

Springwood Elementary School

Newsletter #3 September 28, 2023



Message From Principal

As the weather get a little colder and damp please be sure to send a change of clothes with your child and be sure to have indoor shoes at school to change into.

A few reminders: We have a couple of long weekends coming up.

No school **Monday October 2nd, 2023** in Recognition of National Day of Truth & Reconciliation

No School **Monday October 9th, 2023** - Thanksgiving Day

Fall Parent Teacher Conferences – October 11th & 12th, 2023

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Wednesday October 11th - 4:30 - 7:00 pm and Thursday October 12th - 3:00 - 5:30 pm. Parent Teacher Conferences will be open for



booking appts September 29 , 2023. If you need any help making an appointment please call the office 250-248-2038.

We are offering 1 option this term:

IN PERSON:

1. Go to our school appointments web site by clicking School Appointments 2. Register for an account by clicking the "REGISTER" menu tab and filling in the on-line form. Choose a user id and password for yourself and then click the "Register Now" button. 3. Add your children into the system by clicking the "Add a Student" button. Click "Insert New" button to add more children. 4. Click the "date" icon beside each child's name to schedule appointments. Select the staff you wish to book appointments with and the "View Calendars" button. Use the "Ctrl" or "Command" key to select multiple staff to view at the same time. 5. Click on available time slots to book your appointments and then click the "Book Appointments" button to save your bookings.

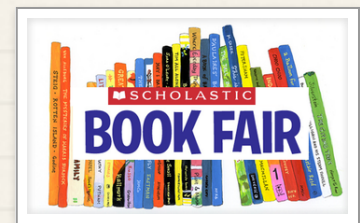
Fall Book Fair – October 11th & 12th, 2023

Fall Book Fair!

Book Fairs help to purchase current books and supplies for the Springwood library. The Book Fair will be held on the same days as the Parent Teacher Conferences. **Come in afterschool on**

Wednesday October 11th from 3:00-6:00 pm or Thursday

October 12th from 3:00-5:00 pm. Books, posters and boutique items will be available, and items may be purchased with cash, debit or credit cards. There will also be an opportunity for purchases by students on Wednesday or Thursday (times to be determined according to volunteer availability). Thank you for your support!



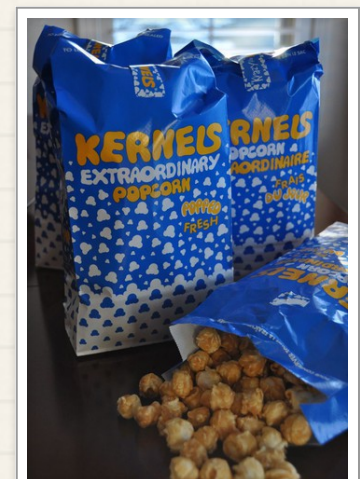
Grad Sprit Wear Orders

Grad Spirit Wear (Grade 7) Hoodies, orders are **DUE FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29th, 2023.** Order on line or at front office.

Thank you

POPCORN SALES – Every Wednesday– STARTING October 11th

Popcorn Wednesdays at lunch recess outside the Foods Room window. \$2.00 per bag!



Forms

All students have been given a lot of information in the first few weeks of school, including very important forms that need to be completed and signed by the legal guardian/parent. Please complete and return the following forms to your students classroom teacher as soon as possible:

1. Student Verification Forms (Gold Paper)
2. Annual Update - Emergency Release and Health Information (Purple Paper).

Thank you

Fall Choir Starting September 27th

Mrs. Burn will be starting a Springwood Choir for students for grades 4,5, 6,7 on Wednesday, September 27. All students from these classes are welcome to attend. The choir will be held in the band/music room from 8:15 – 8:45. Students can come into choir even if they arrive at school a little later, but once they are in the choir room they must stay until the end of each session. If you miss the first choir practice, please come the next week. Please drop your backpacks, shoes and coats in the hall outside the music/band room. Welcome to choir! Come and have a great singing time.



Mrs. Burn

CSL – Communicating Student Learning

Communicating Student Learning
Information for Parents and Caregivers

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/kindergarten-to-grade-12/english-communicating-student-learning-information-for-parents-and-caregivers-package.pdf>

SES Spirit Wear

Spirit Wear is back in full force! Every Friday staff and students show their school spirit by wearing their Springwood gear.

T-Shirts \$22.00
Hoodies \$35.00
Hats \$30.00
Toques \$22.00



Please see the front office for purchase. Cash or Cheque accepted.

If you would like to use the online option, please contact Candice in the front office.

Candice Nikirk
School Accounts Secretary
Springwood Elementary
250-248-2038

National Day of Truth & Reconciliation – September 30th

Each year, September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

The day honours the children who never returned home and survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and the ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process.



