



# *The Parkway Eagle*

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***April 2011***



I hope everyone had a great Spring Break and is ready for the busy next three months. Keep the newsletter calendar on your fridge and don't miss any of the upcoming, exciting events at Parkway!

## TRANSFER REQUESTS



The deadline for students requesting transfers from their catchment area school or current school to another school in School District No. 67 for the September 2011/2012 school year is **4:00 pm, April 15, 2011**. Transfer requests received after April 15<sup>th</sup> may not be considered until September 2011. Please contact your child's school for further information.



School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha)  
**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**



Children born in 2006 are eligible to enter kindergarten in September 2011. Parents who feel their child is not yet ready for kindergarten may defer enrollment for one year. Please contact Wendy Hyer (250-770-7700) at the School Board Office for information on this.

Placement in your neighborhood school kindergarten is based on your address and registration date. The earlier you register, the more likely your child will attend a school close to your home.

Register at your neighborhood school during regular school hours. **A birth certificate and proof of address will be required.**

## PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR

It may seem like a long way off, but we are in the early stages of planning for next year. You can help us by:

- Letting us know if you are planning to move before September 2011.
- If you know people who have moved into our area, but have kept their children at another school for the rest of this school year, have them register **at Parkway now** for next September.
- If you know people with kindergarten aged children, encourage them to **register now** for next September.

Thank you!

## RECYCLING



Parkway Elementary has been operating a very successful recycling program. The program which recycles juice cartons, cans and paper, operates with the expert guidance of Mrs. Allan, Mrs. Terry, Mrs. Hulley, Mrs. Martin and their enthusiastic student helpers. The program involves and teaches our children about the need to recycle and conserve in their everyday activities. At the same time, their efforts make our school a cleaner place. Our active students that work on the projects do planning, sorting, and collecting as a special service to their peers. At the same time, they learn valuable skills. Thank you for supporting our recycling program. The benefits help Parkway students in many ways.

## SCHOOL FUN RUN!



Our school Fun Run will begin again on Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Students will be running outside at 11:35 am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week. **It is important that your children have their runners ready** - hopefully the weather will co-operate. All our students will eagerly collect house team points by counting their running/walking laps during each FUN RUN!!! You are welcome to join us!

## REPORT CARDS



Second term report cards were sent on or before March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011. If your child did not bring one home, please ask them about it or contact your child's teacher. Please review the report card with your child and return the signed envelope to school as soon as possible.

## PAC MEETING - MONDAY, APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> 7:00 pm



Please come out and support our school and find out about the latest news from the PAC. Thanks to everyone who has worked so hard on our many fundraising events and to all of our parents who have organized and served our hot lunches and helped with the breakfast program. You are all doing a great job! Thank you.

## LIBRARY NEWS



A huge "thank you" to all of the volunteers that helped out with the Book Fair. We surpassed our sales goal of \$2,000 ~ selling \$2,200 in product! That means the Parkway Library will be getting \$1,000 from Scholastic Canada to spend on new library books! Thank you to Eagle Sweets for using their profits to purchase new books for the library. And congratulations to Justine Smith who is the winner of the \$25 "Scholastic Family Event" draw.

## MOVIE NIGHT, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup> 6:00 pm



The Movie Night will be held in our school gym ~ the movie title is still to be announced. Hope to see you there!

## GRADE 4/5 CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING TEAM



The Grade 4/5 Cross Country Running Team sign-up is on Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Students will train during our School Fun Run. All students who sign up and train will participate in our Parkway Team Run Finale in May. About 25-30 of those runners will be invited to participate in the Kaleden Run on May 20<sup>th</sup>.



## HOUSE TEAM TOTALS

|                      |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| Red Hawk Eagles      | 28805 |
| Blue Sea Eagles      | 29175 |
| Yellow Golden Eagles | 29465 |
| Green Bald Eagles    | 28525 |

## OUTDOOR PLAYGROUND GAMES



On March 8<sup>th</sup> twenty of our grade 4 and 5 students were trained by an 'Action Schools' leader to teach our students different outdoor playground games. Games included were: Tag, Chinese Skipping, Hopscotch, Long Rope Skipping, Four Square, and Wall and Ball Games. Our student leadership team will rotate the teaching of these games to their house team groups during the Fun Run.

## PENTICTON MINOR HOCKEY REGISTRATION



Hockey registration for the male and female program is from May 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>. After June 30<sup>th</sup> late fees apply. Registration forms available May 1, 2011 at **Game Time Sports** (Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm) & **Skaha Pharmacy** (Monday-Friday 9am-6pm and Saturday & Sunday 9am-3pm). For more info contact Administrator at 490-9696 or [administrator@pentictonminorhockey.com](mailto:administrator@pentictonminorhockey.com)



## Ready Set Learn

Do you have a 3 or 4 year old?

