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October 2022 Newsletter

Events this Month

Mon. Oct. 3- Picture Day

Tues. Oct 4- Picture Day

Thurs. Oct 6- Pizza order deadline

Mon. Oct. 10- Thanksgiving. No School

Mon. Oct. 10- Popcorn order deadline

Wed. Oct. 12- SCC Meeting

Thurs. Oct. 13- Pizza Day. Hat Day.

Bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank.

Mon. Oct. 17- Popcorn Day

Fri. Oct. 21- No School for students

Thurs. Oct. 27- Halloween Dance for Grade. 4-6

Sat. Oct. 29- Boys 'A' Volleyball tournament @Sunningdale

Mon. Oct. 31- Halloween Costume or Black/Orange Day

School Pictures

Lifetouch will be here to take school portraits on the following days:

October 3: Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten Even class, Grade 1- 4.

October 4: Kindergarten Odd class, Grade 5-8

Picture Retake day is scheduled for November 3.

Messages left for student absences

When leaving messages regarding student absences, please leave students full name, date of absence and the reason for the absence. Thanks for your cooperation.

Message from Administration

What an INCREDIBLE September it was! Warm, colourful and lots of happy kids! After years of no assemblies due to COVID restrictions, we were able to come together as a school community in the gym on three different occasions! Dancing to Cotton Eyed Joe, learning about Terry Fox and honouring those impacted due to Residential Schools was very well received and appreciated by staff and students.

Extra-curricular activities are also in full swing. We are home to 5 volleyball teams and we host the PSSD X-country races with approximately 250 runners at each race. Thank you to our awesome coaches and staff for volunteering their time to make these experiences possible for our students.

Classroom routines and procedures were focused on in early September and we are now concentrating on curricular learning and decreasing students identifying as having elevated levels of anxiety. Teachers will be introducing the new Second Step Program which teaches skills for social and academic success through empathy, emotional management, problem-solving, and anti-bullying. We will also be working with our PSSD Board Office Support Team to implement a plan to target, teach and support our students when it comes to managing anxiety. There will be a parent component so parents can

learn to support their children at home if required. There will be more to come on this at a later date.

Halloween Celebration

Sunningdale School will be participating in a spirit day on **Monday, October 31st**. Students may wear orange and black clothing or they may wear their Halloween costumes. Some guidelines must be followed if your child would like to participate by wearing their costume. Please ensure:



- Costumes follow the school dress code (no clothing with profanity or offensive gestures; no clothing promoting alcohol, drugs, or inappropriate lifestyles; undergarments not exposed;
- Costumes can not include replica weapons of any kind.

Please watch for updates from your classroom teachers about Halloween treats. We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to this special day!

<https://prairiesouth.schoolcashionline.com/>

Student Cell Phones

In 2022-23, our school plan is to take away student cell phones for most of the day so students can concentrate on their learning and enhance social skills. We wish to thank our parents and students for their support with this initiative as we have done really well in the month of September.

As you can see in [this article](#), many challenges come with cell phone use. However, this being said, our staff certainly recognizes that there is a place for cell phones, but it needs to be in moderation.

Our students in Grades 6-8 all have Chromebooks in their classrooms. They also have calculators. For anything educational, the school can provide the technology kids need for learning.

When students arrive in the morning, they place their cell phones in their classroom cellphone hotel, a case on the classroom wall. It stays in the hotel untouched until lunch. Kids can have their phones with them while they eat their lunch. Their phones go back into the hotel before they go outside. Their phone then stays in the hotel until the end of the day. We ask parents to please call the school if you need to get a message to your child throughout instructional hours.

As always, the school is not responsible for lost or stolen devices. If you and your child are concerned with our student cell phone guidelines, we ask that you keep your device at home.

Our goal is to enhance belonging, decrease anxiety and support student learning. Thank you for your support :)

Sunningdale Facebook

Parents/Caregivers who have not yet joined our school's Facebook page, please join by clicking the link below. It is a great way to stay on top of school events and information.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SunningdaleSchool>

School Community Council News

The next SCC meeting will take place Wednesday, October 12 at 7 p.m. in the school library. The SCC welcomes all parents to attend.

Domino's Pizza Lunch will happen on October 13. Please place your order on School Cash. Deadline to order pizza is October 6.

Popcorn Day is October 17. Deadline to order popcorn on School Cash is October 10.

MySchool Sask Parent Portal

Sunningdale School will continue to use MySchool Sask in the online delivery of report cards. Please ensure you have access to your account. It is highly recommended that you use a desktop or laptop computer to log in to your parent portals. Please call the school office if you encounter an issue with your account.

<https://myschoolsask.ca/aspen/logon.do>

Tabs for Tyce

Tyce, a Grade Two student, is collecting pop can tabs to raise funds and awareness for childhood cancers. We have several collection bottles throughout the school to collect pop can tabs for this worthy cause. Let's see how fast we "can" fill those bottles!

TABS 4 TYCE



SAVE YOUR CAN TABS & HELP TYCE RAISE MONEY FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER

School Break Activity Club



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