

CRAIGFLOWER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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June 24, 2015

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful, restful summer. It has been a very busy and productive year at Craigflower and I want to thank the entire school community for all of their assistance and support.

I would like to pass along a sincere thank you to the PAC group for their wonderful work on behalf of all of the students. I know that I share the sentiments of the staff when I say that Craigflower is a really wonderful place to work.

To our grade five students and to those students who will be attending other schools, I wish you all the best as you carry on your academic careers. The lessons you have learned at Craigflower will serve you well in all of your endeavors. To our returning students and parents, enjoy the summer and we will see you in September!!



Important Dates to Remember

Monday, August 26

Office opens for new registrations

Tuesday, September 8

School re-opens, students in grades 1 through 5 attend 9:00 - 11:30

Wednesday 9, September

First full day of school

Wednesday September 9 -

Friday, September 11

School Wide Cultural Activities

Friday, September 11

School Picnic

Friday, September 18

Terry Fox Run

Wednesday, September 23

Meet the Teacher

Friday, September 25

Feather Ceremony 9:15 a.m.

Monday, September 28

Professional Development Day

School not in Session

Staffing News

It is that time of the year when we say farewell to some of our staff as they move on to new challenges and new locations. I would like to extend our gratitude and best wishes on behalf of the staff, students, and parents to Ms. Devlin, Mr. Clazie, Mrs. Jardim, Mrs. Kittmer, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Richey, Ms. Rozon, Mrs. Stratford, Mr. Thistle, Mrs. Zucko. They will be greatly missed here at Craigflower.



I would like to say a special Thank You and Congratulations to Mr. Alex Clarke who is retiring. He has touched the lives of many

Craigflower students and will be greatly missed. Thank you Mr. Clark, for making Craigflower a better place.



Also leaving us this June is Mr. Scott Clazie, who has been a key member of our Administration Team. Mr. Clazie will be missed and I have appreciated his leadership, kind & friendly, manner as well as everything he has done for the school.

I would like to welcome our new Vice Principal, Ms. J. Dick. She is coming to us from Vic West. I have met with her a few times this year and know that she will fit right into our Craigflower Family.



Grade Five Assembly

Our Grade Five Assembly was held on Wednesday to a full house. It was wonderful to see so many parents, brothers and sisters, grandparents and friends attending to support our Grade Five students and celebrate their elementary school success

We wish all of our grade 5 students' great success in grade 6.

Craigflower Feast

Thursday, June 18th. It was a great event - great people, great food and great prizes. A special Thank You, to the committee, for organizing this successful event.

I would also like to thank our sponsors who graciously donated to our Feast:

Abraham Charlie
Aboriginal Nations Education
Alice Charlie
Art Charlie
Appletree Restaurant
Canadian Tire
Coast Capital Credit Union
Dylan Thomas
Dairy Queen
First Choice Hair Cutters
Gorge-ous Coffee
JamTots
Jaimee Devlin
Brenda Kohlruss
Letitia Annamalai
Lindsay Stead
Lisa Charles
Lynne Moorhouse
MLA Maurine Karagiannis
Margaret White
Margaret Gwyn
Nicole Mar
Nova Scotia Bank
Ocean River Adventures
Options Picture Framing
Pat Butler
Pharmasave Drug Store
Randall Garrison
Simplified - A Hair Shoppe
Starbucks Coffee, Gorge Plaza
That Lil Pasta Place
Thrifty Foods Admirals

Ryan Kessler Jersey was won by Draco, Jim Dick. Contratulations ☺. Thank you to everyone who supported this fund raiser.

Report Cards

Students will bring home their final report cards today. If you would like to discuss your child's report card with their teacher, please phone the school at 250-384-8157 to make an appointment. Teachers will be available on Friday to discuss any questions or concerns.

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Summer Office Hours

The school office will be open from August 31 - September 4th from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. If you move over the summer and will not be attending Craigflower in the fall, please call to inform the school as soon as possible. If you know of any new families moving in to our neighborhood that are needing to register, please advise them to come in to the school during the week of August 31st.

