

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT– SEPT 2024

Recent Events:

1. Staffing Update & School Population
 - a. New staff this year or notable changes:
 - i. Mr. Clinton Stoffberg – Music/Band
 - ii. Mr. Oliver LeClair – Librarian (increase to 0.7 FTE this year)
 1. Ms. Rudolph returns in January 2025
 - iii. Ms. Daphne Francombe – ELL/International 0.5 FTE
 - iv. Ms. Christina Merwin – Shared grade 5/6 with Ms. Smith
 - v. Ms. Emily Sugiyama – Office Support Clerk Tuesdays and Thursdays
 - vi. EA staffing has been increased to 14 overall
 1. Ms. Cindy Cassidy (grade 1)
 2. Ms. Sarina Perneel (grade 3/4)
 - b. Population is holding at 335 currently with no overflow yet from Cameron.
2. We also have 2 UBC student teachers starting in October in Div. 2 & 3 who will be with us throughout the year & EA practicum students as well.
 - a. Student Teachers
 - i. Every Thursday (Oct. 3 – Dec. 12)
 - ii. 2 week observations (Oct. 21 – Nov. 1 daily)
 - iii. Every Thursday (Jan. 9 – Mar. 13th)
 - iv. Extended Practicum (Mar. 31 – June 6 full immersion)
 - b. EA Practicum for 4 weeks starting in October
3. Thank you parents
 - a. BIG thanks to PAC Exec for arranging and running the coffee and treats welcome on the first day of school.
 - b. Wonderful to see so many families out for the Goal Setting Conferences and the BBQ
 - c. Thanks for all the volunteers helping with the Terry Fox Run (Markers and Spotters)...and all the fundraising...gonna be a lot of cold and wet staff.
4. Student Leadership
 - a. We have over 50 grade 6/7's signed up for Leadership (10 from Lyndhurst) to take on initiatives and events to support community building at our school.
5. Cross Country is underway
 - a. We have approximately 25 students in Cross Country (grades 4 – 7) and their first meet is this Thursday
 - b. Huge thanks to Ms. Smith and Mr. Stoffberg for coaching & giving their time

Upcoming Events:

1. Orange Shirt Day (Sept. 27th)
 - a. Recognition of the harms caused by Residential Schools and to learn from previous mistakes
 - b. Age-appropriate activities throughout the week, culminating on Friday with a school-wide assembly at 11:00 a.m. (families welcome to join us)

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2. National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Sept. 30th) – Schools Closed Monday, Sept. 30th