the costs of such activities wherever possible, there are times when parents are asked to contribute towards the cost of the trip. If you choose to have your child not participate in a field study, a suitable program will be provided at the school.

Musical Instruments: Grade 2 students may learn to play the recorder. Students will have the option of purchasing one through our music teacher for \$8.00 or receiving one on loan from the school. Students in Grade 4 may also play the recorder and can re-use their Grade 2 recorder, purchase a new one or receive one on loan from the school. Also, our Grade 7 students who opt for band either purchase or rent an instrument. Costs vary depending on the instrument.

School Supplies:

Parents have the option of purchasing their child's school supplies on their own, by utilizing the grade supply list available at the office, or for your convenience you may wish to purchase supplies as a package through Edu-Pac. These forms were sent out in April. Payment is made by cheque or credit card to Edu-Pac. Costs for supplies vary based on grade.

Kindergarten supplies will be done as a bulk order. Parents will be asked to contribute \$40.00 to cover those supplies. If you wish to opt out and purchase your own, please let the school know. Please note that all supplies in Kindergarten are shared by the whole group.

