



Arthur Hatton Elementary

November Newsletter

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Welcome Fall



Administrators' Message

Thank you to all families for attending our parent/teacher interviews. Our teaching staff appreciates your support and interest in the student's learning. As the weather gets colder, please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately. This upcoming month, we shift our focus to remembering those individuals who have protected our country and helped to keep Canada a safe place to live. Thank you to Ms. Zander's class for creating a display and virtual presentation.

Parent Visitors

Please note that due to COVID-19 precautions visitor access to our building is limited. If you wish to enter the

building you must book an appointment and wear a mask. We appreciate your help in keeping our building as safe as possible during this pandemic. This means that students should be dropped-off at the entrance door and enter the building on their own.

Upcoming Dates

Nov. 4	Photo Retakes
Nov. 10	PAC Pizza day
Nov. 11	No school
Dec. 7	ProD Day no classes
Dec. 18	Last Day before Winter Break
Jan. 4	Back to school

Parent Contact Information

It happens more than you'd imagine. We need to contact a child's parent for any number of reasons, but when we go into the computer system with all of the information like phone numbers, we soon find out that these numbers are no longer valid. In the best of circumstances it's a minor inconvenience, and one we can figure out given time. But what about in other circumstances? From time to time we do encounter emergency situations, where it is important to be able to reach parents/guardians immediately. If phone numbers are not current - what then? PLEASE make sure that the phone numbers we have to contact parents, guardians and alternatives, are current as of right now. If your number has changed in the last few weeks or months, or you have recently moved, call Mrs. Hicks and give her your new contact information. We'd rather have it twice than find out we don't have it at all just at the moment we need it the most! Thank you for your cooperation!

Safe Arrival



School District No. 73
(Kamloops/Thompson)

Student Absence Reporting

To report your child's absence
please call this toll free number
before 8:30am
1-844-350-2647
or visit ktsd.schoolconnects.com

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Safe ARRIVAL

Please remember that all student absences and late arrivals must be reported by 8:30 am by calling 1-844-350-2647 or by visiting ktsd.schoolconnects.com. Please do not call the school directly. All absences or late arrivals that have not been reported before 8:30 am will initiate the School District's safe arrival system to call home and cell phone numbers up to 5 times until a parent is reached and a response is given.

School Supplies

Please check to see that you have remembered to pay for your child's school supplies for 2020/21. These supplies have come out of our regular school budget and if our costs are not covered by home payments, then the school has used money that might otherwise be used to cover things such as art supplies, textbooks, field trips and/or photocopying. If you are finding it difficult to pay for school supplies, please speak with Mrs. Hicks in the office, and we will try to work with you to find a way to manage; perhaps a payment plan can be set up. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Cooler Weather Reminders

Please work with your child to help them be prepared for spending their break times outdoors. Students are outside in the mornings before school, during

recess, and during lunch. Hats, gloves or mittens are definitely musts! We would ask that all children also have boots to wear outside, and appropriate shoes to change into for wear inside, including in gym classes. It would also be helpful for them to have layers that they can add or remove according to inside and outside temperatures. When/if the weather becomes really extreme, we will judge on a day by day basis as to if a day is an inside or an outside day. Thanks for helping!

News from the PAC

We would like to invite all to join the PAC meeting on Tuesday, November 10th, at 9:30 am, in the school library. Please make sure to wear a mask and sign in at the office upon entering.

Next PAC hot lunch is Fresh Slice Pizza on November 10th.

Watch for our upcoming fundraisers for Gary's Deli and Purdy's Chocolates. Details to follow later this month.



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