



# *The Parkway Eagle*

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## *September 2010*

### **Whose Child Is This?**

"Whose child is this?" I asked one day  
Seeing a little one out at play.  
"Mine", said the parent with a tender smile  
"Mine to keep a little while  
To bathe her hands and comb her hair,  
To tell her what she is to wear,  
To prepare her that she may always be good,  
And each day do the things she should".



"Whose child is this?" I asked again.  
As the door opened and someone came in.  
"Mine", said the teacher with the same tender smile.  
"Mine, to keep just for a little while.  
To teach him how to be gentle and kind,  
To train and direct his dear little mind,  
To help him live by every rule,  
And get the best he can from school".



"Whose child is this?" I asked once more,  
Just as the little one entered the door.  
"Ours", said the parent and the teacher as they smiled.  
And each took the hand of the little child.  
"Ours to love and train together.  
Ours this blessed task forever."



Welcome back to Parkway School for the 2010-2011 school year. As with all school years this one promises to be an exciting one!

My name is Kelly Jones and I am the Principal here at Parkway. I am very excited to be starting my third year here. We have a lot of very exciting plans for the year and I hope you will come out and be a part of all of them.

The school is looking great and I hope you will come in and meet me and the other new staff members this week as we get everyone back into the swing of another school year.

So, enjoy the newsletter, keep the calendar on the fridge and come in and meet everyone and join us for a great year here at Parkway! Welcome!



## ***2010 - 2011 PARKWAY STAFF***

ALLAN, Mrs. Wendy, Education Assistant  
 BYRNES, Mrs. Vicki, Grade 1/2  
 CARUSO, Mrs. Kelly, Teacher-Librarian  
 CHURA, Mrs. Jeannine, Education Assistant  
 FAGERLID, Mr. Dennis, Custodian  
 HELLYER, Ms. Karen, Library Assistant  
 HULLEY, Ms. Maureen, Education Assistant  
 JONES, Mr. Kelly, Principal  
 KEMP, Ms. Stacey, Counsellor  
 KILLICK, Mrs. Jean, Secretary/Library Assistant  
 KING, Mrs. Maureen, Grade 1  
 KOHLHAUSER, Mr. Kirk, Custodian-in-charge

MARTIN, Ms. Jeannette, Education Assistant  
 MORGAN, Mrs. Diane, Grade 3  
 PARLIAMENT, Ms. Barb, Grade 2  
 RAITT, Mrs. Shannon, Grade 5  
 SILVIUS, Mrs. Donna, Grade 4  
 TERRIS, Mrs. Cathy, Special Education/LAT/ELI  
 TERRY, Mrs. Helen, Education Assistant  
 TUCKER, Mrs. Sue, Kindergarten  
 TUNNELL, Mrs. Alice, Grade 4/5  
 WATKINS, Mrs. Edi, Grade 2/3  
 WOURMS LARSON, Mrs. Maureen, Speech  
 ZAUGG, Mrs. Crystal, Music



## ***BELL SCHEDULE***

8:38 a.m.	Warning Bell
8:43 a.m.	Morning Classes Begin
10:20 a.m.	Recess
12:05 p.m.	Lunch
12:50 p.m.	Afternoon Classes Begin
2:30 p.m.	Dismissal

## ***PARKWAY SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT***

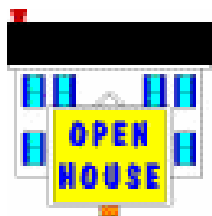


## The Three R's Respect, Responsibility & Rights



Parkway students will be taught the Code of Conduct and be given lots of opportunity to examine and play with it while they are learning it. Ideas such as a "Bully Free Zone" and "Hands Off" will continue to be focused on as they fit with the Code. Students will be reminded of the expectations that are incorporated in the Code and the rights and responsibilities that accompany it.

### ***PARKWAY OPEN HOUSE AND FAMILY DINNER***



The Parkway fall Open House and Family Dinner is scheduled for Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The Dinner begins at 4:30 (time for the line to get through). The opportunity will be there to visit classrooms and purchase t-shirts in the gym. We will keep the dinner going until the t-shirts are gone or until 6:00, whichever comes first. Plan to come out. It should be a great evening.

### ***INDOOR RUNNING SHOES***

Please remember to send a pair of indoor running shoes with your child this month. These will be for inside use only and should remain at the school all year long. Like all of their supplies, please put your name on the inside of the shoes as well. Thanks.



### ***CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING***



As part of our school Daily Physical Activity program, students will start the **Fun Run September 15<sup>th</sup>**. We will run/walk 3 times a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:30am. Parents are welcome to join us. **It is important for students to have proper runners (not flip flops or sandals) for this activity.**

Gr. 4/5 cross-country running club sign up is Sept 29<sup>th</sup>. The students will train for the **Naramata Run** and the **Trout Creek Pumpkin Run** which will be held in October.

### ***STUDENT INFORMATION VERIFICATION FORMS***



These forms will be sent home next week. Please review, complete and return this form to your child's teacher by Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.



