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Administrators' Message

It seems like we were just sitting for school pictures and taking part in the Terry Fox run in September, and yet here we are in June, with the end of the year mere weeks away! School is always such a busy place, and even more so when we're planning year-end activities and field trips.

June means saying goodbye to our grade six students, some of whom have been a part of our community for the past 7 years, and our leadership team in many ways. "New" or "old", we wish you each of you much success in middle school next year and hope that you will look back fondly upon your time here at Arthur Hatton Elementary.

As we draw to the end of another year, we would like to wish all of our students and their families a safe and enjoyable summer with plenty of sunshine, outdoor fun and great books to read! Enjoy some family time and partake in all the wonderful activities that our beautiful area has to offer.

The Capacity to Rebuild and Grow From Adversity

Research has established resilience as essential for human thriving, and an ability necessary for the development of healthy, adaptable young people. It's what enables children to emerge from challenging experiences with a positive sense of themselves and their futures. Children who develop resilience are better able to face disappointment, learn from failure, cope with loss, and adapt to change. We recognize resilience in children when we observe their determination, grit, and perseverance to tackle problems and cope with the emotional challenges of school and life. Resilience is not a genetic trait. It is derived from the ways that children learn to think and act when faced with obstacles large and small. The road to resilience comes first and foremost from children's supportive relationships with parents, teachers, and other caring adults. These relationships become sources of strength when children work through stressful situations and painful emotions. When we help young people cultivate an approach to life that views obstacles as a critical part of success, we help them develop resilience. Increasing the resilience in our students will be the main goal of our School Learning Plan for the next 5 years. There will be many strategies put into place to make this happen more consistently with a real push for next year. We are really looking forward to putting our new plan into place in the fall.

Staffing Next Year

Though all the staffing for next year is not yet completed, it is certain we will be seeing many changes in the fall. For starters, we will be increasing from 13 to 15 divisions and are working on planning and organizing to make this all happen. We are waiting to see who will be hired for some of our current job openings, as we have a number of postings at the

moment. One move that has been confirmed is that Mrs. Bradstock will be leaving Arthur Hatton to return to Clearwater as the principal in Blue River, Vavenby and Raft River Elementary Schools. The new VP for Arthur Hatton will be Mrs. Katrina Sewell. Hopefully by the end of June we'll mostly know what next year will look like! Along this same theme, if parents have an educational reason to request a specific classroom for their children next year, we ask that you submit this request in writing to Mrs. Piggan as soon as possible. We cannot guarantee that requests will be met, but we will consider them, based on the reason given and the needs of all. Please remember that our staffing is still not set, and there will be some teacher changes before September.

Year End Assembly

June 29th is the last day of school for the year. Students will be **dismissed at 12:30**, but before they go, we will have an end of the year assembly. The assembly will begin at 9:00 am and run for approximately an hour. After that, the students will have a recess break and return to their classrooms to finish making sure all is ready for them to depart. They will be handed their report cards at the very end and sent home at 12:30.

Dates to Remember in June

12th and 22nd - Eureka Science Presentations
14th - Denby visit to Wednesday Farmers Market
15th - Hickey, Bailey and Mulligan - Kamloops Wildlife Park
16th - Silva and Ross to Riverside Park
20th - Ross to Secwepemc Museum
20th - Parker and Denby- Visit to the Library
23rd - Strongstart Year End Celebration- MacDonald Park
23rd - Hickey and Bailey- Big Little Science Centre
27th - Bradstock and Zander to Wells Gray Park
28th - School Fun Day
29th - End of Year Assembly (9:00 am) - Last day for students (12:30 pm dismissal)

Track Meet

Results

Track season has now ended. Congratulations to all of our students who participated in the School, Zone, and District Meets. Zone participants were:

Tykes:

Dougie McBride, Alexis Kane-Pierro, Imani Berridge, Aiden Zeabin, Cayden Andrew, Justice Dyer, Dominic Brunette, Luke Nelson-Hoffman, Jesse Bartolozzi, Valedova Naynecassum, Sitarah Buksch, Lindsey Half, Gavin Halliday-Silver, Sarah Henton, Jacob Meyerscough, Jordan Ness, Maddison Petrie

PeeWee I:



Damian Bob, Dimitri Sarver, Logan Turigan, William White, Xzavier Winchester, Cahle Poynting, Amber Spinks, Raidin Petrie, Aaron McGrath, Christian Beesley, Zach Cahoon, Carter Ebach, Shelby Mackie-Fonos, Dakota Majeau, Autumn Poole, Lain Pruden

PeeWee II:

Tia Swan, Sourish Rajesh Kanna, Kaylee Moss, Kaytlin McBride, Rylee Lake, Kynan Koffi, Kyrille Fiel, Amrit Bains, Amal Al-Hariri, Damon Brunette, Aidan Casey, Chaz Huggins, Kimberly Fraser, Quinton Ormiston, Jamie Quinney, Oliver Rawlings, Lani Thoobsaree, Ethan Walsh

