



**A.E. PERRY ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL
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Newsletter #9

May 2015

Principal's Corner

The scent of blossoms and the warm sunshine are sure signs that we are fully into spring mode and along with that, the myriad of activities that come with this time of year.

The last part of the last term is busy with many extra-curricular events. These are educational and fun, but it is important to keep in mind that there are only a few weeks left of the term and school work completion is a priority. We thank you for the support you give in helping to ensure students understand the importance of focusing and doing their best on school and homework assignments.

April came and went quickly! We enjoyed a week long cycling program and attended our third Young People's concert, Dumpsta Dragons. In the next two weeks, we will attend our final YPC concert. We also began our track and field training in readiness for our school and zone track meets. RupLoops, an artist from Vancouver, performed at our school and we kicked off our Jump Rope for Heart campaign

Yes, the May and June calendars are rapidly filling up. Students are working hard, but having fun, too. From our whole staff, **Happy Mothers' Day, Moms!**

Mrs. P. Armstrong



Students from grade 4-6 are practicing for different events in preparation for the School Track Meet on May 13th. The students with top scores will then represent our school at the Zone Track meet on May 22.



Battle of the Books

Congratulations to the AEP Battle of the Books teams. We had many students who read an impressive number of books and participated in the school and zone teams in April. Our teams made an impressive showing and we missed going to the District level by ONE point in the tie-breaker!! Way to go, Readers! And thank you to Mr.. Rhynolds our librarian, for being a great coach!

Young Authors Conference

Anjali Heer, Isabella Westwood and CJ Fryer were chosen to attend the Young Authors' Conference at TRU. They met a number of authors and learned many strategies to enhance their writing skills.

Talent Show

Our AEPerry students get a chance to show off their talents at a Talent Show at the end of the month. Thank you to the staff members who are organizing this fun event.

Food Bank Drive

We are beginning a food drive this week to donate to the Food Bank. The class that brings in the most donations will win a free hot dog lunch courtesy of our PAC! Thank you for supporting this by sending a non-perishable food item when your child asks for your help.

Salmon Release

On May 26th, Mr. Kallhood and Mrs. Hatch's students will be sending off the baby salmon at Tranquille Creek. They have been well looked after by Mr. Kallhood's class all winter and everyone has enjoyed watching them go from egg to fry.

Floor Hockey Our floor hockey season has just concluded, and by all accounts was a HUGE success. Congratulations to all participating students for their great sportsmanship, hard work, and skill development during the games, and many thanks to Mr. Hine for the organization and support.



After School Yoga and Tennis

We have been fortunate enough to once again offer our students quality after school programming. Yoga continues to be a very popular after school program with our students. The Thursday Tennis has also been well attended.



May School Closures

Monday, May 11 is a Professional Day for teachers. School is not in session for students. Monday the 18th is, of course, Victoria Day, so another long weekend is in order for our students.

Dress Code

Now that spring is in the air, our students, once again pull out summery clothing. It is a good time to review what is appropriate for school with your child. Our school dress code is consistent with the district Dress Code.

At A.E.Perry, we require all students to dress in attire that is conducive to supporting the learning environment and business atmosphere of the school. Students considered, by school staff, to be inappropriately dressed will be asked to change or sent home to change if they do not have other clothes at school.

- ◆Shirts, hats, jackets, gym bags, back packs, etc. with pictures, sketches or logos of alcohol, tobacco or illegal substances or offensive wording, including suggestive sexual thoughts, may not be worn at school.
- ◆Bare midriiffs, short shorts, revealing or suggestive clothing, and/or beachwear are not appropriate.
- ◆Underwear should not be showing
- ◆Coats and hats should not be worn in class.
- ◆Footwear must be worn at all times for health and safety reasons.

Welcome to Kindergarten

We will have our Kindergarten orientation as a Welcome to K session on May 21, 1:15-2:20. If your child is registered for K in the fall, look for information coming to you through the mail regarding this session.

