

Newsletter – October 16 to 20, 2023

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Hello Families,

I hope everyone is having a lovely fall weekend. It is hard to believe that it is already the middle of October.

Soap for Hope made some donations to our school this past week so I wanted to thank them for the gifts.



Christmas Hamper Time – RK will be working with some local donors in the coming months. Please let us know if your family will need support. We will be trying to support families who we have not supported in the last couple of years, as the need is high and the number of donors is limited.

Weekly Photos and Events at Ruth King:



Many activities are happening here at Ruth King. Ms. McLachlan's class was exploring in the garden, Mr. Stephenson's class was experimenting with separating liquids and Ms. Chan's class was having fun on the playground. I will try to insert photos of every class throughout the year.

Important:

Please fill out the online consents (including media consent for photos so that I can include your child in our newsletters. Click here: <https://consent.sd62.bc.ca/apps/OnlineConsent>



Upcoming Events

October 16

Morning Meeting 8:45am (gym)

October 19

Great BC Shake Out Earthquake Drill – 10:19am

October 20

Pro D - Non-Instructional Day – No School

RK Playground Rules

-  Kind words
-  Gentle Hands Safe bodies
-  Playgrounds are for Climbing
-We stay off ramps, decks and railings-
-  Take care of equipment
-If you take it out, you bring it in-
-  Don't talk to strangers
-Or pet strange dogs-
-  Walk your wheels
-  Pets stay at home

Looking toward the Future...

October

- 26 Halloween Dance – sponsored by the PAC
- 27 Twin Day – find someone to dress alike
- 30 Morning Meeting 8:45am (gym)
- 31 Public Board Meeting - 7:00pm
- 31 Halloween – Orange & Black Day or Costumes

November

- 8 Indigenous Remembrance Day
- 9 School Photo Retake Day
- 10 Remembrance Day Assembly 10:45am
- 10 White Spot Lunch - PAC
- 13 Remembrance Day(observed) – No School
- 14 PAC Meeting – 6:30pm (virtual)
- 15 Fire Drill @ 1:30pm
- 17 Crazy Hair/Hat Day
- 17 – 23 Scholastic Book Fair
- 18 Ruth King Craft Fair (Saturday)
- 20 Morning Meeting 8:45am (gym)
- 23 Early Dismissal @ 11:23am Parent/Teacher Conf. if needed
- 24 Pro D - Non-Instructional Day – No School
- 28 Board Meeting - 7:00pm



Elder Earl started his visits this week. He will be teaching about the Coast Salish Moon and Creation Stories! This week he visited Ms. de Candole's class, Ms. van der Leeden's class, Ms. O'Neal's class and Ms. Fawcett's class.

SPORTS at RK

Handball games this week:

Boys play Millstream at Ruth King on Tuesday, October 17th at 3:00pm

Girls play David Cameron at Ruth King on Wednesday, October 18th at 3:00pm.



Reminders:

- Please remember to have a change of clothes back in their backpack in case of an accident
- Please send inside shoes as soon as possible – the wet weather is upon us and it helps keep our classroom clean.
- If your child arrives late to school (after the bell), please drop off your child at the front entrance on Jacklin Road. It is important that they are checked in and the attendance record is updated at the office. This is especially important in the event of an emergency to assure that your child is accounted for.
- When dropping off your child, **please refrain from parking in the staff parking spaces**. The spaces are clearly marked and we have limited space for our ever-growing staff.
- Please make sure to get your child to school on time as the morning is prime learning time. Also, please pick up your child promptly at 2:23pm or decide to have an adult here to do so. Thank you so much! Our staff appreciate this as they have other meetings etc. to attend after the bell.
- Thank you for helping keep our students, staff and families safe by staying home when you/your child is sick and then letting the office and the teacher know about the absences.
- Walking your wheels (bikes, rollerblades, scooters, skateboards etc.) on the school grounds is much appreciated.
- Please fill out the online consents (including media consent for photos and walking field trips, etc.) here: <https://consent.sd62.bc.ca/apps/OnlineConsent>