PHOTO Day – Friday October 13th, 2023

PHOTO DAY - Big Smiles!!!

Get ready to say 'cheese'! Individual student photos will take place Friday, October 13th, 2023.



Student Absences – Safe Arrival

Dear School Families,

School District 69 is launching the SafeArrival component of the SchoolMessenger tool. This is a tool that provides multiple ways for parents to report absences when their child will be away and also speeds the process of reaching out to parents when a child is not at school. Please see the attached letter for details.



In the attached letter you will see that parents have three ways of reporting an absence, regardless of which option you choose, you will need to use the contact information that you have provided to the school. Using the app or website will require you to create an account with your email address. Please use the email that the school has on file for you (the one you that is receiving this message). If you choose to use the phone system to report an absence you will be asked to provide the phone number the school has on file for you in order to use the system. This information is what connects you to your child/children in the system.

You can continue to report absences by calling the school at 250-248-2038 but we are strongly encouraging families to use the SchoolMessenger app, website.

Thank you

See the attached PDF with instructions.



Safe Arrival Letter.pdf

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PAC NEWSLETTER

The newsletter graphic features a blue background with a white grid pattern. At the top center is the logo for SES WOLF PAC PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL, which includes a stylized wolf head. Below the logo is the email address **SPRINGWOODPAC@GMAIL.COM**. To the left of the email is a pink icon of a document with a person and a shield. To the right is a small image of a box of Mitchell's soup. The newsletter contains three main text boxes: a green one about criminal record checks, a red one about the Mitchell's soup fundraiser, and a purple one about library volunteers. A yellow box at the bottom right provides information about the Card Project fundraiser. A small image of colorful cards is next to the Card Project text.

SES WOLF PAC
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

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MITCHELL'S
SOUP FUNDRAISER

Please complete a criminal record check for Springwood. It is needed if you want to volunteer anytime for sports, field trips or in the class. Forms can be found in the office and dropped off at the RCMP station. It takes about 2 weeks for it to be completed and then you need to bring it back to the school. The great part is it is valid for 5 years.

We would love to have you volunteer with PAC.

The library needs volunteers to help with the book fair, Wednesday October 11, 3PM to 6PM and Thursday October 12, 3PM - 5:30 PM. This is a great fundraiser for our library, please email PAC if you are able to help out!

Mitchells soup fundraiser goes until October 8th at midnight. They are great healthy options and are cost effective. Soup pick up will be at Springwood at a later date TBD. LINK: <https://bit.ly/SpringwoodPAC-OnlineOrders>

Our classes are currently creating art for another year of The Card Project fundraiser. We love seeing all their creative designs.

Orders open online on Friday, October 20 at www.TheCardProject.ca Our school access code is SN77

Orders received by October 29 will be delivered in the week of November 20-24. The final order deadline is November 12, for delivery in early December.

Boys and Girls Club (BGC) Events

Please see attached posters.



GenQParksvilleFall2023.pdf

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PGZParksvilleFall2023.pdf

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FREE Books for Preschoolers!

See attached poster.



Poster.WWB August 2023.pdf

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BC Youth Rocks – Try Curling

DROP IN CURLING ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16TH AND SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17TH FREE FOR ANYONE OVER 8 YEARS OF AGE. COACHES, SUPERVISIONS, SAFETY CONCERNS ARE IN PLACE. DROP IN FROM 1-4PM - SEVERAL OTHER YOUTH PROGRAM OFFERINGS

See attached Poster



BC Youth Rocks - Try Curling.pdf

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Parksville Fire Department Open House – Oct 15th





Parksville FD Open House - Oct 15.pdf

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Train and Play



Train and Play flyer.pdf

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Upcoming Dates – MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Sept 29th - Orange Shirt Day - In Recognition of National Day of Truth & Reconciliation (Sep 30)

Oct 2nd - Statutory Holiday - students do not attend

Oct 9th - Thanksgiving Day - students do not attend

Oct 11th - Fall Conference Day (4:30 - 7:00)

Oct 11th - Book Fair (3:00-6:00 pm)

Oct 12th - Fall Conference Day (3:00-5:30 pm)

Oct 12th - Book Fair (3:00-5:00 pm)

Oct 13th - Photo Day

Oct 20th - Professional Development Day - students do not attend

Nov 8th - Photo re-take day

Nov 10th - Conferencing Adjustment Day - students do not attend

Nov 13th - Statutory Holiday (Remembrance Day)

Nov 14th - School Based PRO-D - students do not attend

Dec 1st - District Wide Planning Day - students do not attend

Dec 25-Jan 5th - Winter Vacation

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