Week At A Glance September 19, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We had a great week of learning inside and outside with our first school walk and our first salad bar of the year. Teachers and students are working on Math and Literacy assessments over the next few weeks to set up their learning plans for the year and help students set their academic goals.

This year, we will be having three student led conferences for parents to attend. Student-led conferences are a powerful and valuable way for student and families to engage in the learning process together. Students take ownership and pride over their goals and progress and families are able to actively participate in their student's learning process. The first one will be in early November, the second will be in February and the final one will be in June. Student led conferences are 30 minute meetings where your student will lead you through a variety of tasks including goal setting, viewing their eportfolio and showcasing their learning to date. Conferences will be primarily held during the school day while students are session. We will not be having the traditional parent-teacher conference day in November. Teachers will be at the student-led conferences to help facilitate discussions and will not be available for private conversations. Families will be asked to make appointments if needed. More information including the dates will be shared in the weeks to come. We are excited to share this engaging process with our school community.

Open House

Wednesday, Sept 28th 4:30-5:30 Come tour you student's classroom, meet their teacher and enjoy a fun treat together. 4:30-5 In the school/classrooms and 5-5:30 families will move outside for mango sorbet. Mark your calendars, we hope you can make it.

Salad Bar

First salad bar of the year was a hit! Thanks to Sam and Emily of Two Roads, we had so many local, fresh items for students to try. This week we are making Taco Soup! We will also have some fresh guacamole and tortilla chips. We are encouraging all students to walk past the salad bar even if they have a packed lunch, maybe they will see something they would like to try.

PAC

The Denman School Parent Advisory Council is looking for parents to take on positions in the PAC this year. They are looking for all positions including president, treasurer, secretary and members at large. Please email me if you are interested in being a part of the Denman School PAC.

Terry Fox Run and Fundraising

Starting tomorrow students are fundraising for Cancer Research through our annual Terry Fox run. Our school goal is to raise \$200 which is approximately \$4 per student. Students can ask friends and family to donate or sponsor your student to do some laps around the chip trail. Our run will be before lunch on Friday, Sept 23 and will include several prize draws in each class. Donations can be dropped off at the office throughout the week. Thanks for supporting the students and our school fundraising goal.

CHEQ Survey

Kindergarten parents, the survey codes were sent home with your child. If you haven't received it or it has been misplaced, email me and I will send you another copy. The information is helpful for early childhood education and community childcare planning.

Upcoming Dates:

Sept 22 Thursday - Salad Bar Lunch

Sept 23 Friday – Terry Fox Run – school fundraising goal is \$200

Sept 26 – 30 Wear Orange Week – Every Child Matters and Indigenous Reconciliation Week

Sept 26 Monday – School walk 1-2pm

Sept 28 Wednesday – Open House 4:30-5:30

Sept 29 Thursday – Indigenous Focus Day and Orange Salad Bar!

Sept 30 Friday – National Indigenous Peoples Day – No School