### ***STUDENT PLANNERS***

Children from grades 1-5 will once again be receiving a school planner (agenda). PAC helps to fund the planners, so the cost is only \$5.00 per student and can be paid to the classroom teacher. The planners are very important tools for home/school communication. Please make sure you check and sign your child's planner each night for notices and messages from the teacher.

## ***SAFE ARRIVAL***

Our Parent Advisory Council coordinates a daily Safe Arrival Program at Parkway. The program is intended to help keep our students safe. In order to assist, we ask that when your child is going to be absent or late, please call 250-492-3976 to leave a message, **before 9:00 am**. If you are calling after 9:00 am, please call the office at 250-770-7686. If you prefer, you can also send an email to us at school: [parkway@summer.com](mailto:parkway@summer.com). Please state your child's name, his/her teacher's name or division, the length of absence and if appropriate, the reason for the absence.

Thank you to all the parents who have already started using the Safe Arrival program to call in their child's excused lates or absences. We really appreciate these calls as it helps ease the anxiety for you and us when we do not have to worry about where a student is. **THE SAFE ARRIVAL PROGRAM IS IN NEED OF PARENT VOLUNTEERS!! IF YOU CAN SPARE ONE MORNING A WEEK FOR APPROXIMATELY A HALF HOUR PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL.**



## ***LEAVING THE SCHOOL GROUNDS***



Parkway Elementary School, as with most K-5 schools, is a closed campus. In other words, students are not permitted to leave the grounds during the school day without permission of a supervisor. If your child is required to leave the school for appointments or to go home for lunch we ask that you write a note to the child's teacher indicating when and why they are leaving. Your signature will indicate that the note is official. The teacher will countersign the note making it a pass for the child to use when they leave.

If you intend for your child to come home for lunch regularly please indicate this in a note early in the school year so that we are aware of this arrangement. The child does not need a new note for each day if the lunch routine is regular.

Thank you for your cooperation with this request. This policy is in place to assist with ensuring the safety of our students. When we are communicating, less can go wrong.

## ***ONE TO ONE READING PROGRAM***

If you can spare one hour a week, or know of someone in the neighbourhood who can, please support our children by volunteering for the 'One to One' Reading Program and enjoy listening to a student read! Training is provided. For more information **please call 250-770-7686** and leave your name at the Parkway School office with Mr. Jones.



## ***FOOD AT SCHOOL***



We are asking again this year that you do not send pop or candy to school with your child(ren). Likewise, please ensure that they do not go to the store on their way to school in the morning and load up on 'junk food'. It is very important for your child to have a healthy breakfast in the morning followed by a nutritious snack and lunch. Pop and candy will only make it harder for your child to concentrate and focus while working in the class. We appreciate your co-operation.

## ***AFTER SCHOOL PLANS***

We would appreciate if your child made their after school plans prior to school and the parent/guardian wrote them in the child's student planner for the teachers to see. Our office and student telephones are for emergency use only and the students will not be allowed to use them to make or change social plans.



## ***TERRY FOX RUN - WALL OF HOPE***



On Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:20 a.m. Parkway students, parents and staff will participate in the annual school based *Terry Fox Run*.

To bring awareness to how cancer has touched the lives of Parkway families, we are building a WALL OF HOPE. Your child will be bringing home a paper shoe so you and your child can write the names of people you know who have been 'touched' by cancer.

The returned shoes will be displayed on the WALL OF HOPE in our school entrance. Students who return their shoes will be able to enter the draw for a Terry Fox T-shirt.

We will be collecting DONATIONS FOR CANCER in the week prior to the Terry Fox Run. The money raised will go to support cancer research.

We invite you to join your children in the run on Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The staff of Parkway Elementary School thanks you for your support.



## ***SLEEP***



Just a reminder, that as we get back to school and back into our school routines it is very important that our children are getting enough sleep each and every night.

Research has shown us that one of the leading causes of poor behaviour in our children is a lack of sleep each night. Students in grades K to 5 should be getting between 9.5 and 10 hours of sleep each and every night.

Please make sure that your bedtime routines are set up and include 20 to 30 minutes of reading/down time as well. This will certainly help your child to be more successful the next day at school.

## ***STRONGSTART PROGRAM***



Strong Start Centres are now available at four School District 67 Schools - Carmi, Columbia, Giant's Head and Queen's Park. The StrongStart Center focuses on parents/caregivers and their children from 3- 5 years old, but all pre-schoolers are welcome to attend. By offering an environment and play area where parents and children can participate in activities together (art, reading, music/songs, imaginative play and creative activity, etc.), the Centre will support parents with resources

so they better understand and assist their child's development through the first five years of life. This is a free program for all families in the Penticton and Summerland areas.

## ***STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE***

Each year we send home a brochure outlining private insurance that can be purchased by parents for their children. Student injuries that result in dental expenses or out-of-province medical expenses are not paid by the school district. Our district has supported the Student Accident Insurance program to give parents access to low cost coverage for their students.



