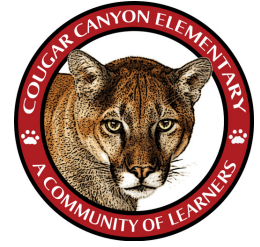


Cougar Canyon

Elementary School



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Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Newsletter # 17

What's Happening?

June 2010

- 10 Cougar Canyon Band performance, 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm. Attend either or both.
- 11 Canada Quizathon Quiz Day. Special guest speaker at 1:00 pm. Parents welcome. **Wear your Canada colors!**
- 18 Sports Day/Hot Lunch. See details on p. 2. Please note: **2:00 pm dismissal.**
- 24 Grade 7 luncheon
- 25 Intermediate students to Splashdown Park
- 28 Final Assembly: 1:00 pm:
Gr 3-7 at Seaquam
Gr K – 2 at Cougar Canyon
- 29 Students dismissed at 10:25 am.



Dear Parents and Students:

Do you know your Canada facts? We have challenged our students to learn 10 facts for each grade they are in school. Grade 3s learn the first 30 facts, Grade 5s learn the first 50 facts, and so on. The test is on Friday so time to get busy! The complete list of questions is on our website. One question from each grade level is below to get you started. Maybe you can try these out at dinner time:



Ks and 1s
Grade 2s
Grade 3s
Grade 4s
Grade 5s
Grade 6s

Grade 7s

Name one river in BC.
What highway travels across all of Canada?
Name the three Prairie Provinces.
Name the three oceans that touch Canada's shores.
What was the "Last Spike" used to build?
Name any three rights guaranteed for you by the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.
Name the five most recent prime ministers.



To celebrate the end of our Quizathon, students will be privileged to meet Mr. Walt Lawrence on Friday afternoon at 1:00 pm. Mr. Lawrence is a quadriplegic who helps others adjust to a life-changing trauma resulting in paralysis. He is an inspiring speaker. If you can't join us, be sure to ask your children about it. And don't forget to **wear your Canada colors!**

Sincerely,

D. Ducklow
Principal

T. McGrory
Vice Principal

A Community of Learners

Sports Day is Coming!

Just over one week to go until Sports Day: Friday, June 18. Here is an outline of the day:

- 9:00 am Students arrive as usual and go to their classrooms.
- 9:10 Bike parade for primary students begins. They will tour the grass field and park their bikes at the baseball diamond. Intermediate students will be on the field to cheer them on. The parade will be led by motorcycle!
- 9:35 Stations begin. Students will remain together as a class and visit the challenges that have been created for them by our grade 7 students.
- 10:25 Break time. Students will remain at their stations and enjoy a snack provided by the PAC.
- 11:45 – 12:45 Lunch time. It's hot lunch day so if you placed an order, lunch will be delivered. Parents are welcome to have lunch with their children on the playground.
- 12:45 Students return class for attendance and then to the playground for cooperative and competitive activities. The primary students will be in the primary play area, the intermediates will be on the grass field.
- 1:45 Students return to class and receive a treat from the PAC.
- 2:00 All students are dismissed at 2:00 pm.

Bike Parade

Primary students are encouraged to bring their bikes to school on Thursday, June 17, along with some materials to decorate their bikes. The bikes will be kept safely in the school overnight.

Concession Open For Business

Forget the Starbucks run and bring your travel mugs to the Sports Day Concession!! There will be lattes, coffee, tea and hot chocolate for sale as well as tasty treats and fruit to enjoy while watching your child enjoy the events of Sports Day. The concession will be open from 8:45-1:00 pm and all funds raised will be going to help Sue Ellis (A Cougar parent) go on a medical mission to Africa in September. Pizza and drinks will be available for purchase for parents during lunch time so no need to worry about packing a lunch. We look forward to seeing you there!!!

Get Ready for Grades 5, 6 & 7.

Students who are entering Grades 5, 6 & 7 in September are probably already looking forward to the traditional field trips that those grades enjoy each year.

The grade 5s go on a very popular overnight trip to Timberline, a camp with cabins in Maple Ridge.

The grade 6s go to the North Van Outdoor school (located near Squamish) and stay for two nights, while learning about the environment and wildlife in the area. The grade 7s learn to ski or snowboard by visiting Mt. Seymour or Cypress Bowl four times.

The approximate costs for these experiences are:

Timberline	\$120
NVOS	\$230
Skiing	\$249

Thanks for the Jars!

I want to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who contributed jars or to those who came to the Carnival and played the game 'Roll and Win'. Together we raised \$275! This money has been donated to 'The Weekend to End All Women's Cancers'.



In August, I will be walking 60 KM in one weekend as part of the *Weekend to End Women's Cancers*. If you would like to make further contributions to this cause and to help me raise my goal of \$2000, please visit my personal page to donate.

http://www.endcancer.ca/site/TR/Events/Vancouver2010?px=2797178&pg=personal&fr_id=1422&fl=en_US&et=MOG7fvsqh4EVQfbabZsXZQ..&s_tafId=286732

I hope to do this again next year so remember to hang on to your jars!

Many Thanks!!!
Sue Johnson, grade 3 teacher

Surprise Fire Drill

Recently a mechanical malfunction triggered an unexpected fire alarm. The students were just beginning to return from recess when the bell rang. We were very pleased with the response. The Fire Department arrived within a few short minutes and located the problem. Their response was incredible.

But the best part was the response of our students and staff. Everyone knew what to do. The students who were outside lined up in class groups in their usual spots on the grass field. The grade 4s even counted and determined if all were present. Teachers moved swiftly to be with their classes. All staff and students were quickly accounted for. There was a delay while the firemen searched for the problem and we were all glad it wasn't a rainy day. But we were made to feel very confident in the quick response of our firemen and the automatic, calm response of our students and staff. Well done, Cougars!

Voting in of the PAC Executive:

A Message from your PAC

At the next PAC meeting we will be voting in the executive PAC members for the 2010/2011 school year. If you are interested in running for a position, please contact Dionne Hunger by email at: dhunger@telus.net or telephone 604-596-2618 by Friday June 18th.

Terry Fox Run – 30th Anniversary!

Mark your calendars now for this year's annual Terry Fox Run that will take place on Sunday, September 19th at the SunGod Arena in North Delta. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and the run itself will take place at 10:00 a.m. Please consider taking part in this worthwhile community event.

Meet Remy



This is Remy, our newest member of the Cougar Canyon staff. Remy brings many benefits to our students. His home, one day each week, is with the students in Ms. Semple's class. Remy has taught them that dogs are friendly but that they have feelings, too. The students have overcome fears of animals and learn to express themselves appropriately with a dog.

Welcome, Remy, to Cougar Canyon!

Reading Rocks!

Join the Summer Reading Club at George Mackie Library (or any BC public library) and receive a colorful reading record to keep track of books read. Stickers can be collected on every library visit. There will be many special programs, contests and activities in July and August.

Registration begins June 13. *It's all free!*
Contact George Mackie Library (604.594.8155) for more information.