

June 2017

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

What an amazing year!! Our school community came together like no other year and we achieved so much together. I'd like to thank our students, parents and teachers for helping us having an outstanding year. With the implementation of our school-wide PEAK program, I feel as though we were able to take our culture of care and kindness to a new level. I am so proud of our school's positive culture, which makes Webster's Corners Elementary a lovely place to learn and to work.

Unfortunately, June also means that we have to say goodbye to some of our staff as they move on to different assignments for the next school year. We will dearly miss Mrs. Birch and Ms. Ng as they prepare to take on new teaching assignments at other schools for next year. We're also very sad to say goodbye to Mrs. Touhey, Mrs. Coutino, Mrs. Secord and Mr. Deane-Freeman. Mr. Wickham and Mrs. Carver will also be leaving due to the fact that their temporary contracts end in June.

Colleen Oldham, one of our long-serving PAC executive members, will also be leaving Webster's as she has "graduated" from our school. Colleen has given us many years of dedicated service and we will miss her greatly as her son moves on to high school. Thank you, Colleen, for all you have done for Webster's.

I would also like to thank our PAC and our parent volunteers, without whom we would not have the kind of caring school community that is Webster's. You have to look no further than how everyone pulled together to make our recent school-wide shoreline cleanup such a success. This wonderful experience, as well as many other events, would simply not be possible without the tremendous help from our parent community; I am so very grateful to you all.

I'd like to congratulate and introduce our new PAC executive for the 2017/18 school year: Jessica Underwood, Chair; Sarah Bunten, Vice-Chair, Katia Gailans, Treasurer, DPAC Representative, Paula Blamey; Amanda Murray, Secretary. I wish you well in your new roles and thank you, in advance, for your commitment to our school.

Webster's is continuing to grow and, for the 2017/18 school year, we will be adding a new division, with our population growing to about 218 students. Please do keep in mind that numbers fluctuate quite a bit between now and September. As a result, final class configurations will not happen until the first full week of classes in September.

Thank you again to everyone in our community for a fabulous year! It's wonderful for me, as the principal of Webster's, to see how excited our staff is already about our plans for next school year's PEAK program. We have such a dedicated and caring group of staff at Webster's that I'm not surprised at the level of commitment they've shown, in striving to continue to improve our program. Your children will continue to benefit from all of the hard work our staff provide on a daily basis, next school year. In the meantime, I wish all of you a wonderful summer break and hope that you're able to spend some fun times with family and friends.

Mr. Mehrassa



<u>JUNE</u> <u>BIRTHDAYS</u>

Happy Birthday to: Setayesh, Connor, Warner, Owen, Carson, Yuma,

Alana, Steven, Tanner W., Tristan, Collin, Trinity, Sydney, Jana, Lili, Henry, Jacob S., Malaya and Moises.

SUMMER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following students who will be celebrating their birthday in July or August: Emma G., Maddie, Jackson, Danica, Ibrahim, Kiana, Hunter, Maggie, Jordan, Keira, Briana, Sadie, Tanner, James, Mehran, Emily E., Tyler, Nia, Dania, Kennedy, Zeenat, Jensen, Alex E. , Alina, Logan, Garrett, Addisyn, Ethan, Daniel, Reece, Aoibhin, Liam, Brooklyn, Zachary, Daniel F., Kali, Grayson and Bryson.

<u>ROARS</u>

Congratulations to the following students who received ROARS at the June assembly:

- Div. 1: Jordan B., Phoebe, Taryn, Emma G. Parsa, Shunan and Anna
- Div. 2: Quinn, Mackenzie L. and Tristan
- Div. 3: Harvey, Garrett, Mohammad, Maggie, Logan and Sofia
- Div. 4: Adam, Austin, Ethan and Kaitlyn
- Div. 5: Delylah, Aiden, Kyra and Blake
- Div. 6 Emily, Steven, Oceanna & David
- Div. 7: Maggie, Warner, Keira, Collin and Chase
- Div. 8: Hailey, Kavan and Bryson

TRACK & FIELD

Congratulations to our athletes

We had a terrific turnout for track & field this year, with over 45 students qualifying for the event at MRSS. Thank you to our teachers as well for the twice weekly practices in April and May. We were definitely better prepared this year.

Well done to the following students for placing in their individual events: Hannah Mackenzie – 1^{st} place 100M race (grade 6 girls) Rylan Mallais – 2^{nd} place high jump (grade 6 boys) Phoebe Olson – 2^{nd} place high jump (grade 6

Phoebe Olson – 2nd place high jump (grade 6 girls); 5th place 100M race (grade 6 girls)

LIBRARY

All library books are now due back. It would be great if you could please take a minute to look under your child's bed and in their special hiding spots for library books. Then please have your child return them to the school. Amounts owing for books not yet handed in will be sent home with your child shortly.

SUPPLIES FOR STUDENTS

As mentioned earlier this month, all students will be asked to pay a \$47.50 fee for their yearly classroom supplies. Since the purchase of the supplies represents a rather large sum of money to be paid upfront by the school, we would appreciate it if parents of students are able to make the \$47.50 payment to the school as soon as possible. Payments can be made online via the portal or cheques can be made out to "Webster's Corners Elementary". Thank you for your assistance.

YEARBOOKS

The School Yearbooks will be arriving shortly for those that ordered them.

ARE YOU MOVING?