In addition, a big thank-you to student helpers Dylan Green, Talon Jagodnik, Kenny James and Quinton Ormiston, as well as to the teachers Ms. Zander, Mr. Denby and Ms. Parker. We really appreciate the work you all put in to allow us to get to the Zones! Out of the approximately 50 students who took part in the Zone Meet, 11 of them placed in a position to move on to the District Track Meet on May 27th. These were: Imani Berridge, Justice Dyer, Sitarah Buksh, Sarah Henton, Lani Thoobsaree, Alexis Kane-Pierro, Amrit Bains, Carter Ebach, Jamie Quinney, Oliver Rawlings, and Gavin Halliday-Silver. Earning a place in the District finals is a very tough thing to do, as these children are the strongest competitors in the entire District! Way to go, Arthur Hatton students!

Jump Rope for Heart

On April 28th, Arthur Hatton participated in Jump Rope for Heart and Stroke to help raise funds for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. We had a couple of interesting events leading up to our afternoon of jumping; a presentation by a Heart and Stroke representative, and then a performance by the Bert Edwards skipping team. Both were appreciated and help our students get excited about our event.

We set a goal to try and raise \$1,500.00 and felt that it would be a real challenge to reach, but we were oh, so wrong! Our amazing kids smashed that goal and just kept going. When all of the money was totaled, it turned out that Arthur Hatton would be donating \$3,474.85. What an amazing job!

Thanks to everyone in our community who donated to help our kids make this fabulous contribution.

Lost and Found

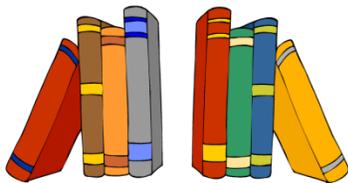
From now until the last week of school, all lost and found items will be on display on tables outside the gym. PLEASE take the time to come into the school and have a look at all of the lost and found items to check and see if any of them belong to your children. You might be surprised at what shows up!

After school is done, all items will be donated to Found 4 Kids.

Book Returns

Please help your children find and return all library books, textbooks, and other resources that belong to the school.

Even books that might be in your homes from students who are now at the middle school would be welcomed back to Arthur Hatton! Though the number of overdue books is steadily dropping (thank you!), we still have many missing books and would like to have them back as soon as we can. Special thanks to parents who have already paid for lost and damaged books. Monday the 19th would be a great final day to return any text or library books that might still be at home.



Eureka Science Program

We are looking forward to hosting a couple of days of Science Activities presented by the Eureka facilitators. They will be visiting our school on June 12th and again on June 22nd. Their presentations are always interesting, and a lot of fun!

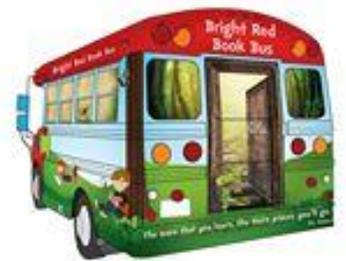
Eureka will also be offering Science Camps at TRU.

Please read the following information if you are interested in having your child attend: **SUMMER**

CAMPS: If you are between the ages of 7-13, then you may come and join us for a week long, fun filled science camp (***) Age is based on the child's age by Dec. 31 this year(***). During a week of camp you will be able to: participate in several hands-on science activities; watch an explosion-filled chemistry magic show; soak over 90 other people in a water fight; and invite your family to join you for a celebration of the week at a BBQ on Friday. This summer EUREKA! will be offering 7 weeks of technology camp! **CONTACT US:** Phone (250) 371-5534 Fax: (250) 828-5450 Email: eureka@tru.ca

Summer Reading

Children and teens who don't read and write outside of school, especially during long breaks such as summer vacation, face a big loss in their literacy growth compared to those who continue learning all year long. Please see the attached page about Summer Reading for ideas that can be used to help your children maintain their reading levels through the summer and for the schedule of the Big Red Book Bus.



Thank You Independent Grocer

All year long, we have been collecting receipts from Independent Grocer. They very generously offer us gift cards when we return a certain value of receipts. Parents, leadership students, and volunteers collate and add up the numbers, and the gift cards we receive help us to offer meals and snacks to our students when they need them. A huge thank you to all involved, as we could not do all that we do without all the help we get!

Parent Advisory Council

On behalf of all of the staff at Arthur Hatton, we want to thank this wonderful group of people for bringing so much positive energy to our school community this past year. Our PAC spent an incredible amount of time and energy supporting the learning in our school and working together with staff to help us provide for our students. For those of you who have never attended a PAC meeting, we encourage you to attend one if at all possible. The PAC meets regularly because they care about our students. They talk about ways to raise funds for school improvement, and they plan activities that build community spirit. They are dedicated individuals and would welcome all parents who wish to be involved, even if it is just attending the meetings to find out what is going on.

PAC Message

Fun Fair plans are well underway and we are looking forward to a very exciting evening. The date of the Fun Fair is June 23rd, 2017. The Fair will run from 4:00 pm until 6:30pm.

