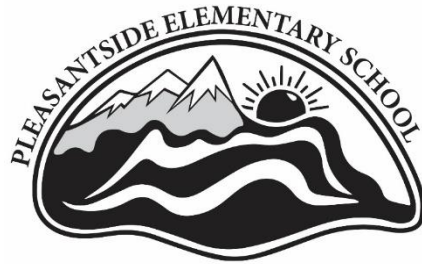


PleasantSide Elementary Welcome Back Newsletter



Welcome back! It is so nice to have all our wonderful students back at school. I look forward to hearing about their summers. I'm also looking forward to getting to know all our new students. As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

Ms. V.

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DON'T FORGET!

The following forms will soon be sent home or will be in School Cash Online or the Family Portal:

- Blue Emergency Release Form
- Student Verification Form Review
- District School Policies Form
- School Volunteer Application Form
- Volunteer Driver Application Form

UPCOMING

Tuesday Sept. 3rd:

Students attend 8:45-9:15am

Wednesday Sept. 5th:

First full day of school for Grades 1-5

Monday Sept. 9th:

Students will start in their assigned classes

Wednesday Sept. 18th:

Early Dismissal 1 :50pm -
Welcoming Conversations for Grades 1-5

Thursday Sept. 19th:

Early Dismissal 1 :50pm -
Welcoming Conversations for Grades 1-5

Friday Sept. 20th:

Pro-D Day - NO SCHOOL

Monday Sept. 30th:

Truth and Reconciliation
NO SCHOOL

Tuesday October 8th:

Picture Day
9:00am-11:00am

Monday October 14th:

Thanksgiving
NO SCHOOL

Keep an eye on the website
for Hot Lunch Days and
other events this fall!

Families' circumstances can change. Our school has funds available to help families when times are tough. If any family requires financial support, we ask that you reach out to Mr. Watkins.

All support is confidential.

Reminder to check out the **Lost and Found** closet throughout the year. Last year we had many items that went unclaimed and were donated. We recommend **writing your child's name into clothing when possible**, so we can return it to them when found.

We might still experience some hot days in September. If so please don't forget to:

Bring a **HAT** to wear outside.
Pack two **WATER BOTTLES**.
Apply **SUNSCREEN** before going to school.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES!

If you haven't yet paid for the bulk school supplies, the item will be added to School Cash Online by the middle of September.

If you have any financial concerns regarding the payment for these supplies, please don't hesitate to reach out to Mr. Watkins. All support is confidential.



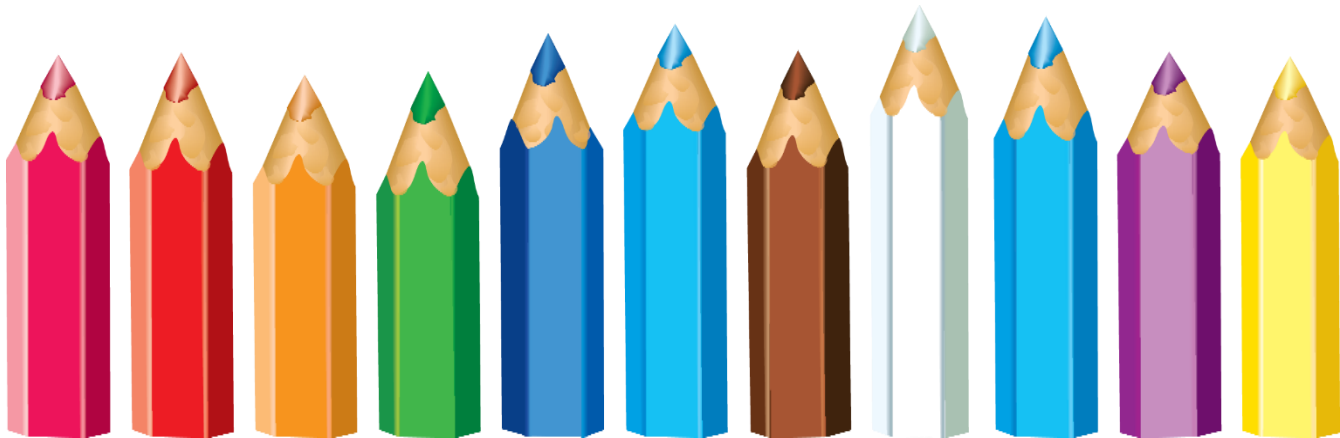
SNACK OK?

On occasion, students forget their snacks or lunch, or they just don't have enough that day. In the office we do have emergency snacks and soups for these occurrences. All food items are nut free and we always look to see if the student has any other allergies or food limitations. Please let Ms. V. know as soon as possible if your child should **NEVER** be given food from the office.

**Please remember that this is for emergencies only. The expectation is that students will always bring enough snacks and lunch (but we understand sometimes things happen and we never want a child to be hungry at school).*

"Skip" Skip the Dishes

Please try not to order your child's lunch to the school through a delivery app. If you are going to do so, please confirm with the office first. Delivery drivers often have trouble finding the office, and we have had lunches go missing.



Walking home?

If you plan on having your Grade 4/5 child walk home on their own, this information needs to be communicated to the classroom teacher. They will be expected to walk right home and not hang around at the playground.

PleasantSide Spirit Wear is back!

We will soon be sending a link to purchase PleasantSide Hoodies and T-Shirts.

Playdates

If your child is going home with another family, please communicate that as soon as possible to the classroom teacher. Please remember that once the school day has started, teachers don't often have time to check their email, so you will need to contact the office.

If you know your child is going to be absent or late please fill out the online absence report found on our website. We encourage all families to prioritize getting to school for our **8:45am** line-up on the black-top. The transition to the classroom is easier for all children when they go up with their classmates. If you do find your family running late, we remind you to check in with the office. We also ask that parents do not walk their child into class as it can be very disruptive. We have put up "Bye" signs by the doors leading to the classrooms (see example below). This is where parents should say goodbye on days you are running late. If your child is having trouble going to class, one of our staff members are always here to help with the transition.



When you see this sign it's time to say goodbye!



Afterschool Club

Register NOW!

portmoody.ca/signmeup | 604.469.4556

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