

October Family Newsletter

A Heartfelt Message from Principal Brown

Dear Families,

As we settle into the rhythm of the school year, October provides many opportunities for learning, connection, and celebration. It has been wonderful to see our students' building friendships, developing new skills, and embracing challenges with enthusiasm.

This month, we look forward to continuing our work together to create a school environment where every child feels welcomed, valued, and supported. Thank you for partnering with us each day and for the many ways you contribute to our school community. Your support helps make Chilcotin Road Elementary a special place for all learners.

Wishing you and your family a wonderful October filled with learning, laughter, and time together.

Warmly,
Doug Brown
Principal

Quote of the Month

"Autumn shows us how beautiful it is to let things change."



Important Dates to Remember

- Oct. 2 – Custodian Appreciation Day
- Oct. 5 – World Teachers Day
- Oct. 7 – Photo Day
- Oct. 9 – Cross Country (Grade 3-6) 11:00am-12:30pm
- Oct.12 – Thanksgiving
- Oct.15 – Kindergarten Screening (IH)
- Oct.21– Photo Retakes AM only
- Oct.23 – ProD No School
- Oct.27-28 – Shorten School Days (Parent/Guardian Teacher interviews) end of day @1:30
- Oct.30– Halloween parade 8:45am, Dance 10am primary 12pm intermediate
- Oct.31– Halloween

From the Library



From the Library...

Your child has a weekly book sign out time with their class. Primary students are loaned a colored book bag for the year to help them keep track of their books. At the end of the year, bags are returned to the Library where we wash them to be ready for next year.

The photos here show some of our many early chapter book series. If your child is ready for these, they are a great option before jumping into novels because they are shorter, use simpler vocabulary, and often have pictures.

Our Scholastic Book fair will be October 26-29, the same week as early dismissal for Parent/Guardian-Teacher Interviews.



Literacy Corner

Read with your child for 10-15 minutes each day. Ask questions about what they are reading, encourage them to retell stories, and talk about favourite characters. Try asking "What was your favourite part and why?" to build deeper comprehension skills.

Numeracy Corner

Math is everywhere. Count change while shopping, estimate quantities while cooking, practice basic facts during car rides, and play card games together. Ask your child to explain how they solved a problem to strengthen mathematical thinking.

Attendance Matters

Regular attendance is one of the strongest predictors of student success. Every day provides opportunities for learning, collaboration, problem-solving, and relationship building. We encourage students not only to attend regularly but to engage meaningfully in classroom learning, discussions, and school activities. Every day counts and every student matters.

PAC Corner

Our PAC plays an important role in building a strong school community through fundraising, volunteerism, and family engagement. New members are always welcome. PAC would like to remind our families about the "Lost and Found," this year as the cupboard gets over run we will be unloading the cloths and donating. Please label your kids clothes so we can find their home before donating. Also, from Oct 1-28 the fundraiser focus is Dielmans'. An easy way to support our PAC is by participating in our fundraising events. Thank you to all PAC volunteers for their support of our students and school.

Thank You Corner

Thank you to Custodial Team for keeping our school clean and safe. We truly appreciate all the work you do around our building.

Family Activity Idea

Take a family walk and complete a fall scavenger hunt. Look for a colourful leaf, an acorn or pinecone, something orange, something that crunches, and a bird preparing for winter.