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Welcome Back!!

2013- 2014 has begun; excitement energizes the hallways. With new faces and old friends, familiar routines and new approaches and up-graded facilities, we're looking forward to a busy and rewarding year as we work together in the best school

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The staff ...

and their present assignments are as follows (these may change):

Reanna Stockman is K program instructor and general Teaching Assistant

Cindy Mumert is overseeing the K program & teaching grade 1/2

Jennifer Leblanc is teaching the 3/4 class and 1/2 Math

Vivian Fowler is teaching grade 5/6

John Heikel is teaching junior high social studies, science and the art option

Margaret El-Tantawy joins us, teaching grade 8 LA, grade 5/6 science and French

Robert El-Tantawy joins us too, teaching grade 7 LA and Math as well as German

Kelli Flint is teaching grade 6,8,9 Math, junior high PE and a new Options course

Angie Tetreau returns as general Teaching Assistant

Coralee Rath has come on board as a general Teaching Assistant

Laura Wade is a general Teaching Assistant

Lorraine Gerow is a general Teaching Assistant

Anna Odd is our Administrative Assistant

Steve Mumert is our Principal and teaching grade 9 LA, junior high options, leadership

Jason Bratland, Vicki Leman, Pat Moutray and Janelle Trodd are our bus drivers

Don Morton is our custodian

Mark Standing is our new Director of Transportation



2013-2013 Year-Books now available!!

See attached order form!

Please Note!!

The newsletter is available on the school website. Bus cancellations are also posted on the website.

School Supplies:

We're asking that parents provide students with school supplies as specified on the class supply list and bring: a non-marking pair of running shoes for inside use, shoes or boots for outdoor use,

a back pack, a lunch kit. Please put your child's name on all their belongings.

Classroom supply lists were given out in June and can be requested now. Please do not send all your children's supplies at once, but as needed throughout the year.

Important VCS Notes!

Each year brings changes. Sometimes different routines are hard to remember and get used to. Always though, the purpose of trying something new is to improve the students' school experience. Help us in this ongoing effort!

This year we have enough lockers for all students in grades 3-9. Parents are asked to supply their children with a suitable quality combination lock to keep personal items secure and ensure locker doors stay closed. Teachers will be doing regular locker cleanup and inspection with students to promote personal responsibility and hygiene.

Early dismissal on Mondays will continue this year.

The aim is to provide teachers with time to study and work together regularly to benefit students' learning and classroom experience. Classes will dismiss at 3:10pm each Monday.

School Council

School (Parent) Council will begin with their AGM, scheduled for Sept.26, the same night as Meet the Teacher.

The event begins with a Barbeque from 4-7pm. The School Council AGM starts @ 7pm. Parents can visit teachers, tour the school, etc. be-fore the council meeting.

All parents are asked to attend if at all possible. Council serves an important advisory / communication role.

We need your participation!!

Pirate Day!!

Thursday, September 19

Dress up and say "Aarrgh!"

Show school spirit!

Agendas

All K-6 students are given agendas to help organize their school activities. Parents are asked to initial the agenda **each evening**.

Teachers will have homework and messages written in agendas. The agenda is an excellent way for home and school to communicate. Notes regarding absence, bus travel, parent pick up may also go in the agenda; let your child know to share your message with the teacher and office if need be.

Junior High teachers can be contacted directly by parents.

Effective and timely communication between school and home is a critical part of the partnership that makes our school community special!

Upcoming Events

September 13
CSW

No school

September 26
Terry Fox Run
2pm

September 26
Meet the Teacher BBQ
4-7 pm, VCS

September 26 School
Council AGM
7 pm, VCS

September 27
CSW
No school

October 4
Student Council Election
No school

October 11
CSW
No school

Community News

Valhalla Community Library:

Library Hours: Mondays 11am-4pm, Tuesdays 11am-5pm, Wednesdays 10am-8pm, Thursdays 11am-5pm, Fridays Closed

New members always welcome; memberships are free! For any information

please contact Gail Perry: 780.356.3834

Reminders

If your child is going to be away from school, please inform the office and the bus driver.

If your child is going home with a friend or neighbour, please send a note to the bus driver and the school.

If your child is arriving late, or being picked up early, please sign them in or out at the office.

If your child needs utensils for lunch, please provide them.



Beaverlodge Pony Club

If you Love horses and want to learn more about horses, then you need to join the Beaverlodge Pony Club.

Great instructors and volunteers ensure a safe and fun environment where your kids learn how to both care for and ride horses.

You can sign up on September 4th, 2013 at the Community Centre in Beaverlodge @ 6:00pm.

If you would like more information, please contact Shirley @ (780) 354-3066

Valhalla Lutheran Church Sunday School

Every Sunday

starting on September 8th, 2013
9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.



No charge; no membership required.
Activities for Kindergarten to Adults