



## ÉCOLE PUNTLEDGE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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WEEKLY E-BULLETIN –September 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

Good Morning Parents / Guardians,

We had a wonderful first week of school! There were lots of smiles, an abundance of energy and an eagerness to learn and grow. All signs point to another exciting year at École Puntledge Park!

Here are a few items for your consideration this week:

**1. Allergies / Nuts / Peanuts** - Several students and staff at École Puntledge have severe **allergies to tree nuts and peanuts**. Please do not send these to school with your child for snacks or lunch. If you are sending an alternative to nut butters, please clearly label them so that lunch monitors know it is not a nut product. If your child consumes nuts or nut products before school, please ensure their hands and faces are washed before coming to school. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated. A few people's lives depend on it!

**2. Wacky, Walky, Wheelie Wednesdays** - Will start up again this Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> in the school parking lot. Students are invited to ride their bikes, scooters and skateboards before school and during the morning and lunch recesses. Supervision begins at 8:30 am and students must wear a helmet (we have some at the school office if needed). A reminder that the school parking lot will be closed Wednesdays until 12:10. WWW will continue every week until late fall.

**3. Kindergarten** - First full day of school on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> for our 70 Kindergarten students. Welcome to the class of 2032!!!!

**4. School Supplies** – Thanks to those who've already brought in cheques for school supplies and a reminder for others to please do so as soon as possible – cheque payable to École Puntledge Park.

**5. Parent Advisory Committee** - Your PAC is getting ready for another exciting year with many activities, fundraisers and events:

\*HOT LUNCH PROGRAM: looking for volunteers Oct-Dec, every second Tuesday. Set up, serving, clean-up. Volunteer for one time or many! Contact Sandra at: [sandrannichols@yahoo.ca](mailto:sandrannichols@yahoo.ca)

\*BAGGED LUNCH PROGRAM: Looking for volunteers about 20 minutes one morning a week at drop-off to make sandwiches for kids who have not been able to bring a lunch, please contact Ran Dickman [randickman@yahoo.ca](mailto:randickman@yahoo.ca)

\* First PAC meeting of the year on Wednesday, September 18th @ 6:30 pm in the library

**6. Welcome stick after O' Canada** - Students arriving after the O' Canada must report to the office for a welcome stick before going to their class.

**7. Dogs** - In the interest of child and employee safety, please refrain from bringing your dog inside the building. This includes walking through the building to get to the interior courtyard. Also, please ensure your dog is not near the busy school and classroom doorways. Thanks for your cooperation in keeping everyone safe and ***feeling*** safe. You may know your dog is harmless, but some students have significant anxiety / trauma around dogs.

**8. Parking Lot:** Thanks for your patience and understanding with the new parking lot design. Here again is the email sent before school start-up ([click here](#)). We'll be working with students so they know where the new pick-up areas are located.

**9. Dates to Remember:**

**Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>** – Wacky, Walky, Wheely Wednesdays return...bring your bike, scooter, rollers, helmets

**Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>** – Terry Fox Run (1:45 pm)

**Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** - Orange Shirt Day and Monthly Assembly (9:30 am)

**Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Open House / Salmon Day (2:00 pm)

Have a great week!

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