Spring Photo Day

Photographers will be here on May 20th for class and group photos.

Class Placements 2015-2016 School Year

The placement of students for the coming school year is a thoughtful and complex process. The primary principle considered when placing students is to find the most suitable classroom placement where the student's academic program and social emotional needs are met in the most appropriate manner.

Planning for the coming school year begins in May when school enrolment projections are compiled and reviewed.

Based on these enrolment predictions, the principal, in consultation with the staff, decides on the most effective organizational plan for the students and the school. Once an organizational plan is adopted, teachers are assigned to each division, wherever possible, and the process of forming classes begins.

. Many factors are considered when making placement decisions.

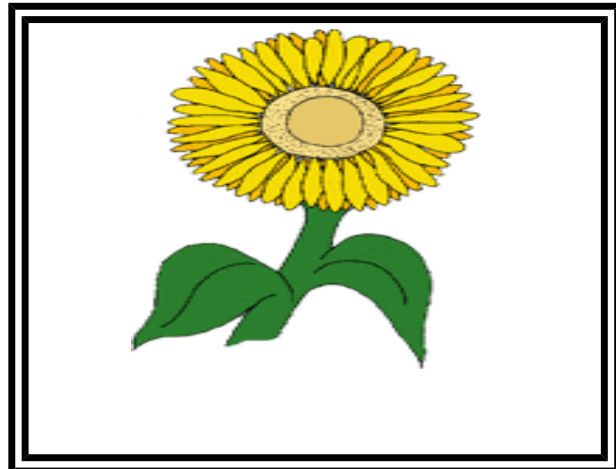
Under the School Act, it is the school's responsibility to make the placement of the student to a teacher. Parents do not have the right or responsibility to choose a teacher. However, we provide an opportunity for parents to have input. This input is based on educational considerations.

Parents who wish to provide input regarding instructional needs must provide this input in writing to the principal. This information must be provided by June 1.

PAC

- The May Parent Advisory Council Meeting will be held May 20 at 6:30 pm. Please join us if you can for even a short time.
- PAC Movie Night will be held on May 8. Watch for more information

- Spring Carnival PAC is busy organizing a fun family event for June 4. Mark it on your calendar and watch for further details.



Upcoming Events

- May 1 YPC
- May 8 PAC Movie Night
- May 13 School Track Meet
- May 11 Non-Instructional Day
- May 15 YPC Concert 4
- May 18 Victoria Day
- May 21 Welcome to Kindergarten
- May 20 Class Photos
PAC meeting
- May 22 Zone Track Meet
- May 26 Salmon Release
- May 26 District Track Mt

Board Notes

From the Board Meeting of: APRIL 13, 2015

The Board enjoyed a presentation by four grade 2 students at Barriere Elementary on Math and Numeracy.

The Board approved the recommended changes to the January Secondary School Exam Schedule.

The Board approved an Out-Of-Province Field Trip Request for four students, who participated and won the privilege of representing School District No. 73 in the "Crystal Growth in Space" Experiment, to travel to Washington, DC on July 1-3, 2015.

The Board approved the recommended changes to School Calendar Professional Development dates for 2015-2016 and 2016-2017.

The Board approved a revision to Policy 1121.1 Corporate Sponsorships and Donations.

The next regular public Board Meeting will occur on Monday, April 27, 2015 at the School Board Office.

From the Board Meeting of: APRIL 27, 2015

The Board enjoyed a presentation from the Four Directions' Drumming Group. The students were accompanied by Program Coordinator, Jordan Smith.

Special Olympics BC Vice President of Sport, Lois McNary, recognized the District for all its work hosting the athletes during the BC Special Olympics Games held in February.

The Board approved the recommended name change of NorKam Secondary School to NorKam Senior Secondary School.

The Board received the Annual Energy Consumption Report from Director McDonald.

The Board received Notice of Motion for Policy 1024.7 Emergency procedure: Cancellation of Classes due Extreme Weather.

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