Opening Day, September 8th

Craigflower will follow the same routine as the rest of the District on the first day back to school in September. We will serve a pancake breakfast beginning at 9:00 a.m. - everyone is welcome.



9:00 - 11:30 **Grades 1-5**, students
in session

First Full Day, September 9th

Grades 1 - 5 will have their first full day and will need to bring a recess snack.

Kindergarten First Full Day, - September 10th

Kindergarten students will be contacted before September 10th to let them their schedule for their gradual entry.

All students will meet in grade groups (their new grade level) on the first day. They will meet in the following rooms:



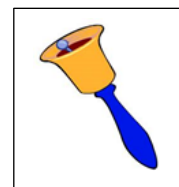
Kindergarten

It is extremely important that all students attend so that we have an accurate count of students who will be attending the school. If you will be returning late from vacation, please advise the office at your earliest convenience. It is imperative that we know our numbers as soon as possible so that we can arrange our classes for the year.

We would like to invite the parents for coffee and snacks while they wait for their child(ren). The location will be dependent upon the weather.

Bell Schedule

8:55	Welcome Bell
9:00	School Begins
10:30	Recess
10:45	School Resumes
12:10	Lunch (eat)
12:30	Lunch (play)
12:55	School Resumes
2:52	Dismissal



First Week of School

On the first week of school, Wednesday to Friday, September 9 - 11, we will be doing a cultural, community, team building week. We are already busy planning the many different activities for the students. If you have something to share with our students, a story, a craft, a game, a dance etc., and are willing to share it with our students, please let Mrs. MacFarlane know as soon as possible. You can email her at mmacfarlane@sd61.bc.ca as we will be planning over the summer. On Friday, September 12th, we will be having a family

picnic and will be serving hot dogs -
Everyone is welcome to attend. More
information with regards to this week will
be sent home in September.



KEY DATES FOR 2015-2016

Tuesday, September 8th
First Day of School 9 - 11:30
Pancake Breakfast

Wednesday, September 9th
First Full Day of School Gr. 1 - 5
8:55 - 2:52

Friday, September 11th
Family Picnic

Friday, September 18th
Terry Fox Run

Wednesday, September 23th
Meet the Teacher Night

Friday, September 25th
Feather Ceremony

Monday, September 28th
Professional Day - School not in
Session

Monday, October 12th
Thanksgiving Day - School not in
Session

Wednesday October 14th
Early Dismissal 12:10
Parent-Teacher Interviews

Thursday, October 22nd
Professional Day - School not in
Session

Friday, October 23rd
Professional Day - School not in
Session

Thursday, October 29th
Feather Ceremony

Friday, October 30th
Halloween Fun

Tuesday, November 10th
Remembrance Day Assembly 10:30

Wednesday, November 11
Remembrance Day- School not in
Session

Friday, November 20th
Professional Day - School not in
Session

Friday, November 27th
Feather Ceremony

Tuesday, December 8th
Term 1 Report Cards

Wednesday, December 16th
Christmas Concert

Friday, December 18th
Last Day before Winter Break

Monday, December 21st - Friday, January 1st
Winter Holiday

Monday, January 4th
School Re-opens

Friday, January 29th
Feather Ceremony

Monday, February 8th
Family Day -School not in Session

Friday, February 19th
Professional Day - School not in
Session

Friday, February 26th
Feather Ceremony

Wednesday, March 2nd
Preschool - READY, SET LEARN

Wednesday, March 9th
Term 2 Report Cards

Friday March 11th
Last day before Spring Break

Monday, March 14 - Monday, March 28th
Spring Break (& Easter)

Friday, April 29th
Feather Ceremony

Wednesday, May 4th
Early Dismissal 12:10
Student-Led Conferences

Monday, May 23rd
Victoria Day - School not in Session

Friday, May 27th
Feather Ceremony

Monday, May 30th
Professional Day - School not in
Session

Friday, June 17th
Sports Day

Wednesday, June 22nd
Gr. 5 Assembly

Thursday, June 23
Last Day of School
Community Picnic

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