## ***PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL 2010/2011***



President:	Lindsay Christian
Vice-President	Dirk Goedhart
Treasurer:	Angie Wilson
Secretary:	Sherry-Lynn Pickeniuk
One to One Reading:	Susan Koster
Hot Lunch:	Tina Ben

We will hold our first PAC meeting of the year on Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the School Library. I am really hoping to see a huge turnout at the meeting. Please come out and introduce yourself and help make plans for a great year at Parkway!

# No Smoking



Please note that Parkway School and grounds is a **no smoking** area: we ask that you do not smoke anywhere on our school grounds or in our parking lot. Thank you for your co-operation!

## Parkway Eagles House Team Events

Parkway staff and students are proud to be part of a House team as a **Blue Sea Eagle**, **Red Hawk Eagle**, **Yellow Golden Eagle** or a **Green Bald Eagle**. Our House teams are designed to foster school spirit and a sense of belonging. Students earn house team points in their classrooms for a variety of reasons. They also receive points for participating in our Fun Run each week. All points collected will go towards a team trophy at the end of the year. Last year the Red Hawk Eagles received the trophy!!!

**Upcoming events** include our Fun Run, Outdoor Games sessions with our student leaders and our House Team Rally on Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:45pm.

**Remember to wear your house team colour each Wednesday starting Sept 15<sup>th</sup>.**



Some School T-shirts are available from the office for \$10.00

## A FRIENDLY REMINDER REGARDING NO STOPPING ZONES LOADING ZONES IN SCHOOL AREAS



The *City of Penticton* has asked School District No. 67 schools to communicate the following message to parents and guardians:

"*No Stopping Zone*" signage means a vehicle is not permitted to stop, stand, or be parked in this area. This includes the quick stop to just let the child in or out of the vehicle. A vehicle observed stopped in a "*No Stopping Zone*" is in violation of the Bylaw and shall be ticketed. The ticket fine for this offence is \$50.00.

"*Loading Zone*" signage means a vehicle can stop, stand, or park in this area for the purpose of picking up or dropping off a child. The vehicle, once left unattended, is in violation of the Bylaw. It shall then be ticketed and possibly towed. The ticket fine for this offence is \$50.00.

## **GRADE 4/5 SOCCER TEAM**

Parkway will once again be having a Gr. 4/5 Soccer Team. Sign-up will be held next week. Practices are during lunch and we will arrange a few after school games. Listen to the announcements for more information. Mr. Jones and Mrs. Raitt look forward to an exciting soccer season ☺

## **School Bus**



**To: All Parents of School District No. 67**

In order for students to be eligible for transportation services, they must qualify under the following guidelines:

Grade K-3 must reside more than 4.0 km from their catchment area school

Grade 4-12 must reside more than 4.8 km from their catchment area school

Over the past years, the School District has been able to provide some students with transportation even though they have not qualified under these guidelines. These students are classified as Courtesy Riders.

Please be advised that from time to time the School District may be required to limit the number of courtesy riders on some bus routes.

Where bus transportation is not available for students residing more than 4.0 km away from the school, **special needs students only** may obtain a Transportation Assistance Application form from the child's school office. Please fill the form out and forward it to School District No. 67, Attention: Accounts Payable, 425 Jermyn Ave., Penticton, BC, V2A 1Z4 .

All applications for transportation assistance must be received by the School Board office by June 30<sup>th</sup> of the school year in which they pertain.

## **COMMUNITIES FOR KIDS**

**Communities for Kids** is holding its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Parenting Conference on **Saturday, October 23, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm at Parkway Elementary School in Penticton** and will offer the opportunity to learn new parenting skills, better understand your child, and meet and connect with other parents and caregivers. This exciting day-long conference offers a key note topic entitled "Laughing All the Way!" (How to laugh more with your kids and why it's so good for them) with Hugh McClelland, a choice of three workshops, information booths, door prizes, refreshments and lunch. The workshop topics include: *Story Building; Tantrums, Tears and Trials (How to make them the smallest part of your day); Parenting from the Heart – A Father's Perspective; Anger, Mistaken Behaviour and Your Child's Growth and Development; Mad Scientist; Early Literacy; Laugh Alive!; Kindermusik with Ms Bee; and Brain Gym.*


Registration fee of \$20 per person or \$30 per couple includes. For more information contact Lynn Cook at (250) 496-5511 or [communitiesforkids@telus.net](mailto:communitiesforkids@telus.net) or visit the website at [www.communitiesforkids.ca](http://www.communitiesforkids.ca)



# PARKWAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## September 2010



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 <b>Labour Day</b>	7 <b>Welcome Back!</b> 12:00 dismissal	8	9	10 One-to-One Reader Training	11
12 	13 Assembly 1:00 p.m. PAC Meeting 7 - 8 p.m. All Welcome!	14 	15 11:30 a.m. School Run Regular Kindergarten Classes Start	16 	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 School Photo Day 	28	29 Movie Night 6:00 p.m. 	30 Terry Fox Run 11:20 a.m. 		

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



**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!**

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

**Parent Email Address – please supply your address only if you are not already receiving school emails:** \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>Classroom</b>	<b>House Team</b>
Student Name: _____	_____	_____
Student Name: _____	_____	_____
Student Name: _____	_____	_____

**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 #** \_\_\_\_\_

