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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE –

June...the very word brings up images of summer, fun and sunshine. At school, it means an increase in energy among our students and a flurry of events and activities. We are so grateful to once again have the ability to gather and enjoy many of the typical activities we once took for granted. In addition to many class events and field trips, you can see many grade-wide and school-wide events that are listed at the end of this newsletter. We are grateful to the staff who readily volunteer to make these things happen while they also spend many extra hours completing report cards and the other extra duties they have for year end. And they do it all with team work, a smile and a positive attitude. We are grateful to the many parents who happily volunteer their time to make many of our school events happen, and who also simply make the school a better place through their kind words and encouragement.

Together we have persevered through heat domes, Covid shutdowns, atmospheric rivers and floods, snow and ice storms, and many other crises in homes and families. And through it we have become more resilient and more thankful for the little things and for each other. We wish you a Joyful June!

Playground Upgrade

Promontory was one of the schools recently awarded a \$165,000 grant as part of the province's Playground Enhancement Program. We are excited that these funds will be used to upgrade the upper playground adjacent to the parking lot, from site preparation to the installation of the play equipment and accessible rubberized surface. We will be raising additional funds to ensure that we create the best play space possible. A Playground Committee of staff and parents has already begun meeting. Watch for further updates, including fundraising opportunities. Installation is currently scheduled for Spring 2023.

Kinderfair - June 14th

Kinderfair is a great event that provides fun and interactive connection and orientation opportunities for families and their children who will start Kindergarten in September. It is an important way to help your child feel comfortable and connected, and for our staff to learn a bit more about your child in preparation for the start of school. Every child who is registered for Kindergarten in September is encouraged to attend. This event takes place in our Gym between **8:30am-12:00pm on Tuesday, June 14th**.

SPORTS CAMP



Looking for something to do this summer? Central Community Church is hosting a summer Sports Camp July 18-22nd on the Promontory field for kids entering Grade 1-5. This is an evening camp from 6-8pm each day with a community BBQ at the end where everyone is invited to participate. We will be playing soccer, frisbee, California kickball and lots of other fun games! The cost is \$30 and that includes a T-shirt, snacks throughout the week and the BBQ on Friday. Registration and more information is available at: <https://central365.org/sportscamp/>

SD 33 QUICK PAY

We are using a new form of online payment for student supply fees, field trips, etc. You can find this link at the top of our school website. If you have multiple children, you may need to add them. In-order to do this, you will need their student number. Please contact kelsey_mckay@sd33.bc.ca if you need further direction. We are hoping to consolidate most of our payments to this new online option (though cash/cheque will still be accepted)

CHILDREN THAT ARE ILL

Everyone is mindful of how quickly illness can spread through a class or the school. In these times, our COVID protocols must be followed and **parents must complete a Daily Health Check with their children. If your child is ill, especially if there are COVID-like symptoms, please keep them home until symptoms are gone.** Please **do not send a sick child to school** hoping that they may get better. Err on the side of caution; **keep your child home to help prevent others from becoming sick.**

SAFE ARRIVAL

We need to know that our students are safe every day. If your children are going to be late or away, please let the office know before 8:20am. We have a new system online. It can be found on our school website (titled “Safe Arrival”) or click the link [HERE](#) for a quick and easy form that notifies the office.

LIBRARY NEWS

SUMMER READING CLUB AT FVRL

Make sure to check out the Fraser Valley Regional Library for great summer reading options and reading activities. The FVRL is constantly running programs that encourage reading and reward young readers. To check out what the FVRL is offering, click on this link: https://www.fvrl.bc.ca/summer_reading_clubs.php

The public library also has ebooks and audiobooks that can be checked out online and read a home.

If you need a library card please follow this link: <https://promontory.sd33.bc.ca/sites/promontory.sd33.bc.ca/files/2020-09/FVRL%20Library%20Card%20Newsletter.pdf>

If you are looking for digital access to books this summer, please check out the “PROMONTORY HEIGHTS HOME LITERACY and VIRTUAL LIBRARY RESOURCE GUIDE”. Please follow this link: [HERE](#)

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR – JUNE 2022

The Scholastic Book Fair is back! It will be both in person and virtual.

Book Fair Hours:

- Monday, June 6th 8:20am – 2:20 pm
- Tuesday, June 7th 8:20am – 2:20 pm
- Wednesday, June 8th 8:20am – 2:20 pm
- Thursday, June 9th 8:20am – 2:20pm
- **Parent Shopping time is June 6 & 7 @ 1:40pm-2:20pm**



- M/C, Visa, debit and cash are accepted as payment.
- Each class has a safe book fair browsing session during the week. Their time is during their weekly library block.
- All purchases help our school. Proceeds are invested back into school Library Reading Programs and our Mac Computer Lab update project.
- Scan the QR CODE to start shopping online from June 6 to 10. → →
- Free Shipping, with all orders sent to the school!



PROMONTORY VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR BY SCHOLASTIC AND SHOPIFY - OPEN FOR PARENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS.

Parents, please shop for books safely and securely online with the VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR. It is open even longer, from Monday June 6 to Friday June 10. Free Shipping! Books are shipped to the school.

Starting June 6, CLICK HERE to shop at the Virtual Book Fair: <https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5183305>

Scan this QR CODE to start shopping.



Please feel free to share the link with extend family and others. Books can be shipped across the country. All purchases will help our school build a new Mac lab in library!

SUPER READER

I want to thank Arley and the Kiwanis Club for their amazing work supporting the Super Reader program.

This year the 250-night prizes coupons at now worth \$7 and can be redeemed at Coles Bookstore in the Cottonwood Center. Please note that this coupon expires in September and should be spent as soon as possible. The last day to claim a \$7 coupon or any other Super Reader prize is Friday, June 17th. If your child is close and might make it to 250, please let your child’s teacher know immediately, so we can order more coupons if needed.

