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October 2017



Up Coming Events	
Monday, Nov 6 th	Early Closure – 12:30pm
Friday, Nov 13 th	Remembrance day
Tuesday, Nov 14 th	Come Read with Me
Monday, Dec 4 th	Non-Instructional day
Winter Vacation Period	Dec 25 th – Jan 5 th
Monday, Jan 8 th	School Re-opens

Meals - Lunch Program

Just a reminder to parents, that lunch forms need to be filled out each and every month. Do not assume that your child's participation one month will continue to the next. The payment should be included with the form or arrangements with admin needs to be made. Please hand in the forms on the date specified as the catering company needs the totals to order the food.

Overviews

Your child should be coming home with an overview that will explain what your child will be learning this term. Report cards will be coming home in December and will indicate your child's achievement during the first term. If you have any questions about the overview or how your child is performing in school, please contact your child's teacher.

School Sports

Volleyball season has begun. We have one tier 3 team, coached by Mrs. Pineo. Students are very excited to be playing and have had a great start to their season. The league play will run until Friday November 18th.

School Supplies

School fees are now due. We do appreciate all the parents who have paid. If you have not yet paid for fees, please try to complete this as soon as possible. If any parent requires a special payment program, please contact the office.

Terry Fox Run

We were pleased to hold the Terry Fox Run again this year. Terry Fox is a true Canadian hero who made the ultimate sacrifice in his attempt to run across Canada. Arthur Hatton students have a long tradition of enthusiastically running for this cause. Through the many generous donations we managed to raise \$328.45.

Come Read With Me

Literacy in Kamloops (LinK) is excited to offer the **Come Read with Me** program this year for parents and caregivers of grade 1 students in partnership with their teachers. In this 90-minute session, parents learn a variety of strategies to support their child(ren) with home reading and assist with building a home-school connection. Parents go home with many new strategies and a bag full of materials including a new book, sight word cards, word games, foam dice, a bookmark, and more.

At Arthur Hatton, Come Read with Me will be presented in the library on November 14th, and will run from 8:30am until approximately 9:45pm. We would LOVE to see all of our Grade 1 parents at this extremely worthwhile workshop! Please look for the sign-up sheet that will come home with all Grade 1 students.

Administrators' Message

Happy October! Thank you for your support in making the beginning of the year so successful. We began the year with an emphasis on our 3 R's matrix – Responsible, Respectful, and Resilient. Students were lead through many lessons and activities which focused on expected behaviours. Now students are into the regular routines of their class, and I am excited to see all the engaging activities that are going on in our school and classrooms. The staff and I want to thank you for getting your children here consistently and on time, which always helps with the daily learning.

Safe Arrival

Parents are asked to call the Safe Arrival number (1-844-350-2647) if their child is going to be absent from or late for school. You can call the number at any time the night before, but if you wish to miss the call out program, the system must be notified before 8:30am

Halloween

Once again, we are allowing children to come to school with their costumes. However, students will not be allowed to bring or wear masks, have props or toys that resemble weapons, and we encourage parents to supervise the costume selection to ensure it is appropriate for the school setting. Please make sure you check with your child's teacher to get specific information about the day.

PAC has generously offered to sponsor a Halloween Dance. Primary students will dance from 12:15pm – 12:45pm, Intermediate students will be invited to dance from 1:00pm – 2:15pm. The dance is free of charge to enter, but there will be a concession in which students who bring change may buy some goodies.

Early Dismissal and Parent/Teacher Conferences

We will have an early closure day on November 6th in order to host parent/teacher conferences. Students will be dismissed at 12:30pm on this day, so please make arrangements for the early pick up. Teachers will either set up meeting times, or will send home written interim reports. If you have not heard from your child's teacher about a meeting, please feel free to contact them and request one.

Grocery Receipts

We continue to collect Independent Grocer grocery receipts. For every \$5,000 in receipts, we receive a \$20 gift card which we use to support or breakfast, snack and lunch programs at the school. There are bins at either end of the school, or they may be dropped off at the office.

Breakfast Program Cook

We are looking for a parent or community member to come in three mornings a week to cook a hot breakfast for our Power Start program. The individual would need to be available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 7:30am - 9:30pm. An honorarium is offered for this position. If you are interested, please contact the office.

Staff Parking Lot

Just a reminder to parents/guardians that the parking lot in front of the school is STAFF parking ONLY. We have a large staff and limited parking spaces so please do NOT park in the staff parking lot. This location is also not a good place for student drop off, students should be dropped off along Schubert Drive. Thank you for your consideration.

After School

There is no direct supervision of students after 3:00pm at Arthur Hatton, unless your child is part of a school sports team, or part of the after school programs. As such, students who do not have a parent or caregiver watching them on the school grounds after school need to go immediately home once they are dismissed. In addition, if students are wanting to organize play dates with friends, these plans are not to be made with the office phone after school.

Scent Aware School

We have staff members and students who are severely allergic to fragrant smells, cigarette smells, room deodorizer smells among other smells. Please try to remember not to wear perfume or cologne when coming into our school.

School Daily Schedule

8:20am	Warning Bell – doors open
8:30am	Morning classes begin
9:55am	Recess starts
10:10am	Recess ends
11:50pm	Lunch break – Primary students eat
12:30pm	Lunch break – Inter. students eat
12:50pm	Afternoon classes begin
2:30pm	Students dismissed

Brrr.... It's getting chilly outside



We are noticing that some of our students are not dressed appropriately for the cooler weather. Please remember that the school doors do not open until 8:20, and students will be outside for both recess and lunch. Let's get those sweaters and jackets out.

To help prepare our students for this, we are having our first theme day of the year. Nov. 17 will be crazy toque/sweater day.

Indigo Fundraiser at Chapter's Bookstore



On Thursday November 9, 2017, Arthur Hatton will be hosting a night at Chapter's bookstore in Aberdeen. The event is from 6:00pm to 8:30pm, where anyone who comes into the store to purchase books and has identified as supporting Arthur Hatton, will see 15% of their sales go to the school.

Before this day arrives there is another opportunity to help out our library. You can purchase gift cards online and 20% of the sales of the gift cards go to our school. The best part is that you can then use the gift cards to make your purchases at the store on November 9th and the school will still get the additional 15%. So the best way is to purchase the gift cards before you attend the event.

To purchase gift cards you visit indigo.ca and go to gift cards tab. Then select the type and style of gift card that you want. Enter in the amount you want in the gift card, then add your purchase to the cart and proceed to pay. You will need a credit card or other form of online payment so make sure you have that information available.

Parent Volunteers

It is always great to have parents in the school supporting their child's learning. We ask that, if you are interested in coming in to help out, you make prior arrangements with the classroom teacher so that the teacher can plan for you, and that you have a task to do while you are here. As well, we ask that all volunteers or guests to our school sign in at the office.

PAC meeting

November meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 8th, starting at 6pm in the library. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

Next PAC hot lunch is Nov. 16th and we will be having breakfast for lunch day. The PAC will cook pancakes and sausages. Watch for order forms coming home soon.

Please join us for our 2nd Annual Craft Fair November 19th from 10:00am to 2:00pm in our school gym. We will have lots of exciting crafters and home based businesses as well as 50/50 and a concession on site. Please add it to your schedule and come out and support.

Upcoming fundraisers:



Please watch for Purdy's coming home in the next few days. We will also be selling Gary's Sausage just in time for Christmas. Look for those order forms mid November.