



APEX Newsletter #2

September 2021

On behalf of the staff at Apex, we would like to welcome all of our families to the 2021-2022 school year, and issue a special welcome to families entering Apex for the first time. We hope that you had an opportunity to enjoy the wonderful weather this summer and create lasting memories.

Please take a moment to review this newsletter as there is much needed information regarding the operations of our school.

At this time, I cannot plan the ‘when’ of our first opportunity to make connections and meet everyone “in person”. I do want to remind you that School Photos will be occurring in the morning on Sept 22 and you will receive details of your time slot for your photo next week from our Head Teacher, Jeremy Baerg. On September 22, If allowed, (details will come if we are allowed) we hope to collect “Toonies for Terry” in a family friendly Terry Fox Run (12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.) right here on our school property.

Looking forward,

Lisa Dubé
Principal

Creating a Learning Community and Opportunity for Connection

We create incredible connections with our families and students in our biweekly tutorials and this year, we are excited to extend this and renew our weekly offerings of Wednesday classes to promote Physical Health Education (PHE), social/emotional learning and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) activities.

Within our delivery model, Wednesday classes are optional. As in the past, students are placed in age groupings versus grade levels (all dependent on enrolment).

The schedules below represent our best ability to plan based on what we know at this time. If our enrolment changes significantly or the Provincial Health Officer orders change, we will adapt and inform you as soon as we are able.

We are excited to have your children back in the building. They have been missed!

If you wish for your child to participate in these classes, we need a commitment each term that your child will participate all 8 weeks. This allows our teachers the best opportunity to create the necessary connections with the children, to create a socially/emotionally safe place and to design meaningful instructional activities.

We will ask for the Term 1 commitment in your first meeting with your teacher.

Wednesday Class Schedule for Apex Students

Classes will begin on October 6, 2021 and each term will run for 8 consecutive Wednesdays

Term 1 – October 6, 2021 – November 24, 2021

Grades K-5			Grades 6-9		
1	Break	2	3	Break	4
9:30-10:30	10:30-10:45	10:45-11:45	12:30-1:30	1:30-1:45	1:45-2:45
PHE, ADST, Outdoor PHE			PHE, ADST, Outdoor PHE		

Term 2 – January 5, 2022 – February 23, 2022

Grades K-5			Grades 6-9		
1	Break	2	3	Break	4
9:30-10:30	10:30-10:45	10:45-11:45	12:30-1:30	1:30-1:45	1:45-2:45
STEAM, Fine Arts			STEAM, Fine Arts		

Term 3 – April 6, 2022 – May 25, 2022

Grades K-5			Grades 6-9		
1	Break	2	3	Break	4
9:30-10:30	10:30-10:45	10:45-11:45	12:30-1:30	1:30-1:45	1:45-2:45
PHE, Outdoor PHE, Career Ed			PHE, Outdoor PHE, Career Ed		

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

We are looking at looking for volunteers to join our PAC. \Our PAC operates untraditionally and is really a great opportunity to make a difference in our program extensions for students!

The PAC at Apex typically meets once per term, (3 x a year) and supports Apex with an application for the gaming grant, some fundraising, community building events and Scholastic book orders. For

example, last year, our PAC contributed to the acquisition of the concrete tables in our school garden to enhance our outdoor learning space. Please reach out to Lisa at lidube@sd43.bc.ca or Jeremy (head teacher) jebaerg@sd43.bc.ca if you are interested in being involved. We would love to hear from you.

Last but not least....Connecting with your child's teacher this week!

1. Please look out for the email from your teacher on September 10th inviting you to your first meeting. You will need to click on the link they send you to book in for an appointment time.
2. If you have changed your address, phone number or any other contact details, please call the office to let us know. 604-945-7311 a.s.a.p.

Thank you for allowing us to work with you and your children this year. We are in for a great adventure!

Sincerely,

Lisa

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