Event tickets will be 50 cents each, or a book of 12 tickets for \$5.00. Tickets will be available for purchase the night of the fair. Events include face painting, bouncy castles, zorb balls, petting zoo, as well as many

other activities. We will also be having a cake walk and a white elephant sale.

A BBQ dinner of hot dogs and hamburgers will start at 4pm, and run until 6:30pm (or when the food runs out)

REQUEST FOR HELP:

At this time we would like to ask for contributions from our school community for this event. All money raised will go towards supporting students here at our school, such as replacing school equipment or funding field trips. The areas in which we require help are:

Cake Walk: We need baked items – cakes and cupcakes for our cake walk. Forms for the cake walk can be found on the PAC Board outside the office. On June 23rd please bring the baked goods to the Foods Room.

White Elephant Sale: There will be a box outside the front office for donations (gently used items):

housewares, games, videos, toys, sporting goods, books, etc. Also, any items may be left with Mrs. Mulligan in room 13. Only cash will be accepted to purchase any items on the night of the Fun Fair.

Volunteers Needed: If you are interested in volunteering your time at a station please email arthurhattonpac@hotmail.com, or fill out a volunteer sheet located at the PAC bulletin board beside the office.



Fun Summer Reading!

Research shows that children who read over the summer maintain or improve their reading skills. Summer reading helps children feel confident and ready for September!

Parents and children might wish to try these ways to make reading fun:

2017 BC Summer Reading Club

Children are encouraged to join the BC Summer Reading Club at their local **TNRD Library**. This year's theme is **Walk on the Wild Side!** It runs July 3 to August 26. Children try to read every day and record their reading in a booklet. When they visit the library, they can receive stickers for books read and enter draws for prizes. Registration at your public library opens June 12.

Bright Red Book Bus

The **Bright Red Book Bus** (BRBB) will be visiting several Kamloops schools and various parks in July and August. Children are invited to tour the cool bus and select a book each time they come. There are many great new titles! They may keep these books or return them another week. Come to hear a story or read with your child. Children can even pick up their TNRD Library Walk on the Wild Side! stickers here.

The Bright Red Book bus will be at Arthur Hatton every Wednesday from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm through July and August.

Visit Facebook to learn more and see the schedule:

<https://www.facebook.com/brightredbookbus/>

Online books

Online books work well when children are on the move, and they can be engaging. Here are some resources that share books for free:

Epic! is an eBook library for children up to 12, and it works on most devices. There are a lot of interesting books and some have audio. It offers free access for one month (usually \$4.99)

Register here : <https://www.getepic.com/>

Unite for Literacy is an eBook library for early readers. These books are about real-life experiences and have photograph illustrations. All books are in English, but they can be listened to in many other languages:

<http://www.uniteforliteracy.com/>



Wonderopolis has short, interesting articles about all sorts of scientific wonders older children may have. Each wonder has a brief, engaging video to introduce the topic:

<http://wonderopolis.org/>

Happy Summer Reading!

Youth & Substance Use

Harm Reduction Awareness Evening

Tuesday, June 27th at Henry Grube Education Centre

Free Event for Parents and Youth

Free snacks, resources and give-aways

Community Presentations and Panel 6pm – 8pm

By Phoenix Centre, RCMP, School District 73, Interior Chemical Dependency Office, C&C resources for Life, Child & Youth Mental Health and Tk'emlups te Secwepemc

Naloxone Information 8pm to 9pm

By Nurses from Qwemstin Health Society, Phoenix Centre, and Interior Chemical Dependency Office





Board Notes

From the Public Board Meeting of: May 29, 2017

1. The Board approved the Consent Agenda with the following items:
 - District Parent Advisory Committee Highlights
 - Summer Learning
 - Video Surveillance
2. The Board was pleased to recognize the work of Manager of Health and Safety Michelle Marginet as she moves into retirement.
3. The Board received a presentation on Critical Media Literacies, a BAA course, from Principal Brewer, Teacher Jordan Smith, and five students from Four Directions. Alexis Brown was also recognized for her work with this course.
4. The Board received a presentation from the Kamloops Thompson Teachers' Association President David Komljenovic and Aboriginal Education Chair Brenda Celesta regarding Aboriginal education, the Secwepemc language program, and First Nations Worldview.
5. Aboriginal Education Council Administrator Judy Dunn, District Principal Cheryl Sebastian, and Aboriginal Friendship Society President Rick Turner presented the 2015-2016 Annual Report on Aboriginal Students. This marks the twenty-first year this report has been prepared.
6. The Board received and approved a report on the Student Learning Grant by Director of Instruction Lisa Carson which outlines the process for the allocation of grant dollars, as well as the base level and rural enhancement allocations.
7. The Board adopted revised Policy 1103.2 Maintenance of Order.

The next Regular Public Board Meeting will occur on Monday, June 19, 2017 at the School Board Office, 1383 Ninth Avenue, Kamloops, BC.