If your child(ren) will be attending a different school in September or if your family is moving over the summer, please let the office know ASAP. If an unexpected move occurs over the summer which will necessitate a change of schools, we would really appreciate knowing. If the office is closed, leave a message on the answering machine with details. The office will reopen during the last week of August.

PICK UP MEDICATIONS

Have you sent any medication for your child to school? (i.e. Benadryl, Advil, prescription

medications, EPIPEN etc.) Please come to the office on the last day of school to pick up your child's medication. Any medication, which has not been collected, will be available for pick up in September.

Upcoming Dates

June 13	Cultus Lake Waterslides
June 14	Div. 1 Plant Walk
June 16	PEAK Your Interest
	Day – 10:30-12:00
June 19	Grade 7 Day at Loon
	Lake
June 19	Volunteering at the
	Caring Place (11:40-
	1:15)
June 21	Grade 7 Leaving
	Ceremony
June 22	Div 1 picnic w/penpals
June 23	Multiples Day
June 23	PEAK Sundae party
June 26	Goodbye Assembly at
	10:45
June 26	Volunteering at the
	Caring Place (11:40-
	1:15)
June 27	Fun Day (10:30-2:00)
June 29	Last Day for Students
	(early dismissal at
	12:00)
Sept. 5	First day of school –
	Early dismissal at 11:00

FIRST DAY BACK: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Students will be dismissed early on the first day. School begins at 8:30am and dismissal will be at11:00am.

RETURNING students will go to last year's classroom and/or teacher.

NEW students will meet in the library. If your child will be absent on the first day of school, please let the office know. This will help us when we are confirming students and finalizing classes for the first full week back.

<u>PAC</u>

The PAC at Webster's Corners Elementary is an integral part of our school community and donates their time and effort in order to provide a more positive school experience for our students. Our PAC is in charge of planning and hosting many school events and fundraisers. In the past, the PAC has contributed in part or in whole toward activities such as the school Pancake Breakfasts, our annual Fun Day, funds for Water slides, as well as contributing to school improvement projects, such as our new school mural.

PAC meetings will be held the second Wednesday of the month at 8:45 am in the library. Our first PAC meeting of the 2017/18 school year will be on September 13th. Please check the Parent board in the front of the school for the yearly schedule. Our PAC is very welcoming and eager to have new members. For more information, please contact the PAC Executive by emailing them at the following email

address: websterscornerspac@hotmail.ca

PAC EXECUTIVE (2017/2018)

Chair: Jessica Underwood

Vice-Chair: Sarah Bunten

Treasurer: Katia Gailans

DPAC Rep.: Paula Blamey

Secretary: Amanda Murray

THE FAMILY EDUCATION & SUPORT CENTRE



PRESENTS "I AM AWESOME" SUMMER DAY



CAMP

The Family Education and Support Center is thrilled to present "I am Awesome". This course is designed to help young individuals with communication styles, triggers, "I" statements, looking at their special inner qualities, how to deal with stress and how to be a friend. We believe that if young people today have the knowledge and skills to believe in themselves then their capabilities are endless. This a special chance for 11-15 year olds to mentor those younger in the skills that they have learned in the first part of the course all supervised under an extremely qualified facilitator.

Price: Mentors: 11-15 yrs old \$175.

Kids: 6-9 yr olds \$86.

Dates: <u>Mentors : 11-15yrs old</u>: 8am-12pm Mon-Thurs July 17-20 & 24-27 , 2017

<u>Kids: 6-9yrs old</u>: 8am-12pm Mon-Thurs July 24-27 2017

Location: The Family Education and Support Centre 22554 Lougheed Hwy Maple Ridge, BC V2X 2V1 Tel: (604)467-6055



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Webster's Corners School Calendar 2017-2018

School opening day for studentsTuesday, September 5, 2017Non-instructional day (curriculum implementation day)Monday, September 25, 2017Thanksgiving DayMonday, October 9, 2017Non-instructional day (province-wide)Friday, October 20, 2017Non-instructional day (school-based)Thursday, November 9, 2017Remembrance DayFriday, November 10, 2017
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Reporting Conferences early dismissal at 11:30 Thursday, December 7, 2017
Reporting Conferences all day – classes not in sessionFriday, December 8 2017
Monday December 25, 2017 to
Winter break Friday, January 5, 2017 to
Schools reopen after Winter break Monday, January 8, 2018
Non-instructional day (district) Friday, January 26, 2018
Schools Not in Session Friday, February 9, 2018
Family DayMonday, February 12, 2018
Non-instructional day (curriculum implementation day) Tuesday, February 13, 2018
Reporting conferences – early dismissal at 11:30Thursday, March 1, 2018
Reporting Conferences all day – classes not in sessionFriday, March 2, 2018
Schools close for Spring break Friday, March 9, 2018
Schools Not in Session Monday, March 12, 2018 to Friday, March 16, 2018
Spring break Monday, March 19, 2018 to Friday, March 23, 2018
Schools reopen after Spring break Monday, March 26, 2018
Good Friday Friday, March 30, 2018
Easter Monday, April 2, 2018
Non-instructional day (school-based) Monday, April 30, 2018
Victoria Day Monday, May 21, 2018
Non-instructional day (district) Tuesday, May 22, 2018
Last day for students Wednesday, June 27, 2018
Year-end administrative day Thursday, June 28, 2018
Schools close for Summer vacation Thursday, June 28, 2018