CAPE HORN WEEKLY

September 15, 2023

Today is the last day for gradual entry for our kindergarten students. Starting Monday, students attend for the full day. We thank the families for accommodating this very important transition schedule to allow us time to really get to know your children. We are excited to start their formal educational journey with you.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL Our grade 1-5 students are settling in well to their new classes and have already begun to make new friends. The month of September is an important time for teachers to really get to know their students, their interests and learning profile. I encourage you to connect with the teacher if you have any information about your child that you think is important to know.

This past Wednesday, we met with the Parent Advisory Council (P.A.C.) to review our goals and begin planning fundraising and community building activities. I encourage you to come to the meetings or, if you are unable to attend, to read the P.A.C. meeting minutes and support a P.A.C. sponsored event. The meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

The staff and I look forward to seeing you next week at our Open House Barbecue.

Have a great weekend!

Kim Cuellar Principal



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Keep up with all the current happenings at Cape Horn. Join us on Instagram -

Check it out at #capehornelementaryschool



Required Forms

Coming home today or early next week is an envelope containing information on the online forms that must be completed, as well as a copy of the yellow emergency release form. The



student verification form that used to come home are no longer printed but will be published to the Family Portal. We will send home information next week on how the access the forms in the portal. Please complete the yellow emergency release form and return to school in the brown envelope. These need to be completed every year for every student.

The School Policy online Form also must be completed every year for every student. We need this form submitted to allow students use of ipads, use of photo permission, walking field trip permission, etc. The form is on School cash online at www.schoolcashonline.com. If you are new to the school, please register and set up an account for School Cash Online. This is where all school fees are paid as well (field trips, planners, etc.) Please call the school office if you need assistance with this.



Tuesday, September 19th	Student photo day
Thursday, September 21st	Family BBQ
Friday, September 22nd	Pro-D (no school for students)
Friday, September 29th	Orange Shirt Day
Monday, October 2nd	Trust and Reconciliation Day (School Closed)
Monday, October 9th	Thanksgiving (School closed)
Friday, October 13th	Informal Report #1 goes home
Scholastic Book Fair	October 16, 17, 18
Friday, October 20th	Pro-D (no school for students)

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Breakfast Club

Will begin on Monday, September 18th. Doors open at 8:05 a.m. All students are welcome. There is no cost for students to join Breakfast Club. Please enter through the gym doors. We are still looking for a few more parent volunteers, if you can help out, please email Ms. Cuellar at kcuellar@sd43.bc.ca.

Cape Horn Open House Barbecue

We welcome all families to attend our open house barbecue on Thursday, September 21st from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. We will be serving beef hot dogs, potato chips and juice. We hope you are able to attend as it is a wonderful opportunity to meet your child's teacher and visit their classroom.



Schedule:

Group A: Divisions 1, 2, 9, and 10 (Andrews, Sullivan, Mackay, Braidwood)

Group B: Divisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Martin, Moore, van Gaalen, Lachlan, Britton, Dressel, Graham)

5:00-5:30 Group A teachers will have their classrooms open for their students and families. Group B is invited to the gym for the barbecue and to meet our other teachers.

5:30-5:45 Families with students in both group A and B can come to the gym for the barbecue.

5:45-6:15 Group B teachers will have their classrooms open for their students and families. Group A is invited to the gym for the barbecue and to meet our other teachers.

Orange Shirt Day - September 29th

Typically, Orange Shirt day is September 30th when school is not in session. As such, we will honour Orange Shirt day on September 29th. This day was created as an opportunity to discuss the effects of residential school and its legacy. It highlights the experiences of Indigenous Peoples and reaffirms the notion that "every child matters". Schools will be closed on October 2nd for Truth and Reconciliation Day.







Picture Day Is Coming

Cherish this Yearly Portrait that captures how fast they grow up!

Tuesday, September 19th

Easy Steps for Awesome Portraits:

- 1. Check: ☐ hair combed ☐ face washed ☐ "sleep" removed from corner of eyes
- 2. Dark solid colour clothing tends to photograph best and it's best to avoid large busy patterns that can draw attention away from your child's face.
- 3. Use your Express Proof your child brings home to view your child's portrait on photo day!
- 4. Order from a wide selection of packages at special prices available only through your school.
- 5. When your finished order arrives, enjoy your portrait that captures this special time in your child's life. Share them with friends and family.

Thank You for Trusting Us With Your Memories.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR 2023/2024 STAT HOLIDAYS AND PRO-D DATES



Schools Open	Tuesday, September 5, 2023
Pro D Day (Common District Day)	Friday, September 22, 2023
Truth and Reconciliation Day	Monday, October 2, 2023
Thanksgiving	Monday, October 9, 2023
Pro D Day (Common Provincial Day)	Friday, October 20, 2023
School Closure Day	Friday, November 10, 2023
Remembrance Day Stat Holiday	Monday, November 13, 2023
Schools Close for Winter Vacation (last day in session)	Friday, December 22, 2023
Winter Vacation	**
Schools Reopen After Winter Vacation	Monday, January 8, 2024
Pro D Day (School Based Day)	Monday, January 29, 2024
BC Family Day	Monday, February 19, 2024
Pro D Day (Common District Day)	Friday, February 23, 2024
Schools Close for Spring Vacation (last day in session)	Friday, March 15, 2024
Spring vacation period	
Good Friday	Friday, March 29, 2024
Easter Monday	Monday, April 1, 2024
Schools re-open After Spring Vacation	Tuesday, April 2, 2024
Pro D Day (Common District Day)	Friday, April 19, 2024
Pro D Day (School Based Day)	Friday, May 17, 2024
Victoria Day	Monday, May 20, 2024
Last day of school for all students	Thursday, June 27, 2024
Administrative Day	Friday, June 28, 2024