

Alwin Holland Elementary School Newsletter

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Important Dates

*Have a
wonderful,
safe,
refreshing
summer.*

*See you in
September!*



TEAM - Together Everyone Achieves More

Our Mission: We promote a growth mindset. Everyone is engaged and is working together as a community with unconditional acceptance for all.

START UP INFORMATION IS TENTATIVE. WE FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS OF THE PROVINCIAL HEALTH OFFICER, THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, AND OUR SCHOOL BOARD.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK OR KEEP AN EYE ON OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES.
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First Day - Grades 1 to 6 - Tentative

We do not yet know what September will look like. If we have a typical start-up, the first day of school for students in Grades 1 to 6 will be Tuesday, September 8th. It is a short day and begins at 8:50 am (welcoming bell at 8:45 am) and end at 10:50 am. Students will need to meet staff, by grade, in the field or in specific classrooms if the weather does not cooperate.

Wednesday, September 9th would be the first full day with classes beginning at 8:50 am and ending at 2:50 pm.

Kindergarten - Gradual Entry - Tentative

Usually there is a gradual entry for kindergarten students that begins on the Wednesday and it is set up according to the last name of the students.

	<u>Last Name A - L</u>	<u>Last Name M - Z</u>
Wed. Sept 9th	9:30-11:00 am	1:00-2:15 pm
Thurs. Sept 10th	1:00-2:15 pm	9:30-11:00 am

There is no school for kindergarten students Friday, Sept. 11th or Monday, Sept. 14th.

Tuesday, Sept. 15th - all kindergarten students attend 9:15 am - 1:00 pm. Make sure your child has a snack, lunch, backpack and indoor shoes.

Wednesday, Sept. 16th - first full day (8:50am - 2:50 pm)

School Supplies & Charges - 2020/2021

School supplies, agendas, cultural activities and some bussing for field trips is covered at the following rates:

Kindergarten	\$45
Grades 1 - 5	\$57
Grade 6	\$87

(includes required iPad insurance)

These costs will be collected beginning in mid-September.

Registrations, Variances & Office Hours

If you know of anyone who lives in our new catchment area with school-aged children, encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible to register (if they are not already registered). Because we have only eight divisions next year it is very important to have accurate numbers.



If someone does not live in our catchment area, but they would like to attend Alwin Holland, they **MUST** register at their catchment area school and request a variance to Alwin Holland. (There is a form to be completed.) We look at variance requests after the first week of school is over to see if we can accommodate any requests. Students in the Anne Roberts Young catchment area may not request a variance to a different school.

The school office will be open the week of August 31st - September 4th. Hours to be determined.

Grade 6 Farewell

We wish all of our grade six students all the best next year and in the years to come. We were unable to have a dinner celebration, but we were able to create a slideshow for the students. Grade 6 school awards are as follows:

Academic Achievement (Dog Tags)

Mr. Hetherington - Noelle C, Kennedy D, Sofia G, Kingsley K, Kohen V
Mrs. Turner-London/Mrs. Ross - Carson B, Kyrsten B, Jenna E, Evander R
Mr. Platzer - Taha A, Maddie B, Advai N, Jason W

Most Improved - Nominees - Liam D, Keeli D, Ethan L

Winner - Keeli D

Citizenship - Nominees - Elizabeth B, Noelle C, Jenna E, Sofia G, Kingsley K, Evander R

Winner - Sofie G

Top Athlete - Nominees - Carson A, Maddie B, Keeli D, Mickayla G, Cael S

Winner - Cael S

Top Academic - Nominees - Kyrsten B, Kennedy D, Kingsley K, Evander R, Jason W

Winner - Jason W

Principal's Award - Nominees - Kyrsten B, Kennedy D, Jenna E, Kingsley K

Winner - Kyrsten B



Renovations

The outside of the school is in the process of being renovated. You have probably been watching the progress as all of the windows have been replaced and new siding has been installed. It will be a fresh start in September!

Staffing Updates

With our catchment change, we are losing eight divisions. We bid farewell to the following staff members and wish them all the best in their new positions.

Teaching at Anne Roberts Young - Ms. Wigglesworth, Mrs. Hollman, Ms. Duncan, Ms. Hedges, Mr. Kurkiniemi

Teaching at Ma Murray - Mr. Platzer, Mr. Gray

Teaching at CM Finch - Ms. Riediger

Teaching at Robert Ogilvie - Mr. Hetherington

EAs - Ms. Banks, Mrs. Brekkaas, Mrs. Platz, Mrs. Berrey

Thank You & Farewell

We would like to thank all of our parents, guardians, and other volunteers for their help this year and also past years. Your contributions have made Alwin Holland a great school, and many of you are leaving us!

For our 64 grade six students and 175 other students who are moving next year, we wish you all the best in your new school!

For our returning students and their parents/guardians, have a great, safe summer and we will see you, somehow, in September!

From the PAC

Thank you to everyone who supported the PAC this year -- it has been a great year.

President/Chairperson - Cheryl Batten Treasurer - Jeanné Nolan Secretary - Kim Howells

DPAC - Jen Caithcart Fundraising - Megan Matson

Hot Lunch/Volunteer Coordination - Stacy Flotre

Events/Playground Coordinator - Catherine Polsen

The next PAC meeting is the Annual General Meeting which will be held in late September/early October. With the change to the school's enrollment, there will be a change to the PAC. The following executive positions will need to be filled:

Chairperson Secretary DPAC Rep

As well, there are coordinator positions such as: hot lunch, parent volunteers, fundraising

Please consider how you can serve the Alwin Holland School community by volunteering to be a part of the PAC.

Check us out on Facebook: Alwin Holland Elementary PAC

Thank you!

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