



ÉCOLE PUNTLEDGE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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WEEKLY E-BULLETIN – September 19th – 23rd

Dear Puntledge Families,

Many tired students and staff at the end of this week – the first full week of school! Tuesday, we welcomed all 70 Kindergarten students for their first full day of school. It was certainly a fun week of settling into new routines in new classrooms. We look forward to another exciting week ahead.

Here are a few items for your consideration this week:

PAC News

- a) **PAC Meeting** - Wednesday, September 21st @ 5:00pm in the School Library (30 min meet and greet) and then meeting via Zoom at 5:30 ([link here](#)) Child minding by our grade 7s will also be available.
- b) **Salmon Fest Volunteers** – October 6th is our annual(ish) Salmon Fest and PAC is looking for volunteers to help. From PAC:

We'd love to have at least 30 parent volunteers. It's October 6 from 2:30pm to 4pm. We're looking for people to help out with set up, food prep, take down and running activities such as music, salmon printing and salmon races. The PAC is also open to parents bringing their own ideas for activities to run during the event. Anyone interested, please contact Jen Waller at jwaller@ualberta.ca

Or fill out this quick form to specify your preferences [SALMON DAY 2022](#)

School Supplies -Costs are \$20 for K and \$25 for grades 1-7. We accept e-transer at puntledge@sd71.bc.ca or cheques/cash through the office.

Terry Fox Run - Please join us for the annual school Terry Fox Run next Friday, September 23rd, starting at 1:30 pm. Students in K, gr. 1 and gr. 2 will run in the back field while students in grades 3-7 will run a route through the neighbourhood and Puntledge Park. Thank you to all those that have volunteered to help with traffic control. We now have enough volunteers.

Terry Fox Fundraising – Terry Fox said, "**anything is possible if you try.**" Inspired by his amazing example, our school is proudly taking part in this year's **Terry Fox School Run**. Please consider supporting us in our **try**, and help us raise much-needed funds for cancer research. This year, every Twoonie donated enters your child's name in a draw to pie Mr. Burdett or Mr. Streit. To ensure your child's name is in the draw please add the students full name in the donation section. The "pieing" will occur just before we send off our runners and will be recorded and shared with the school community. You can donate by clicking on the link [Puntledge Terry Fox](#)

Cross-Country Running - Interested students from grades 3 to 7 were invited to join the Cross-Country running team for lunch recess practices. Races are Sept. 28 at Cumberland, October 5 at Valley View, October 12 at Huband, October 19 at Coeur de L'ile, October 26 at Brooklyn. . Participants received a permission form with more details today. We will have more forms at the office for those absent today. Our first practice will be next week. If we missed your student today not to worry, we have more forms at the office.

Student Information Verification Forms - Please return the completed Student Information Verification Form sent home with your child last week. These forms are important in ensuring we have the correct contact information for parents and guardians.

Volunteer Drivers for Field Trips and Sports – If you think you'll be volunteering as a parent driver this school year, you can get a head start on the vetting process. Here's what you'll need:

- [Driver's Abstract from ICBC](#)
- [School District Volunteer Driver Form](#)

First 2 pages of insurance is required, showing minimum of \$1 million liability
Copy of Driver's License.

All information should be sent by email to puntledge@sd71.bc.ca. Scanning documents or taking a picture will work to send via email.

The School District's updated volunteer policies require **volunteers** with Puntledge Elementary to complete a criminal record check.

There is no charge to volunteers the checks are valid for 5 years and the results are usually confirmed in 2-4 weeks. Please keep your proof of submission until results are confirmed.

*You can not copy and paste the access code.

If you would like to volunteer in any capacity, please fill out a criminal record check.

Please use the [online CRC process here](#).

The access code is: 4HN64GAEQ9.

Please note if you completed a CRC last year please contact the office at puntledge@sd71.bc.ca to confirm we have it on record.

Dates to Remember

- **Sept. 23** Terry Fox
- **Sept. 26-29** Reconciliation week
- **Sept 28** Cross Country Cumberland
- **Sept 29** Orange shirt day.
- **Sept. 30 Reconciliation Day No School**
- **Oct. 5** Cross Country Valley View
- **Oct. 5** Photo Day

- **Oct. 4-6** Bike week grade 4s and 5s extra parking lot closures
- **Oct. 6** Salmon Day/Open house
- **Oct. 10 Thanksgiving No School**

Have a great week!

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