



Skeena Middle School

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Relationships - Respect - Honesty - Responsibility - Perseverance

This Week at SMS - Oct. 7 to Oct. 11

Traffic Flow and Parking Information

As you are probably well aware, we often have trouble with the flow of traffic in our parking lot especially in the morning when students are being dropped off and at the end of the day when students are being picked up. We have multiple buses in the morning and after school and considerable time and effort has gone into establishing safe and effective traffic measures. Please review the outlined information and follow the processes we have in place. This will help ensure that our students and staff members are safe and that traffic will flow through the parking lot as efficiently as possible:

1. There should be no parking, drop off, or pick up on Munroe St. This slows down traffic significantly and causes more congestion.
2. The first section of parking spaces when you enter our parking area is being used by staff – as such, we are asking parents/guardians to park in the second section of parking spaces when picking up or dropping off students.
3. We have a crossing guard/bus monitor at the front of the school in the afternoons – please ensure that you watch for her and follow her directions.
4. **Vehicles may not drive in the bus lane closest to the school, especially during our two busy times of the day in the AM and PM.**
5. We are requesting that when picking up your child after school, please proceed to the second parking area so as to allow vehicles behind yours to enter.

*** Thank you for your support and cooperation in helping us to keep our students, staff and family members safe at all times.**

Band Fundraiser

Our Band Program is currently doing a Scoops Gourmet Cookie Dough Fundraiser. All orders are due back to the school by Friday, November 15th with orders ready for pick-up by Friday, December 6th. Please see the attached order form. Orders may be dropped off in the Band Room.



Terry Fox Run

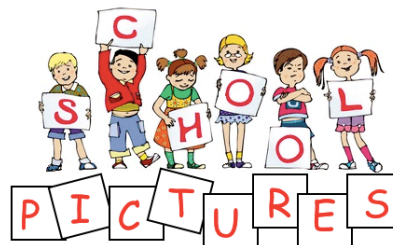
We did our Terry Fox Run together as a school on Thursday, October 3. **Together as a school community, we raised over \$3500 for the Terry Fox Foundation.** We would like to thank our entire school community for their generosity contributing to our fundraising efforts for this incredibly important cause.



A single dream. A world of hope.
The Terry Fox Foundation

Photo Day

Our Photo Day will be on Wednesday, October 9th. All students will get their photo taken on October 9th. Students will bring home a notice this week as a reminder.



Updating Student Information

It is of the utmost importance that our records at school are accurate.

Medical information needs to be accurate; if your child has had a change in their medical profile (eg. onset of asthma, allergies, seizures, etc.), we may not be aware unless the information is updated with the office. Students with life threatening medical concerns (eg. allergies) will have a Care Plan that is updated annually; if your child has a life threatening illness please contact the school to ensure that it is accurately reflected in our records.

Please call 250-635-9136 and speak to a secretary. Thank you for your attention to this important matter

Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA)

From October 1 to November 8, 2024, all the Grade 4 and Grade 7 students at Skeena Middle School, along with all Grade 4 and Grade 7 students throughout British Columbia, will complete the Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA). The Foundation Skills Assessment is an annual province-wide assessment of all B.C. students' academic skills in grades 4 and 7, and provides parents, teachers, schools, school districts and the ministry with important information on how well students are progressing in the foundation skills of Literacy and Numeracy.

Thanksgiving – October 14th

There will be **NO School on Monday, Oct. 14th** due to the Thanksgiving holiday.
Have a fantastic long weekend!



Emergency Procedures

Throughout the school year, all the students and staff at Skeena Middle School will practice our emergency procedures with each class and the school. The emergency procedures that we practice throughout the year include fire drills, intruder alerts, and earthquake drills.

We have a Fire Drill planned for this week. We take the development and practice of these school safety procedures very seriously and will practice all our procedures multiple times throughout the year.

As part of our safety efforts, all parents, caregivers, and guests to the school are required to check in at the office before going elsewhere in the school.

We encourage all of our parents and caregivers to speak to their child about our emergency procedures and discuss these procedures at home. If you have any questions/concerns about any of our Emergency Procedures, please contact the school.



Block Rotation - Oct. 7 to Oct. 11

Mon., Oct. 7 – 7-8-1-2-3
Tues., Oct. 8 – 4-5-6-7-8
Wed., Oct. 9 – 1-2-3-4-5
Thurs., Oct. 10 – 6-7-8-1-2
Fri., Oct. 11 – 3-4-5-6-7

Attendance Reminder

Our warning bell rings each morning at 8:45 AM with our second bell to start classes ringing at 8:50 AM. Any students arriving after the second bell **must** go to the main office for a late slip. If your child is going to be away, please let the main office and their teacher(s) know