



October News

Principal's Message

With our school year fully under way, I am happy to say that we finally have all our staffing in place. I would like to introduce Kimberly Martin as our grade 5/6 Div. 2 classroom teacher as well as Sionna Mctavish as our Fine Arts and Literacy/Numeracy support teacher. I have greatly appreciated everyone's patience while we worked through this process. I continue to be excited to get to know all your children as their passion to play and learn is contagious. Last month, students participated in the literacy and numeracy curriculum as well as many community building activities. I was extremely proud about the level of participation and respect shown during our Terry Fox run on September 23rd as well as our Orange Shirt Day presentation held on September 29th. I am very excited about the future learning experiences the 2022/23 school year will bring.

Consent Forms and Verification Forms

I want to thank all our parents for getting their children's forms in so quickly this year. We still have a few consent forms as well as verification forms that are missing so, please make an effort to get them in. These include the walking field trips forms and internet permission forms to name a few. It's important that we have these forms completed as soon as possible so students can participate in all activities. If you need more direction, please contact us at the office and we can help you.

Sniffles and Illness

We appreciate families taking initiative to keep students' home when sick to ensure we stay ahead of illnesses before they spread to others. I know many families are erring on the side of caution, by keeping kids home when they are not well. Please feel free to contact us at the office if you have any questions or are looking for clarification and guidance with regards to student health and return to school.

Contact

Please remember that it is important that we have ability to contact you when necessary. We've had a few instances where mailboxes have been full and we are unable to get through. If you have a new phone number please let us know.

Email continues to be our easiest way to communicate in a timely manner, so please check your mailboxes regularly (junk inbox too) to keep up to date and in the know.

Teachers in all classes use **planners** daily. Please check your child's planner regularly to keep up to date with assignments and class specifics. This is a great communication tool to use with the teacher.

Late Arrivals

Please remember that when students arrive late to school, they (or their parents for younger students) must sign in at the office.

Hot Lunch

We will be starting our hot lunch program this week.

- Wednesday October 5 – Hot Dogs, Dessert Squares, Juice Box. (Scotch Creek Market)
- Wednesday October 12 – Quesadilla (Ross Creek Country Store)
- Wednesday October 19 – Sandwiches, Doughnuts, Milk (Scotch Creek Market)
- Wednesday October 26 – Pizza (Fetch Panda)

Thank you to all the local business that supports the NSH hot lunch program. If you do not want your child to participate in this program for any reason, please put a note in your child's planner and contact the office.

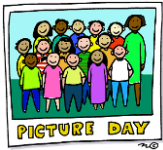


Interim Reports (Parent-Teacher Conference)

On October 26th, NSH in line with SD83 will be hosting parent teacher conferences so there will be no regular school in session. The conferences will give teachers and parents time to discuss student specific updates as well as set goals moving forward. More details about Parent/Teacher conferences will come shortly.

The first written learning update of the year (Formal Report Card) will be sent home on November 30, 2022.

Despite the different methods of communicating student progress, please know that you are always welcome to contact your child's teacher any time throughout the year. We are a team and want to work with you to ensure your child is successful, happy and progressing to his/her learning potential.



Picture Day

Student individual photos will be taken on Tuesday, October 11. After pictures are taken, packages will be sent home for you to view and order prior to retakes.

Bus Reminder

Students will not be permitted to ride on a bus other than their own. If you would like your child to get off at a stop different than their scheduled one, please let the office know and we will provide them with the proper note.

Students who do not follow bus safety rules and expectations may lose bus privileges.

Indoor Shoes

With the weather changing please make sure you child has indoor shoes at school that they can change into. Indoor shoes should be non-marking and suitable for active use in the gym.

Dates to Remember

- Oct. 06 PAC meeting @ 2:15 (all parents/caregivers are welcome)
- Oct. 10 Thanksgiving
- Oct. 11 Photo Day
- Oct. 11 Fire Prevention Presentation
- Oct. 21 Pro-D (no school for students)
- Oct. 26 Conference Day K-8 students ONLY attend for scheduled conference