



Woodland Park Elementary September 2015 Newsletter

Important Dates

Wed Sep 23	Meet the Teacher/BBQ
Fri Sep 25	Terry Fox Run @ 1:30 pm
Mon Sep 28	Pro-D Day – no school
Tue Oct 6	Individual Photos
Mon Oct 12	Thanksgiving Day – Stat Holiday
Wed Oct 14	Wacky Hair/Hat Day
Thur Oct 22	PAC Fright Night
Fri Oct 23	Pro-D Day – no school

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Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you all had a great Summer!

The first weeks of school are extremely busy. Teachers have put in considerable effort to organize classes to support student needs and classes are now set. A few students each year want to switch classes so they can be with friends, to avoid other students they may not get along with or to be with their “favourite teacher”. Please understand this is not possible as one move often necessitates many moves (domino affect). If there is an extenuating circumstance, please contact the office.

Routines are very important to children. Please have conversations with your children about the importance of being on time. Not only do late arrivals have an impact on the teacher, but also on the other students whose lessons are interrupted.

- ✓ Please call the office if your child is going to be away for any reason (604-589-5957)
- ✓ Students **MUST** check in at the office if they are late

Bell Schedule

First Bell	8:30 am
Classes Begin	8:35 am
Recess	10:05 – 10:20 am
Lunch	11:48 – 12:35 pm
Dismissal	2:35 pm



Parking Lot

One of our primary goals is to keep your children safe. As you have noticed, traffic calming road work has taken place in front of the school – please be aware cars are being ticketed! Due to congestions, fire-lane, double parking and our little ones not taking due care after school, the parking lot is closed in the AM and from 2:25 – 2:45 pm (with the exception of Day Care pick-up).

Meet the Teacher and Family BBQ night

September 23, 2015

4:30 – 6:30

This is a great opportunity to support our community and our Woodland Park Family by meeting your teachers, other students and their families. Please note all BBQ order forms and payments must be in the office by Friday AM. There will not be an opportunity to purchase food at the event. At 4:30 pm, Parents will have the opportunity to meet the teachers in their classrooms. At 5:15 pm the BBQ begins.

Please complete (for all family members) and return the order forms to the school by tomorrow (Friday Sep 18) along with payment.

Cross Country Running

The Cross Country season is short – approximately 5 weeks. All grade 3 through gr 7 students are welcome to participate. There are 3 practices per week; Monday 8-8:25 AM, Wed. 2:40-3:10 PM and Thurs. 8-8:25 AM. Your son/daughter should have brought home an information letter if they were/are interested. There are 5 “Meets” which take place at Fleetwood Secondary beginning Tues. Sept. 22. We are DESPERATE for parent volunteer drivers. If you can help, please let us know ASAP. If we do not have enough drivers, we will not be able to take the children to these fun long distance running events. Booster seats are required for grade 3 students.



Terry Fox Run

Once again we will be having the Terry Fox Run – this event is for all students of Woodland Park and will be held on September 25 @ 1:30 pm. Parent Volunteers are welcome to assist that day. This will be a fund raising event – further details to follow.



Woodland Park Elementary

Code of Conduct

At Woodland Park Elementary School, we believe that all children have the right to learn in a safe, caring and orderly environment. Our expectations are that students will maintain an attitude that is cooperative, courteous and respectful.

<p>Be Respectful to Yourself – caring about your learning and yourself, including safety. <i>Some examples include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • always do your best • make good choices • be on time and ready to work • do your homework and use your planner 	<p>Be Respectful To Others – considerate of others' personal feelings and properties. <i>Some examples include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be polite and wait your turn • treat others with respect • use good listening skills • be honest and tell the truth
<p>Be Respectful To Property – caring about your school and your environment. <i>Some examples include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • clean up after yourself • take good care of materials • ask before borrowing 	<p>Be Safe – learn and follow school rules. <i>Some examples include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • walk calmly – no running in hallways • stay in designated areas • report dangerous situations to staff <p>Our Code of Conduct is designed to provide guidelines for appropriate student behaviour while under the jurisdiction of the school or at any school-sponsored function.</p>
Inappropriate Behaviour	
<p>Inappropriate behaviour can consist of, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rudeness, swearing • fighting (or play fighting) • lack of respect for others, teasing • throwing objects (rocks, sticks, snowballs, etc.) • defiant behaviour, insolence • running in the halls • unauthorized leaving of school grounds • littering 	<p>Consequences Consequences will be applied in a fair and consistent manner, respecting individual rights, responsibilities, age and maturity; and be restorative rather than punitive in nature.</p>
<p>Inappropriate behaviour typically has the following consequences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • review of expectations and a timeout • review of expectations, written assignment and/or loss of privileges • parents are informed • meeting with the parents • short-term (in school or at home) suspension up to 5 days • long-term suspension (over 5 days) or referral to district program • consultation with police and/or fire department • expulsion 	

Safe & Caring School Environments:

Are Free From Acts Of

- bullying, cyber-bullying, harassment, threat, intimidation
- violence in any form
- abuse in any form
- discrimination in any form
- theft
- vandalism
- retribution against a person who has reported incidents

Or Misuse Of

- ***Cyberspace/Cell Phones/Electronic Devices/Computers*** - students are to be aware that they may be subject to discipline (or, if applicable, confiscation of personal property) for misuse of technology if it negatively impacts on the school community

Forms of unacceptable conduct cited above are only some examples and not an all-inclusive list.

Do Not Tolerate the Presence Of

- intoxicating or banned substances
- weapons or replica (toy) weapons and explosives
- intruders or trespassers - All visitors to the school must first report to the office

Notification

As circumstances warrant, administrators have a responsibility to advise other parties following a behaviour incident:

- Parent of student exhibiting major behaviours
- Parent of student on the receiving end
- Assistant Superintendent, Safe Schools team member and/or other District Staff
- Ministerial agencies and/or School Liaison Officer (Police)