

Charlie Lake Elementary School

Year-End Newsletter

2017

Dear Parents & Guardians,

The 2016-17 school year has come to a close. I would like to wish all Charlie Lake families a wonderful and restful summer! A huge thanks to all parents who have continued to volunteer in our building in various roles supporting our school.

With the year-end comes time to say goodbye to staff that will be moving on to their future aspirations. A farewell to Mrs. Alexander as she moves onto her new position as part of the district's learning services department; we would also like to wish Mrs. Allen well and thank her for her service this year. As well, Mrs. Wik, Learning Assistance teacher returns to Vancouver Island to continue with her retirement. Mrs. Seguin, another former Charlie Lake staff member, also will return to retirement in September. Although here for a short time, Miss English moves on to Upper Pine School for the 2017-18 school year. A huge thanks to Mrs. Gunther who has been with us this year in her role as prep teacher. We also say goodbye to Ms. Naomi Hennessey and Mrs. Gloria Coates, Educational Assistants and Ms. Shannon Craig, Secretary who has transferred to work at NPSS.

We also welcome new staff to our team for September: Miss Dejmek will take on the role of a full-time primary teacher; Ms. Kelsie Caillou will share the prep teacher load with Mrs. Coulter, Vice-Principal. Mrs. Lea will move into the Learning Assistance Teacher role as well as Mr. Bauer will take on the library and team-teach with Mrs. Fearon in the intermediate program. Mrs. McLennan returns to our team from maternity leave. Mrs. Fearon will continue as Reading Recovery Teacher as well as Ms. Rosalind Smith as our school counselor for the 2017-18 school year.

The first day of school for the 2017-18 school year is on **September 5th at 8:45 am**. School is only a half day and return busses will run after dismissal that day. **Kindergarten teachers will be in contact with families early in the school year to ensure a smooth transition.**

Students will return to last year's classes for the first 2-3 days until new classes are set. **Students are asked to line up at same door as they did this year on the first day of school.** This will hopefully minimize the amount of transition for students. **It is important that ALL students attend the first days as classes are created based on the number of students present.** The first day of school will commence with an assembly. Lists will be posted for students so they know where to go the first day in case they are not sure where to go. Please ensure your child has a snack for break that day. As always, parents are welcome to our assembly in the morning. The week will end on Friday with a school-wide pancake breakfast supported by our PAC. Kindergarten students will get a pancake breakfast on Friday, September 15, 2017. The annual "Meet and Greet" will be on September 18th. More information will sent home in the fall.

School Charges for 2017-18:

Please make cheques payable to Charlie Lake Elementary School.

Grade(s)	Agenda Charge	Cultural Charge	IPad Charge
Kindergarten	None	\$10.00	None
One through three	\$10.00	\$10.00	None
Four through Five	\$10.00	\$10.00	None
Six	None	\$10.00	\$30.00

Student School Supplies are offered for purchase to parents online over the summer at www.schoolstart.ca. Please ensure that your "town" is listed as "Charlie Lake" and NOT Fort St. John. More information is available on our school website at: www.charlie.prn.bc.ca.

Message from our PAC President:

The PAC wishes everyone a happy and safe summer. Best wishes to Mrs. Chretien in her new position in the fall. We will all miss you. Farewell to our grade six students and wishing them good times at Bert Bowes.

See you in September.

Office Hours

Although students are done school for this calendar year, the office will remain open until June 30th; if you have yet to settle your 2016-17 school charges, payment can be made at the school. The school will remain closed for the summer and re-open on August 28th, 2017. Please also check our website www.charlie.prn.bc.ca for additional information as there may be changes to office hours that at times are unexpected. If you have yet to register your child for kindergarten, please do so as soon as possible! As you are aware, Mrs. Nancy Maxfield will take over as school Principal as of August 1st, 2017. Should you require assistance after that date, please contact her at nmaxfield@prn.bc.ca.

On behalf of Mrs. Coulter and I and all of our staff, we would like to thank you for all that you do for our school. Our community is what makes our school such a wonderful place!

C. Chretien
Principal

L. Coulter
Vice-Principal