BOOK RETURNS

Families are responsible for paying for any lost or damage books that are on their child’s account. All student books are due next week June 6-10th. After that point, invoices to replace the books will be sent out to families. Please pay for any damaged or missing books immediately.

How to pay for lost or damaged books?

It is easy to pay for lost or damaged books we accept exact cash, or cheque. If you are paying by cheque it can be made out to “Promontory Elementary”. We do not accept debit or credit because we do not have an Interac machine.

****Please note that all family account books are due back by June 3rd. They can be brought to the library or dropped in the book bin.****

THE BOOKMAN:



We have a Promontory Library account set up at the Book Man in Chilliwack. Please donate the credits you receive, and we are then able to buy good used books at great prices! Thank you to the families who have donated.

MAKERSPACE NEWS

Check out what we are making in the Makerspace! Please visit our Instagram page: “Promontorymakerspace” Thank you to all the families that have donated supplies for the makerspace this school year. We really appreciate it! If you have an item that you would like to donate, please email Ms. Buck or Mr. Mueller.

PAC UPDATE

As we reflect on the 2021/22 school year, the Promontory Elementary PAC members are grateful. Our students and staff continually showed their positive attitude as the school persevered through challenges with Covid, flooding and ice. Our PAC continued to grow and learn as we adapted throughout these challenges.

Our May AGM resulted in elections for the following executive and non-executive positions for PAC’s 2022/23 school year:

Chair: Esther Maloney **Vice-Chair:** Brooke Browne **Secretary:** Amanda Gervais **Treasurer:** Katie McNulty

DPAC Rep: Brian Leong **Fundraising Co-Ordinator’s:** Leah Shields & Esther Maloney **PHECSA Rep:** Leah Shields

Communications Rep: Stacey Gould **Hot Lunch:** Karmen Sawracki & Kristie O’Hara

Did you know that PACs must have an elected executive prior to the beginning of the school year to receive the government gaming grant of \$20/student? A big thank you to those individuals who have stepped up on PAC exec for 2022/23. We also acknowledge our appreciation to PAC representatives Jen Allen (Interim Chair), Kristie O’Hara (Interim Vice-Chair), Melissa Benz (Secretary) and Kimberly Gladstone (DPAC Rep) who served in 2021/22. Thank you for all your help this past year!

At our last meeting we voted to donate \$10/Grade 2 student towards their trip to Bridal Falls Waterslides in June. We love to help! PAC will be involved in some fun student experiences in June. We secured several donations from local vendors for the Grade 5 Celebration event on June 20th and will provide the remaining funding needed to give these kids a fantastic send off to middle school. Please email us if you can help at this event.

PAC at Kinderfair June 14th

PAC will have a table set up at this year’s Kinderfair on June 14th with some fun giveaways for both the kids and the parents. Come and chat with us to find out how you can be involved!

CONTACT US:

promontory-pac@sd33.bc.ca (general inquiries)

promontoryhotlunch@gmail.com (hot lunch inquiries only)

FUNDRAISING:

Neufeld Farms

Order pick up will be Saturday, June 11, 2022 at 10:00am in our school parking lot. Please make sure to be there to pick up orders as we do not have the freezer space to store them.

Mabel’s Labels

Our school is fundraising with Mabel’s Labels! If you’re not familiar with Mabel’s Labels, they are personalized, durable, waterproof labels. They are great for everything from shoes, clothing tags, water bottles and backpacks. You can customize them with your name and a design, and they are dishwasher, laundry and microwave safe. Mabel’s Labels also offers clothing stamps, silicone bands for water bottles and face masks for both adult and children! This is a great way to ensure your items don’t end up in the lost & found or mixed up. To reduce the spread of germs, we highly recommend labelling but they are also useful for everyday life. To support our fundraiser, visit campaigns.mabelslabels.com and select Promontory Heights Elementary School (Chilliwack).

Munch-a-Lunch

Note to returning parents upon first login: Any returning parents who login will see this message: “Welcome to the 2021-22 school year, please update your child’s grade/teacher/div BEFORE ordering”. **You must complete this step before you will be able to order.**

Upcoming Dates:

June 10 – Jim’s Pizza

HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go to: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/PromontoryHeights/>
- 2) Click the **“Register Here”** button (as shown below). The system will guide you through from there.
- 3) After adding your children, click the green **“Order Lunch!”** button to order
- 4) Next time, just click the **“Login Here”** button to access your account.

ORDERING DETAILS

- Online ordering will be open at least by the 1st of each month until 1 week before date of hot lunch
- Orders are paid for using credit card online through munch a lunch secure system. Or brought to school by ordering date deadline. If payment is not received by deadline you will be notified of your order cancellation.

Please only order for the dates you intend to pay for. Munch A Lunch does not accept partial payments. Thank you!

Please note if your child is ill on a lunch date, you are welcome to come to let us know so we can set it aside for you at the office for pick up at 12noon; otherwise please consider it a donation for a child who does not have a lunch. Consistent with previous years, there are NO REFUNDS as this is a PAC fundraiser.

We appreciate your support for our hot lunch program as the funds go towards needs of the school and general fundraising!

Coming Events:

June 6-9	- Scholastic Book Fair in Library
June 14	- Kinderfair in Gym (8:30-12:00pm)
June 15	- Grade 2 to Bridal Falls Waterslides
June 17	- "Fun Day" for Grades 1-4
June 17	- Grade 5s to Camp Squeah
June 20	- Grade 5 Year End Celebration in Gym
June 21	- Indigenous Day
June 22	- Grade 3-5 to Cultus Lake Waterslides
June 23	- Last Day of school (dismiss @ 11:20am)