You are invited to a special event in the Kindergarten Room on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>,  
from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

### Why should you and your child come?

1. We'll have drinks and goodies!
2. You can meet the Kindergarten teacher.
3. You can expose your child to wonderful educational toys.
4. You can help your preschooler become comfortable in the classroom and with the teacher.
5. The Public Health Nurse will be there to answer questions.

## WALKING TO SCHOOL

We encourage our students to walk or bike to school whenever possible. When children walk to school, we can...

- **Encourage physical activity** by teaching children the skills to walk safely, how to identify safe routes to school, and the benefits of walking
- **Raise awareness of how walkable a community is** and where improvements can be made
- **Raise concern for the environment**
- **Reduce crime and take back neighborhoods** for people on foot
- **Reduce traffic congestion, pollution, and speed** near schools

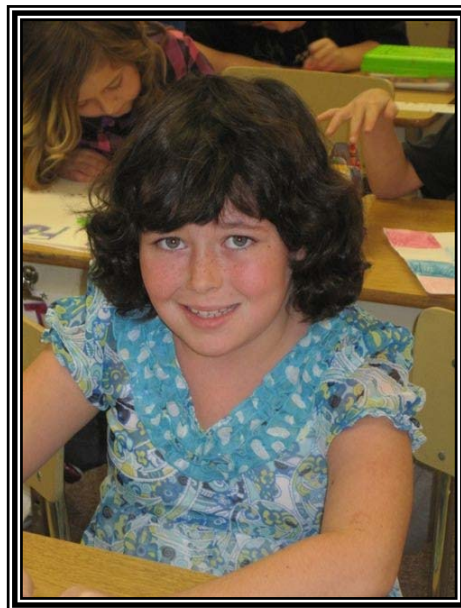
If you walk to school with your child, s/he can count you for points as we try to walk across Canada by the end of June. Please check our map in the school hallway to watch our progress.

## CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

The Rotary Okanagan International Children's Festival will be on May 26-28, 2011, at Okanagan Lake Park. They need volunteers for all areas of the festival including children's activities and workshops, ticket takers and box office, traffic control, site set up and take down. The festival is a fantastic presentation of world class performing arts, music, dancing, workshops and activities for the children in the Okanagan and surrounding area. Help out and join in the fun, and you'll see Circa acrobats, BBoyizm acrobatic dance, Mauvais Sort world music, Splash 'N Boots sing-a-long, Al Simmons musical comedy, and much more! To volunteer, or to find more information, visit the web site at [www.okchildrensfest.com](http://www.okchildrensfest.com) or call Chuck Eggert at 490-3652.



Science  
Is  
Fun!



We had a very successful Science day and evening in March where everyone had fun exploring and discovering science concepts through ten different stations. At the puzzles station, Vida Moore was the first student to ever solve one of the puzzles! Well done, Vida!



**Spring is here** and more students are walking to school. Please take a few minutes to talk to your child(ren) about safety going to and from school. It is important that you remind them not to talk to strangers or to accept rides from anyone but you. Also, if they are riding their bikes to school, please make sure they have a proper helmet and lock and that they know and obey all the rules of the road. Your children's safety is our first priority and we need to work together to ensure this. Thank you and let's have a safe spring!

During this spring season, it is often the case that students wish to bring skateboards, rollerblades and scooters to school. We cannot ensure their safety and so we ask that students leave their skateboards, scooters and rollerblades at home. Walkmans, I Pods, CD's and other electronics should only be at school with teacher permission. Thank you for your help in this matter.

## **KVR MIDDLE SCHOOL ORIENTATION**

**THURSDAY, April 28, 2011**

**9:15 am to 12:00pm**

**KVR School Gym**

KVR is hosting an orientation event for all Grade 5 students (English and French Immersion) entering Grade 6 at KVR in September 2011. This orientation will ease anxiety associated with the transition, familiarize Grade 5's with KVR and provide inclusion activities for all new Grade 5 students to KVR. This event will include a scavenger hunt, pep rally, games and refreshments. Parents are invited to attend and participate.

### **Transportation**

- Carmi, Uplands and Queen's Park students will walk to and from KVR.
- All other students will need to have parents arrange transportation.

### **French Immersion Parent Night**

**Wednesday, April 20th, 2010**

**7:00 to 8:00 pm**

#### **KVR Multi-Purpose Room**

This evening will focus primarily on issues pertaining to the French instruction and include a general orientation. Parents would not need to attend the other General Orientation evening.

### **Grade 6 General Orientation Parent Night**

**Wednesday, April 27th, 2010**

**7:00 to 8:00 pm**

#### **KVR Multi-Purpose Room**

We will be hosting a Parent Night for all parents/guardians of students entering Grade 6 at KVR Middle School in September 2011.



# PARKWAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## APRIL 2011



| Sunday       | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday |
|--------------|--|---|---|--|---|----------|
|              |  |   |   |  | 1   | 2        |
| Spring Break |  |   |   |  |   |          |
| 3            | 4<br>Flag Football<br>Gr. 4 – 10:35<br>Gr. 5 – 11:20<br><br>Multicultural Club @ lunch   | 5<br>Write Out Loud Workshop<br>@ 10:30-11:30<br><br>District Choir 3 – 4 pm  | 6<br>Flag Football<br>Gr. 4 – 10:35<br>Gr. 5 – 11:20<br><br>Gr. 4 Cyberbullying Presentation                              | 7  | 8<br><br>Hot Lunch – Mr. Souvlaki   | 9        |
| 10           | 11<br>Flag Football<br>Gr. 4 – 10:35<br>Gr. 5 – 11:20<br><b>Assembly - 1:00</b><br>PAC Mtg – 7:00 pm                                   | 12<br>Write Out Loud Workshop<br>@ 10:30-11:30<br><br>District Choir 3 – 4 pm | 13<br><b>Spirit Day<br/>Backwards Day</b><br>Flag Football<br>Gr. 4 – 10:35<br>Gr. 5 – 11:20                              | 14<br><b>Choir @ Kiwanis<br/>Music Festival</b>  | 15<br><b>Gr. 4 &amp; 5 Building<br/>Cultural Bridges Day</b><br>Hot Lunch – Taco Time<br><b>Deadline for Transfer<br/>Requests</b><br>T-shirt order forms due | 16       |
| 17           | 18<br>Flag Football<br>Gr. 4 – 10:35<br>Gr. 5 – 11:20<br><b>Barkerville Day -<br/>Mrs. Raitt's Class</b><br>Multicultural Club @ lunch | 19<br>Write Out Loud Workshop<br>@ 10:30-11:30<br><br>District Choir 3 – 4 pm | 20<br>Flag Football<br>Gr. 4 – 10:35<br>Gr. 5 – 11:20<br><br>French Immersion<br>Parent Night – KVR<br>7:00 pm            | 21<br><b>Earth Day</b><br><br>Hot Lunch – Pizza Hut                                    | 22<br><br><b>GOOD<br/>FRIDAY<br/>SCHOOLS<br/>CLOSED</b>   | 23       |
| 24<br>       | 25<br><b>EASTER<br/>MONDAY<br/>SCHOOLS<br/>CLOSED</b>  | 26<br>Write Out Loud Workshop<br>@ 10:30-11:30<br><br>District Choir 3 – 4 pm | 27<br><b>Fun Run</b><br><br>English & French<br>Immersion Parent<br>Night – KVR 7:00 pm<br><br><b>Movie Night 6:00 pm</b> | 28<br><br><b>KVR Gr. 6<br/>Orientation &amp;<br/>Scavenger Hunt –<br/>9:15 - 12:00</b> | 29<br><b>Fun Run</b><br><br>Gr. 4/5 Cross Country<br>Running Sign-up<br><br>Hot Lunch – White Spot  | 30       |

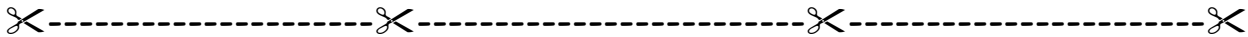
**\*\*\*Please call SAFE ARRIVAL before 9:00 at 250-492-3976 if your child will be late or absent**

# Get Your Parkway T-shirt Ready for Spring!



We are again offering school logo t-shirts for sale in all the house colours.

The cost is \$10 per t-shirt and orders will be taken until April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Cheques can be made out to Parkway Elementary School.



**Sizes Available:** Child - Sm, Md, Lg  
Adult - Sm, Md, Lg, XL, XXL

**Colours:** Red, Blue, Green, Yellow

| Name | Teacher | Size | Colour |
|------|---------|------|--------|
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**Amount enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to the office or classroom teacher by April 15<sup>th</sup>**



After you have read the newsletter, please complete the portion below. Then return it to the school with your child(ren) and they will have their name(s) put into a draw at the end of the month and earn house team points!

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please supply your email address only if you are not already receiving school emails.)*

| Student Name | House Team Colour | Classroom Teacher |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| _____        | _____             | _____             |
| _____        | _____             | _____             |
| _____        | _____             | _____             |

Twenty house team points will also be awarded for returning this form!

If you have any comments, questions, compliments or concerns about Parkway School, please write them below. We are always looking for input.

*Kelly Jones, Principal*

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Yes, I would like you to get back to me. Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

