

October 2016

Kindergarten Newsletter

Dear parents/Bonjour les parents,

The leaves are falling, autumn winds are blowing and Old Man Winter is knocking on the door.

Our themes for this month include: Fall, Colors, Numbers, Thanksgiving and Halloween.

Please read, and mark your calendar with, these important dates.



Important Dates:

October 7	Professional Learning Day – No School for Students
October 10	Happy Thanksgiving – No School
October 11	Professional Learning – No School for Students
October 14	Last Day for Catalogue Fundraiser
October 17-21	Scholastic Book Fair
October 20	Student Learning Showcase – no Kindergarten
October 21	Field Trip Forms and Payment Due
October 31	Dress-up party and costume parade. All parents welcome.
November 1	Afternoon Class – Science Centre Field Trip (No School for Morning class)
November 3	Morning Class – Science Centre Field Trip (No School for Afternoon class)

Reminder:

Parents, please check in at the office and sign your child in if they are late. As well, if your child is going to be away, please contact the office at 403-948-5922. Please let us know with a written note or email if your child is going home a different way than usual (i.e. – they are being picked up when they usually take the bus).

Halloween Party:

Halloween activities on October 31st: Students should come to school dressed in their costumes. If students are unable to ride the bus in a costume, please send it for them to put on at school. A party feast will take place in the classroom starting at approximately **10:30 to 11:30 am and 2:30 – 3:30 pm**. Remember that in order to attend all class parties, parents and guardians must have a current police check on file in the office and **we can't wait to see the parents' costumes too!!** I will have Party Sign Up Sheet on the Boot Room Bulletin Board.



Eyes and Ears:

To ensure your child's best performance, we would encourage each family to have their child's eyesight and hearing tested as we begin this new school year. Please let us know if any concerns arise. Eye exams are free for children.

School Website:

In case you have not already done so, please take a minute to visit our website. You can access the Kindergarten teacher web page directly from the École Edwards web site <http://plone.rockyview.ab.ca/edwards/>. On that site you will find our newsletters and much more!

Learning Commons (library) Days:

Please ensure your child keeps their library books in the red plastic library book bags to keep the books safe and clean. Please return books by Wednesday so that they can take out new books. Children will choose a book that will remain in the classroom until they return their library book and red bag. The exchange can then be done in the classroom.

Snack:

We are working on what a healthy snack looks like in our classrooms so please ensure that your child is bringing a small and **nutritious snack** with them to school. We make sure to mention that cookies and chips are treats that are fine to have in moderation **at home** - they don't count towards a nutritious snack. Cheese, meats, fruits and vegetables are the best and most nutritious snacks for kindergarten. This helps our students listen and learn their very best! Thanks for your support!



Thank you very much for your support,

Mr. Milford, Mme Willick, Mme Hamilton, Mme Trout