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STRIVING TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE OUR POTENTIAL FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

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It is amazing that we are down to the last few weeks of school. This year has gone by so quickly. I want to thank everyone for making me feel so welcome at Bert Ambrose – this is an amazing school and community with so many people dedicated to supporting students and their learning – I feel very lucky to be the principal at such a great school. There is lots of learning left to do and many events planned before we are done. I encourage everyone to keep focused on the important learning that takes place every day to ensure a great finish to the year!

Rotating Strike

The BCTF has given notice that the rotating strikes will continue this week. Teachers will not be in schools on Thursday, June 5th this week. Parents are asked to keep their children home and not drop them off or have them attend school for Thursday. District buses will not be running. In the event that a settlement is reached prior to Thursday, the strike would be cancelled.

Spring Safety

With spring finally here we have a lot more students and parents walking and riding their bikes to school. Please review riding safety with your child. Also, remember to drive safely and watch for increased traffic. Please do not use cell phones while driving!

Kindergarten Registration and Welcome to Kindergarten

If you know of anyone with a kindergarten aged child, please remind them that registrations are now being accepted for this fall. Our Welcome to Kindergarten event has been rescheduled to Thursday, June 12th from 9:30 – 11:30 am in the school gym.

Trading Cards

We are seeing an increase of concerns around students bringing trading cards (Pokemon) to school. Please remind your child that we will not be solving any disputes about trades made at school. If there are continued problems on the playground, or if issues disrupt class instruction, we will ask that all cards be kept at home.

School Supplies for next year

School supplies will be purchased for classes again next year. New for 2014-2015 is the provision of Intermediate supplies. The fees for next year will be as follows:

Kindergarten - \$15 supplies + \$10 Cultural Fee = \$25

Primary - \$30 supplies + \$15 Cultural Fee = \$45 (+ \$10 Agenda as per teacher's request)

Intermediate - \$40 supplies + \$10 Agenda + \$15 Cultural Fee = \$65

Mrs. Zoerb

Our beloved Mrs. Zoerb is retiring at the end of this year. She will be missed by our school community. Please stop by in June to wish her well.

Bus Registration and Fees

Fees for buses will be in effect starting in September. Information was sent home with any students who were on the bus list for this year. If your child will be riding the bus next year, please be aware of the deadlines and discounted rate if paid by July 15th. If you need further information, the forms are available on the school website, or contact Mr. Ritchie at the school if you have any questions.

Barkerville

Mrs. London and Mrs. Barr's classes have returned from their trip to Barkerville with lots of great stories of fun and learning. A huge thank you to all the organizers and helpers who worked tirelessly to make this such a great trip.

Track and Field

Our track and field day for grades 3-6 is being planned for Friday, June 20th. If you are able to help with this event, please contact the school.

Primary Fun Day

Our primary fun day for the K-2 students will take place on the morning of June 13th.

PAC

The PAC meeting originally scheduled for June 18th has been rescheduled to Monday, June 16th at 6:30 pm.

Hot Lunches

With the uncertainty of rotating strikes, there will not be any more hot lunches this year. Thank you to Sandy McDonald and all the parents who did the work to provide lunches this year.

RCMP Open House

The RCMP are hosting an Open House on June 10th from 6 pm – 8 pm. There will be demonstrations of the Forensic Identification section and Barter the police dog. Children are invited to bring their bikes and participate in a bike rodeo and to take a tour of the detachment jail cells.

Roots of Empathy

This year we were fortunate to be able to offer the Roots of Empathy program in two classes. A big thank you to Ashley and Baby Natalie for joining Mrs. Larsh's Kindergarten class and to Amber and Baby Tucker for joining Mrs. Lee's class. Our babies have now both turned one!

Upcoming Events:

June 9 – Earth Rangers presentation at 1 pm
June 10 – RCMP open house at 6 pm
June 13- Primary Fun Day – K-2 in the morning
June 16 – PAC meeting at 6:30 pm
June 20 – Track and Field for grades 3-6
June 24 – Grade 6 Farewell dinner
June 25 – Talent Show
June 26 – Last day for students