

Hello Denman Families,

Another exciting week at the school with an amazing day of Indigenous learning on Wednesday, a surprise sleepover for 6 staff and Fun Sock Friday today. We have so much to be thankful for this week!

Thank-you so much to Heather Royal Brant for sharing her culture and beautiful story telling with us. She also was a big contributor in making the yummy soup and tea we had for lunch on Wednesday. Thank-you to Jessica Thompson for making 4 big fruit crisps using the school garden fruit, the students and staff loved the delicious treat. We also enjoyed beautiful bread from Bronwynn and Yogi's bakery. We had enough food to have hot lunch again today! It sure feels good to have fresh, local food to share with the students and staff.

There has been a change in the guidelines for masking in schools from the Ministry of Education and Public Health Office. "Effective Monday October 4th, 2021, all students from Kindergarten to grade 12 are required to wear masks indoors in school and on all school busses." Please see the attached letter from the superintendant for further information. This guideline will also be extended to K-12 afterschool programs with DICES. Masks will be made available for students at the school.

This Monday looks like the first day we will be able to have our walking field trip off the school grounds. Thanks to everyone who has returned their forms so that we can now make bigger plans. This Monday, Oct 4th we will be walking to the Piercy Rd beach access and spending only a few minutes down at the beach to practice being mindful and noticing the changes in nature through our senses.

DICES has had a few last minute changes to their schedule so if you haven't seen it or still want to sign up for a class I will add the link [here](#).

The PAC meeting this month will be on Thursday October 26th from 4-5 in the library. I have attached the minutes from our last meeting here as well. Come out to the meetings and find out what is happening around the school. We even have free childminding! You can email Lindsay at denmanpac2021@gmail.com if you are interested or would like to know more.

October is going to be a busy month of important dates to remember so here it is at a glance:

Oct 4-8 Great Shake Out and Fire Prevention Week

Oct 11 Day of Thanks - no school

Oct 14 Individual Photo Day

Oct 22 Professional Development Day - no school

I wish you all a lovely and restful weekend.

Yolanda Lehton

