

šx^wəx^wa?əs Thunderbird Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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šxwəxwa?əs Thunderbird Families:

June is a busy month! As we near the end of the school year, teachers are hard at work assessing student learning and preparing final reports. Year-end reports are meant to communicate a summative assessment of your child's successes and area to work on over the year. A strength-based reporting approach is used, which emphasizes a student's capabilities and aptitudes and includes the student's own voice through student self-assessments. These reports, along with all other communication throughout the school year should give parents an in-depth look of a student's learning throughout the school year. Year-end CSL (Communicating Student Learning) Reports will go home on Monday, June 24th.

This week was Bike to School Week, and our second annual *Bike Fest*! The weather was wonderful, and it was a great time playing games and riding with our friends! Thanks to the PAC and the parents who supported and organized this event. It is a great way to encourage active transportation, and environmentally friendly and healthy options to commute.

A reminder, on **June 19, 4:30pm – 7:00pm**, the PAC will be hosting the Spring Carnival in our Lunchroom/Activity Room and under cover area at the south side of the building. There will be games and other fun activities outside for families, as well as food and snacks.

This Wednesday, Divisions 1 and 2 held their Young Entrepreneurs Show. Over the past six weeks, they created business plans and developed products. The students worked in teams to manufacture, market, and sell their products. It was a fun, hands on way to learn about business development, production, and money handling.

Attached is our yearly calendar for 2024-25 with some minor amendments.

Lastly, if families are planning on leaving early for summer vacation this June, please inform the office and the teacher. This helps us better plan for year-end activities.

Have a safe and restful weekend!

Brad Toews Principal šxwəxwa?əs Thunderbird Elementary School

"No. I can survive well enough on my own—if given the proper reading material." - Sarah J. Maas

Important Dates

- Wednesday, June 19, 2024: SPRING CARNIVAL hosted by the PAC @ 4:30 pm 7:00pm
- Sunday, June 16, 2024: Father's Day
- Thursday, June 20, 2024: Grade 7 Moving Forward Ceremony AM
- Friday, June 21, 2024: National Indigenous People's Day
- Monday, June 24, 2024: Report Card #3 Goes Home
- Wednesday, June 26, 2024: School Picnic Sunrise Park
- Thursday, June 27, 2024: Last of School

Safe Arrival

If your child will be absent or late, please call **604-713-5159 Ext. 81** or Email **tbrdattendance@vsb.bc.ca** by 9:00 AM.

Please do not call the school office.

PAC News

The Thunderbird Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is now up and running for the 2023-2024 school year. The PAC is a great way to become involved in your child's educational and school life and contribute to the school. The PAC's main roles are to promote the education and welfare of students, encourage parent involvement in the school, advise the school on matters relating to the school, and contribute to a sense of community within the school and between the school, home, and neighbourhood. Our meetings are typically held on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm and last approximately an hour, from September to June.

The next Friday Morning PAC Coffee: TBA – New School Year

The next PAC meeting of the school year is **Wednesday**, **September 11**, **6-7 pm** in the library. Dinner and babysitting provided. RSVP by returning the paper form sent home or emailing <u>pac_tbrd@vsb.bc.ca</u>.

PAC Information and meeting minutes can be found: HERE

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