



# Parkland Elementary School

## June 2012 Newsletter



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**School Mission:** To engage each learner; thereby, increasing achievement

**GOAL:** Integrate personalized learning in each classroom

**Objective 1:** Focus and engage our students & staff in project-based learning

**Objective 2:** Develop and practice 21st Century skills

### Parkland Getting a New Principal

We are saying farewell to Ms. Lindstrom. She has accepted a position as Vice Principal at Dawson Creek Secondary starting this September. We wish her all the best in her new job and thank her for five great years!

The process for finding our new Principal is in the works and we should know who it is by the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June. We will send out a note letting everyone know as soon as we find out.

### Parkland Website

The school now has its' own website! We have lots of information for parents on the site, including upcoming events, our newsletters and minutes from the PAC meetings. The supplies list for next year is on there now, as well as some information on next year's planning for class configuration and teacher placement. Look under the "Parent Information" tab.

Our address is: <http://parkland.sd59.bc.ca/>

If there is anything you would like to see on the site contact Kim at the office with your suggestions.

**Parent Advisory Council Final Meeting of Year**  
**Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.** All parents are welcome to attend whenever they can.

### Art Fair

Thanks to everyone who came out to see the students art work. We've included some pictures in this newsletter.

### Class & Whole School Photos

We are expecting the photos to be here by mid June. We will send them home with students.

### Parkland Preschool Changing for 2012-13 Year

Carolyn Derfler is stepping down from running the preschool after 16 dedicated years. The school is open to having someone step in to keep the preschool going. Carolyn will be answering questions and collecting names of interested people.

The preschool runs as an independent body under the umbrella of the PAC. Being under the PAC's umbrella gives the program the schools liability insurance coverage. It has been a fee-based program with parents paying directly to the person running it.

Call Carolyn for more information 250 843 7143.

### Punch Card Prices

We took a look at the increased costs for providing pizza and hot dogs each week for students. Like everything else, prices have gone up. We cannot subsidize the hot lunch program and so our prices will have to go up. The lunch cards have been set at 75 cents per punch for many years now. Starting in September we will be charging \$20 for 22 punches. This is 5 punches less per card than before.

### Family Fun Day

Mark your calendar! Parents will be organizing a Family Fun Day to take the place of our sports day. It will be on **Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:30 to 2 pm.** Watch the backpacks for a notice with all the details soon.

### Year End Assembly

Our year-end assembly is on **Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:30 am.**

### Year End Fun Swim & Picnic

✓ Our year-end picnic is **Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>** at Mathew's Park. The bus will leave the school at 10:30 am and return by 1:45 pm. Thanks very much to our PAC for organizing and paying for the BBQ!

✓ The year-end fun swim will be the next day, **Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>** at the pool in Dawson Creek from noon to 1 pm. Students need to bring a lunch, a swim suit and towel and a quarter for the lockers. The bus will leave at 11:15 am and return at 1:40 pm. The pool requires a ratio of 3 children to 1 adult for children 0 - 7 years. The adults must be in the water and within arms reach. **So we have to have 7 parent volunteers** to help supervise the primary students. If we do not get enough volunteers the under 7 year old students will have to stay at the school and have a fun day here. There is a sign up sheet in the office. If you can come to the pool with us please let Mrs. Weingart or Kim (office) know as soon as possible. You can sign up on the permission form.

### Grade 7 Tea

Parents of *Grade 7s*, please watch for an invitation to come home soon with details on the farewell celebration.

### Hip Hop Lessons!

Emily Parsons is coming back to do a week long session of Hip Hop dancing with all the classes. She will be here **Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup> through Friday June 15<sup>th</sup>** in the mornings. The K-1's are going from 9:30 - 10 am, the *Grade 2-3-4s* are from 8:30 - 9:15 am, and the *Grade 5-6-7s* are from 10:40 - 11:30 am.

### Important Dates to Remember

- SPC Meeting **Tue. June 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm**
- Final PAC mtg: **Thur. June 14, at 6:30 PM**
- *Grade 7 Tea* - **Wed. June 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:45 pm**
- Family Fun Day - **June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 10:30 - 2 pm**
- Year End Assembly - **June 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am**
- Year End Picnic - **10:30 - 1:30 pm June 26<sup>th</sup>**
- Year End Fun Swim - **noon to 1pm June 27<sup>th</sup>**
- Report cards home by **June 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Field Trip Forms**

We have attached permission forms for the year end picnic and swim. Please return as soon as possible.

**Gwillim Camping**

Our annual Grade 6 & 7 camping trip was this week. Ms. Lindstrom took the students along with several parent volunteers. They had tons of fun! Thanks very much to the parent volunteers, we can't do this trip with you!

**Supplies List for Grade 4 - 7 Students**

We have attached a supplies list for Grade 4 - 7 students for next year. We are planning to keep basic supplies for students on hand next year and will be offering a punch card system so students can buy

what they run out of at the school.

Please **keep this on your fridge** for the summer. Kindergarten through to Grade 3 students do not need to buy supplies as the primary fee (**\$25**) they pay at the beginning of the year covers their supplies.

We have requested a supplies list for the Grade 7's going to Central Campus and hope to attach it to their final report cards. They should have it on their website soon as well.

**2012 - 2013 School Calendar**

We have attached a copy of the school calendar for next year for you to use to plan holidays and such.

June						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
					1 Hot dog day	2
3	4 Strong Start Pizza Day	5 preschool	6 Strong Start	7	8 Hot dog day	9
10	11 Strong Start Hip Hop Lessons Pizza Day	12 preschool windup picnic Hip Hop Lessons	13 Strong Start Hip Hop Lessons Grade 7 Farewell Tea 12:45 – 1:45 pm	14 Hip Hop Lessons PAC Meet 6:30 PM	15 Hot dog day Hip Hop Lessons	16
17	18 Strong Start Pizza Day	19	20 Strong Start	21	22 BBQ Fun Day	23
24	25 Strong Start Pizza Day Year end Assembly 10:30 am	26 Year end picnic at Mathews Park 11 – 1:30	27 Strong Start Report cards home Year end fun swim noon – 1pm	28 Last day of school for students	29 admin day for staff	30
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS! SCHOOL STARTS: Wednesday Sept 5<sup>th</sup> - 2 hours later than normal.</b>						