

**Charlie Lake Elementary School
November 2016
Newsletter**



We hope that you have had the opportunity to attend one of our values assemblies this year. Each month one value is presented. So far, the presentations about honesty and compassion have been excellent. All parents are invited. The schedule was sent home in the October newsletter and can also be found online. The "We Value" bulletin board in the photo above will soon have pictures and information about our foster child. As part of the Social Studies curriculum, some students are creating this presentation as well as fundraising to support her.

The month will be a busy one! Our Remembrance Day Assembly will take place on November 10th at 11 am in the gym and has been planned by Mr. Bauer's grade 6 class. As well, we will be posting the Charlie Lake Enhancing Learning Framework for parents to see on our website, "Parent Partners" bulletin board as well as via email. The framework identifies three goal areas that our school and staff are working on including an intellectual, career and social/emotional goal. Our final format will likely be a pamphlet or a digital portfolio. Parental input is appreciated. This plan is the start of a 3-year cycle. I will also be presenting the plan in more detail at the November PAC meeting on November 14th at 7 pm. Lastly, it is also report card time this month. The first formal report card will be going home on November 22, 2016.

We continue to have staffing changes and we are close to being fully staffed. Effective October 31st, Ms. Allen will take over the grade 2-3 classroom; her current prep assignment has been posted and we hope to fill it soon. Please also welcome our newest support staff, Mrs. Johnson who will be working with our team.

Classroom Playground Equipment:

Currently, each division in the school can get a bag of outdoor equipment including a soccer ball, skipping ropes etc. In order for each class to get this bag, each classroom has to come up with a plan as to how they will manage the equipment, take care of the equipment and ensure it is kept in good condition. So far, we have about six classrooms that have completed this exercise. We are endeavoring to teach responsibility as last year's equipment is all gone. Students are aware that their efforts are not just for their classroom this year, but for future classes as well. All equipment is color-coded and division numbers are written on the items.

Sports Update: We do not have a boys or girls volleyball team this year. We are working with the district around protocols of having parent coaches in place rather than the current model of requiring a teacher sponsor. We are also hosting this year's district track meet. This will mean our school is closed for the day. The venue will likely be in town and once it has been confirmed, we will share the date and venue with parents. We are however, looking for parents who are interested in helping plan the events, helping out at events and/or taking on any other roles as they come up. If you are interested, please let the office know.

Updates from PAC President & Fundraising:

The next PAC meeting is November 14th in the Rascals room at 7pm. Babysitting is provided free of charge.

Purdy's fundraiser has gone home and orders are due back by Nov 4th and orders will be delivered on Dec 1.

The Growing Smiles fundraiser (poinsettias) has gone home as well and is due back November 10th. Plants will be delivered on Dec 2. Parents please be prepared to pick up your orders at the school on those days. The money raised from these fundraisers goes to pay for programs such as our author residency, robotics, and new guided reading books. The children in our school benefit from your orders. Thank you.

November Scholastic Book Fair:

Mrs. Fearon, Librarian, will be hosting our annual Scholastic Book Fair from November 21st to November 25th. Once classes have signed up, we will post the schedule on our website for parents who may wish to come while their child is at the fair. The hours are as follows:

Monday - Thursday: 8:15-8:45
10:30-10:45
11:55-12:45
2:45-3:30

Friday: 8:30-10:30

Important Dates:

November 10	Remembrance Day Assembly @ 11 am
November 11	School Closed
November 14	PAC meeting @ 7 pm
November 15	Digital Citizenship presentations in classrooms
November 17	Photo Retakes
November 22	First Term Report cards
November 23	Early Dismissal @ 1:46 pm
November 24	Early Dismissal @ 1:46 pm
November 24	SD 60 Band Concert in FSJ
November 25	NID

Hot Lunch Dates: Please remember that orders are online only @ lakers.hotlunches.net
Please make cheques payable to "Charlie Lake PAC".

November 7	Pizza	November 15	Taco in a Bag
November 10	Booster Juice	November 17	Subway
November 21	Pizza	November 29	Booster Juice
November 24	Menchie's	November 30	Hot Dog

If you need to contact us at the school or get updates about the school:

School Website: www.charlielake.prn.bc.ca

Facebook: www.facebook.com/SD60CL

Twitter: www.twitter.com/sd60cl

School email: charlielakeschool.prn.bc.ca

Or check out our "Parent Partners" bulletin board in the teacher entrance.

Wishing all our community a wonderful month of November!

Mrs. Chretien
Principal

Mrs. Neuls
Vice-Principal