
April 12th, 2018

T.M. Roberts Elementary School

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*“Every student can learn, just not on the same day, or the same way”
– George Evans*

Literacy Celebration

Our school will be celebrating our love of literacy at a special event at the train museum. More details will follow, but mark May 8th on your calendar to join us for a celebration of literacy.

Parent Teacher Conferences

We will have early dismissal at 2:00 pm for parent teacher conferences the week of April 23rd – 26th Busses will run at regular times. (Friday is a full, normal day).

Talent Show

In the spring, our school hosts a talent show for the students to show off their skills to their peers. Students have classroom tryouts for the talent show starting the week of April 30th.

Parent Satisfaction Survey

Parents of grade 4 students are invited to participate in the Student Learning Surveys. The link is [here](#). To access the survey, scroll to the bottom where it says “Parents” and login where it says “District Access – no logon number needed”. The survey will be open until the end of April.

CBAL Writing Contest

Students in School District #5 are invited to submit their writing to the Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy. Submissions cannot be longer than 2 pages and must be in by April 17th to the school (deadline was extended). Honorees will be celebrated on April 19th at the public library. More details on the attached poster.



Coming Soon...

April 12

PAC Hot Lunch – Boston Pizza

April 13

Non-Instructional Day

April 16

Pro-D Day

No school for students

April 17

CPF Meeting – 7 pm in the library

April 19

Orders due for next PAC Hot lunch

Ready, Set, Learn!

Calling all pre-K students! 3 – 5 year olds are invited to join their neighborhood schools for this great event. Parents and caregivers will receive helpful tips for supporting their preschooler's learning and development as well as being informed with services that are available in our community. Each child who attends will go home with a learning kit. "Ready, Set, Learn" for our school is on May 24th from 9:00 – 10:00 am.

Tick Season

Tick season is here and we've already experienced our first encounter. The following precautions will decrease the likelihood of tick attachment.

1. Wear high boots or tuck pant cuffs into socks. Tuck shirt into pants. Do not wear short pants. Application of commercial insect repellents containing diethyl toluamide (DEET) to the pants may assist in repelling ticks.
2. If possible, avoid game trails or old roads overgrown or closely lined with vegetation. Tick levels may be high in areas frequented by animals.
3. When resting, sit on a bare rock, a ground sheet, or a vegetation-free area instead of stretching out on vegetation.
4. Make daily examinations for ticks, paying particular attention to the pubic region, the base of the skull, and the scalp. Check the backs of everyone in the group and carefully inspect any children. Clothes should be closely examined for ticks, especially near the collar, after they have been hanging overnight.

Jump Rope for Heart

Fundraising is still open until April 30th. If students wish to fundraise, they can do so online by creating an account under our school [here](#). When you search for our school, put a space between the "T" and the "M", (T M Roberts). When you fundraise online, as opposed to collecting cash and cheques, students will automatically receive a skipping rope and the donor will receive a receipt. All fundraising must be completed by April 30th.

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration is now open! If you know of anyone who is coming to join us in September, please ask them to register ASAP so that we can plan for next year. Knowing this information in advance helps us find staff, if need be. Thanks for your help.

2018-2019 School Year

We are currently making plans for next year. If you are considering changing schools or moving from the French to the English program, please contact the school with this information so that we can plan for next year. As we start to look at our classroom compositions, if there is any information you feel that the school should take into consideration while making these decisions please send this information in writing to the Principal, Mrs. Tyson by April 30th.

Royal Canadian Legion Track Meet

Just a reminder that students can participate in the Royal Canadian Legion's Annual Outdoor Track & Field Meet. The meet is sponsored by the West Kootenay Zone of the Royal Canadian Legion as well as local Legion Branches 11 (Trail), 14 (Rossland), 170 (Castlegar) and 276 (Slocan). The meet is sanctioned by BC Athletics and this is the 17th consecutive year we have hosted the event.

Athletes aged 9 years and older (DOB 2009 and earlier) are eligible to compete. The meet is scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2018 at Haley Park, in Trail. Opening ceremonies get under way at 10:00 am. This year there are a limited number of events for Masters (35+) athletes.

This meet also serves as the Zone 1 BC Summers Games Trials for those athletes born in 2003 and 2004. Athletes wanting to compete in the BC Summer Games must compete in this meet.

There is an entry fee of \$12.00 per athlete + \$3.00 Day of Event Fee for non-BC Athletics members, which is payable during registration. The entry fee is for the whole event and athletes can compete in as many events as they desire. Pre-registration is not required but would be appreciated. E-mail registration is accepted. The entry information is available on the Trail Track & Field Club web-site (www.trailtrackclub.ca).

As this is not a school-sponsored event, parents may enter their children without a teacher-sponsor present

A Message from Canadian Parents for French

We had a very successful last few months. Below is a quick summary of what the local Chapter of CPF (parents) led and/or organized.

We had our annual Buddy Day at Parkland for grade 6's from TM and grade 7's from Parkland. This is an endeavor to help kids in FI feel more comfortable with being in FI in middle school, where the numbers seem smaller. We had sled races, cookies, hot cocoa and Bonhomme was there too.

We also brought in Anne Glover, a professional storyteller who uses string and teaches students how to be creative with string. She made this fascinating and fun at TM Roberts, Parkland and Isabella Dicken School. This was paid by accessing grant money from the greater Canadian Parents for French (from the government -Heritage Canada) as well as school French funding.

Volunteers led two Bingo nights went well at TM Roberts Elementary School and these were well attended.

Concours d'art Oratoire (a French public speaking event) was held at TM, Mt Baker and Fernie Secondary School. Thanks to the teachers and also to Danielle Gibson, a teacher at Fernie Secondary School for organizing and leading the Regional Competition this past week. This will allow 1st place winners to compete at provincials! (grades 6-12).

Take care, Katrin Powell, local parent volunteer with CPF

Canadian Parents for French

The next CPF meeting will be held Tuesday, April 17th in the TM Roberts library 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

Save-On-Foods

Remember that when you shop on Save-On-Foods to ask the cashier to put 5% of your purchase towards TM Roberts. This money goes towards paying for bussing and field studies.



PE classes are enjoying a badminton unit for the next couple of weeks

Running Club

We have begun running club for the spring! Running club occurs on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon hour for students grades 3 – 6 (and some really keen grade 2's). We will also begin our weekly School Wide Run at the end of the week on April 20th.



Month at a Glance

April 12th	PAC Hot Lunch – Boston Pizza
April 13th	Non-Instructional day
April 16th	Pro-D day, students do not attend
April 17th	CPF Meeting 7:00- 8:00 pm in the library
Apr. 23rd – 26th	2:00 pm Dismissal for Parent Teacher conferences
April 23rd – 27th	Take Me Outside Week
April 19th	Orders due for the next PAC Hot Lunch
Apr. 26th	PAC Hot Lunch – Booster Juice
April 30th	Auditions for the Talent Show begin (in classrooms)
May 2nd	PAC Meeting 6:30 – Childcare available!
May 10th	PAC Hot Lunch – Pizza Day

