



School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson)
Parkcrest Elementary School

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Sunday, September 13, 2020

RE: Weekly Update September 14-18, 2020

Dear Parkcrest Parents,

We had a great couple of days meeting the new students and re-connecting with our former students this past week. Moving ahead, our focus will continue to be on revisiting our health and safety protocols and transitioning students back into classrooms and face to face instruction.

Moving ahead "Weekly Updates" will be posted on our school website under the Weekly Update tab.

https://parkcrest.sd73.bc.ca/en/whats-happening-news/weekly_updates.aspx

This is to avoid clogging up your "In Box". Mrs. Leggett and I will email you important information as it comes up. Please, look at the website regularly as well as the communication from your child's teacher.

Daily Entrance and Exit Procedures: School Hours are every day, 8:30-2:30

1. Ensure that you have reviewed the Health Screening process for your child each day. This does not need to be reported. If your child shows any signs or symptoms on the list they **CANNOT** come into the building.
2. Students will line up at their "entrance" door each morning. This is the same one that they lined up at after recess and lunch last week. This will also be the door that they leave from each day.
3. Students will wash their hands upon entering and exiting the school building.
4. If you are picking up your child, please find a place on the schoolground to meet them and arrange this with your child. **Our staff parking lot is not to be used for parent use please.**

A reminder that no parents are allowed in the building at this time unless previously scheduled with Mrs. Gorman or Mrs. Leggett. Prior to entering the building the following Visitor Protocol information needs to be reviewed.

<https://visinfo.sd73.bc.ca>

Bell Schedule

- 8:20 Warning Bell
- 8:30 Start of Day
- 10:05-10:20 Primary Recess
- 10:20-10:35 Intermediate Recess
- 11:50-12:16 Primaries eat Lunch/Intermediates outside for play
- 12:16-12:42 Primaries outside for play/Intermediates eat lunch
- 12:42 Warning Bell

- 12:47 Start of afternoon Session
- 2:30 End of Day

To support bus loading at the end of the day, bus students will be dismissed at 2:25.

Important Dates for the School Year

- Sept 28 Non-Instructional Day
- Sept. 30 Orange Shirt Day
- Oct. 1 Lifetouch School Photo Day
- Oct. 12 Thanksgiving
- Oct. 23 Non-Instructional Day
- Oct. 29 Come Read with Me : Grade 1 parents, more information to come home
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day
- Nov. 19 Early Closure Day for Parent Teacher Interviews. Students dismissed at 12:30.
- Dec. 7 Non-Instructional Day
- Dec. 18 Last day before Winter Break
- Jan. 4 School Back in session
- Feb. 5 Non-Instructional Day
- Feb. 15 Family Day Holiday
- March 15-19 Spring Break
- April 2 and April 5 Easter Holidays
- April 26 Non-Instructional Day
- May 21 Non-Instructional Day
- May 24 Victoria Day Holiday
- June 29 Last day of School: Dismissal 12:00

This Week:

- Monday: Kindergarten Interviews Continue
- Tuesday-Thursday: Kindergarten Gradual Entry
- Friday: Fire Drill in AM

Upcoming Information

Sept. 17 District Parent Engagement Online Session re: Pandemic

<https://parkcrest-calendar.sd73.bc.ca/Default/Detail/2020-09-17-1830-Parent-Engagement-Session>

Sept. 22 District Presentation: Let's Talk about ADHD Session

<https://parkcrest-calendar.sd73.bc.ca/Default/Detail/2020-09-22-1530-Lets-Talk-About-ADHD>

All of our Parkcrest staff look forward to an amazing year with your child(ren)!

Thank you,

Catherine Gorman, Principal

Joanne Leggett, Vice Principal