



Sept. 25 - Oct. 6 22, 2023

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PEARSON ROAD

Principal's Message:

We are all happily settling in to the 2023-2024 school year. We understand that the transition into (or back into) a regular school day can be harder on some students and families. We want to thank you for your support of building great bedtime and morning routines. It really makes a world of difference to learning with calm, on-time arrival being a big factor to a great day.

We had a great turnout at our Welcome Back BBQ. It is such a great night of connection and community. Thank you to the huge staff turnout. You fed hundreds of people so quickly and with such big smiles on your faces. ♥

The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) eagerly encourages all parents to join. You DO NOT have to volunteer or fundraise if that is not your thing! Meeting times and dates are currently being discussed. If you have any feedback for them on that please email Pse.PacPresident@sd23.bc.ca The first PAC meeting is Wednesday, September 27th at 5:30 in the Library.

REPEAT ITEM (***please review***). Student safety is ALWAYS our priority please be reminded (or informed, if you are new to us) that the school parking lot is for staff parking only. Parents may use the **KISS & DROP** lane in the **morning only**. Parents must remain in their car while the students exit the vehicle on the right-hand side and take themselves to their classrooms. If you must accompany your child to the classroom you are asked to please park off property and walk in together. THERE IS NO ACCESS TO THE PARKING LOT AFTER SCHOOL. This is for student safety and we very much appreciate your support on this.

I am always available to meet with you or take your calls if you'd like to chat about anything at all.

Sincerely, Mrs. Nina Ferguson



| Monday, Sept 25 | Tuesday, Sept 26 | Wednesday, Sept 27 | Thursday, Sept 28 | Friday, Sept 29 |
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| | SCHOOL PHOTO DAY | Terrific Kids Assembly and Terry Fox Run PAC Meeting 5:30pm Library | | Truth and Reconciliation Assembly (Wear Orange Day) |
| Monday, Oct 2 | Tuesday, Oct 3 | Wednesday, Oct 4 | Thursday, Oct 5 | Friday, Oct 6 |
| No School - Truth and Reconciliation Day | Earth Rangers Assembly 9:10AM | Parent Teacher Interviews EARLY DISMISSAL at 11:30am | Parent Teacher Interviews EARLY DISMISSAL at 11:30am | Administrative Implementation Day NO SCHOOL |

Important Dates to Remember:

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| Thanksgiving Monday (NO SCHOOL) | October 9 |
| Teacher Pro-D Day (NO SCHOOL) | October 20 |
| School Photo Retakes Day | October 24th AM only |
| Remembrance Day (NO SCHOOL) | Nov. 13th |
| School Spirit Day: Silly Socks | Nov. 17th |



Copies of School Newsletter: "What's Happening at Pearson Road" can be found on our school website under the Parents tab> [School News](#)





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ARRIVING LATE - EARLY DEPARTURES

Just a friendly reminder that it is really important to have students arrive on time (8:25am) and be picked up on time (2:30pm). However, we understand that on occasion there are circumstances that require you to drop-off late or pick-up early, please pull into the front of the school and call the office to wait for someone to come out and meet/or deliver your child. Teachers will not be admitting late students or dismissing students early from their classroom doors, this is all done through the front office.



School Clothing -

any parents choosing to order school clothing for their student(s) have until Sept. 30th to do so through our online provider. Please see website for more information:
[Pearson School Clothing](#)

Truth and Reconciliation Week: WEAR ORANGE

To acknowledge and support Truth and Reconciliation the week of Sept 25th, we are encouraging our students to wear Orange shirts/items. Families may choose to use September 30th to continue their learning around Truth and Reconciliation. A great resource for those interested: <https://nctr.ca>

Birthday Treats at Pearson Road

We celebrate all student birthdays at Pearson Road. Parents are NOT expected to provide anything for classroom celebrations as many of our families are not able to. If some parents are choosing to send along a celebration item, please note we will only accommodate ONE individualized item/treat. Thank you so much for your understanding on this!

Here are some helpful guidelines if you choose to bring in a birthday treat:

1. Please inform the teacher in advance if you are planning on bringing something in.
2. Please only bring ONE individual item per child in the class. (Examples: a mini cupcake, a cookie, a mini chocolate bar, a mini bag of chips, etc.)
3. Items must be nut free.
4. Please do not bring goodie bags or other gifts to school for distribution.
5. Please no large cakes or items like ice cream that need to be served or require storage considerations.





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STUDENT VERIFICATION FORMS:

Verification forms will be sent home with every student at Pearson next week. PLEASE make sure you double-check all of the information listed on these forms, as this is the information that we use in emergencies. Families must list emergency contacts. We are asking that all forms be returned to your child(s) classroom teachers whether there are changes or not. Thank you for ensuring we have current information on file.



SchoolMessenger



SCHOOL ABSENCES:

Please make sure you have signed up with SchoolMessenger to support our school in being informed as to when your child will be absent from school. For more information and a help tutorial please

visit: [SchoolMessenger App](#)



Pearson Road Elementary Hot Lunch Program

Pearson Road Elementary Hot Lunch Program is now open for any parents who wish to order for lunches their student(s).

Parents must create an account on the MunchaLunch website. Ordering and payments are managed through Munchalunch. ALL ORDERS AND PAYMENTS MUST BE DONE ONLINE. We cannot accept cash or cheque payments at the school. Munchalunch Website



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PSE PAC

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[PSE PAC Website Link](#)



PSE PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) INVITES YOU TO GET INVOLVED!

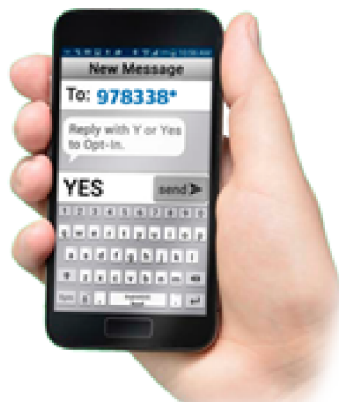
ONE SHORT MEETING PER MONTH

We support our students with:

- Field Trips
- Fun Days
- Student Celebrations
- New Playground Equipment
- Classroom Enhancements

Why participate?

- Have input in how we support our kids and their school.
- Our efforts go directly to our kids!
- Without adequate PAC members we will NOT receive the funding available.
- It is less than 1 hour per month
- EVERYONE is welcome!



**OPT IN BY TEXTING
"YES" TO 978338
OR SCAN THIS
QR CODE.**

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MESSAGING IS
COMING TO
PEARSON
ELEMENTARY!**



Home Opener Free Admission

Saturday, September 23 – 7pm
Rutland Arena

Great Concession, Free Parking



The Kelowna Chiefs open their season this Saturday VS the Castlegar Rebels. We would like to invite all School District 23 students, teachers, staff, families and friends to attend for FREE. Get your FREE tickets at www.kelownachiefs.com

For more information – info@kelownachiefs.com