



Irvine Elementary

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This is what it's all about...

Our Mission Statement at Irvine Elementary is, "Working together to create a safe and nurturing environment that challenges and motivates our students and promotes a lifelong joy of learning."

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

October	10,17,24,31	Beyond the Bell – Science Nuts 2:45-3:45 in the gym
	11	Running Terry's Money Home – District Terry Fox Run
	11,18	Music Adventure – Piano 2:55-3:55 Room #113 (Tech Room)
	14	Thanksgiving
	15,22,29	Beyond the Bell – Indoor Soccer 2:45-3:45 in the gym
	16	PAC Meeting 6:30-8:00pm in the library
	18	Student Individual Photos
	21	Federal Election
	22	Artstarts presentation – Motivational Magic with Steve Harmer 1:00pm in the gym
	25	Professional Development Day (provincial)
	28	Beyond the Bell – Let's Dance 2:45-3:45 in the gym

Principal's Message

We are down to one day left to donate for the Terry Fox Foundation. The end will come at 3:00pm tomorrow and all money will be counted. I am very happy to let everyone know that as of today, we have collected over \$2200 that we will be adding to the pool of money from all the other schools that will be running in the Terry Fox District Run on Friday. Thank you and well done Irvine families!!

Also, the top 5 classes for bringing in donations are:

1. Mme. Comartin
2. Mme. Strachan / Mme. Tan
3. Ms. Berner
4. Mr. Betts
5. Mme. Arnold

We will announce on Friday which class brought in the most money and will have a draw to determine which three students will get to pie me in the face (at a future assembly). Thank you all for your support and generosity!!

Morning drop off

We are noticing that some students are arriving really early to school. Please note that students should not be arriving before 8:15 and that supervision outside begins at 8:25.

School Supplies

I am drafting a letter that I will send out to all parents about school supplies. This will be emailed before the end of the week. In it, I will once again clarify the intentions we had behind making this change along with clarification around payment. I'd like to thank those who took a moment to let me know how they felt about this change. The responses have been overwhelmingly positive. I'd also like to thank those who had the courage to reach out to me to express their dissatisfaction / problem they had with this change. It is through this feedback that we were able to make some changes in some of the classrooms (and these will be emailed out to parents from those classrooms) and it allows us to look at ways of improving the process in an effort to make it the best we can for everyone.

Staff Parking Lot

Parents, please remember that the staff parking lot should not be used to "drop off" students UNLESS you have an accessible parking permit. For those that have these displayed in their vehicles, you may use one of the two parking stalls at the front of the lot. Thank you.

Also, please refrain from walking through the parking lot with you children, or from having your children walk through the parking lot themselves, especially in the morning (but also in the afternoon as well). There are cars coming in and out of the parking lot and when the weather is bad, this can be a potential safety risk. Instead, if coming from the front of the school, use the sidewalk that runs along the front of the school. If coming from the intersection at Wellington and Renton, either use the sidewalk on Renton, or walk along the north side of the lot and then down the hill towards the portables or down the hill and then around to the sidewalk leading to the front of the school. By doing this, we minimize the risk of a safety hazard. Thank you.

PAC News

PAC meetings are held in the school library and begin at 6:30pm (usually on the third Wednesday of the month). Our PAC Meeting Schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2019 6:30-8:00pm (library)
Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019 6:30-8:00pm (library)
Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2020 6:30-8:00pm (library)
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2020 6:30-8:00pm (library)
Wednesday, Apr. 15, 2020 6:30-8:00pm (library)
Wednesday, May 20, 2020 6:30-8:00pm (library)
Wednesday, June 17, 2020 7:00-10:00pm PAC Social - location TBD

District / Community News

Please feel free to check out the Publications and Community Listings and links on our district webpage at: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Pages/publications.aspx>