



**NEWSLETTER #2**

**September 20th, 2019**



**TERRY FOX RUN**

Our annual Terry Fox Run is on Thursday, September 26th. Families, staff, and students can show their

support by joining the run in the gym at 1:30pm. We need parent volunteers to help monitor the route and hand out oranges. If you can volunteer, please contact the office or your classroom teacher. We will also collect Toonies for Terry or High Fives (\$5) for Terry throughout the week. Families can also search for Woodward on the parent page at [www.terryfox.org](http://www.terryfox.org).



**AUTHOR VISIT**

We welcome author, Eric Walters, to Woodward on October 28th. Eric Walters is a Canadian author of young adult novels and picture books. He has written over 92 pieces of literature. He will be in our library from 9:15am – 11:55am. We thank Ms. Sato and our PAC for providing this amazing experience.



**PAC MEETINGS**

PAC are amazing resources for our entire school community. A strong PAC bonds our school community with our families. PAC is an excellent way for our

families to connect directly with the action at our school as well as develop relationships within the parent community. Our first PAC meeting is Monday, Sept. 30th @ 6:30 p.m. in the Library. All parents are invited to attend. Newcomers are always welcome! Child minding is available during this meeting.



**PRO-D DAY**

Just a reminder that school will be closed for our first Professional Development Day of the year on **Monday, September 23th**.



**HOMEWORK CLUB**

Homework Club returns next week and operates from 2:45 pm – 4:00 pm every Tuesday. Volunteers run the program for students in Grades 4-7, and the program includes homework time and

other activities. Space is limited, and registration is required. If you would like your child to participate in Homework Club this year, please pick up a permission form from the office and return it with your child.



**STUDENT PACKAGE OF FORMS:**

This week, we sent home a package of permission forms and information forms to be filled out and returned to your child's teacher. It is important that we have up-to-date information, including contact numbers and appropriate medical information. During the year if anything changes please let Mrs. Taggar know in the office as soon as possible.

**PLAY 'N EAT (P 'N E)**

P 'n E is returning beginning on Wednesday, September 25th. Every Wednesday and Friday students are invited to come to the gym for breakfast and activities before school, starting at 8am. P'n'E is a fun way to get in some nutrition and physical activity before the start of the school day. Thank you to the Woodward Staff for organizing and running this program.



**ALLERGY ALERT:**

All families should be aware that Woodward School has many students with severe, life threatening food allergies. Some classrooms may be designated nut free in order to protect the health of these students. Please help us limit the nut products entering our school overall, as the impact on a student can happen anywhere in the school. If at all possible, please do not send food to school containing nuts.

**STUDENT PHOTO DAY**

Friday, September 27th is Photo Day here at Woodward. Mountain West Studios will be taking individual pictures for families to purchase, if they choose.



**A FEW REMINDERS**

Students are not permitted in school without permission and direct supervision from a staff member before **8:30 a.m.** Students who ride their bikes to school should have a bike lock and helmet. The use of telephones is for emergencies only. Please clarify transportation/pick-up with your child in the mornings before coming to school.



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**“IN” DAYS AND “OUT” DAYS:**

During recess and lunchtime breaks, students are expected to be outside unless we experience significantly bad weather. Students are strongly encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather. There is a large undercover

area, but students should dress to ensure they are able to enjoy their breaks regardless of the weather. Should rain be heavy at recess or lunchtime, we will call an “in day” and plan appropriate activities for students to keep them productive and occupied inside the school.



**PARKING LOT SAFETY**

Please help keep our students safe by using the drop off zone for picking up and dropping off students only.

Please do not leave your car unattended in the drop off zone; if you need to come into the school, please park in a designated parking space. When walking to school, please use the designated paths south and adjacent to the driveway as you enter the school grounds. Please follow arrows to keep our students safe and keep our parking lot accident free.

**SCHOOL FEES**

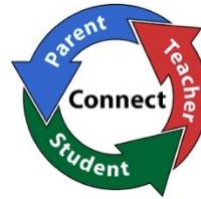
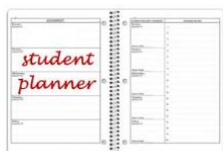
Thank you to all our families that have already paid their school fees!



**STUDENT PLANNERS**

A BIG thank you to our amazing PAC for providing our students with their 2019-2020 student planners. Planners are

an excellent way for grade one to seven students (grade 1-7 only), staff, and children to communicate school assignments and upcoming events. We encourage our students and their families to review their planner regularly.



**LEARNING CONFERENCES**

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for October 23rd and 24th. These conferences are a great opportunity to connect with the school and discuss your

child's learning. Teachers will be sending information home to schedule conference times.

**Please note that these two dates are Early Dismissal Days with 1:45 pm dismissal times to accommodate the conferences.**

**STRONGSTART**

The StrongStart program is free for parents and other



care providers and their children under Kindergarten age, and offers opportunities for children to play and learn together. Parents or caregivers stay with their children to participate in the many interesting learning and play activities. The Woodward StrongStart offers two sessions daily, a morning program from 9:00 am – 11:30am, and an afternoon program from 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm. For more information, contact Sherri Larson at 604-295-6432.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Sept. 23 Pro-D Day (School Closed)
- Sept. 24 Homework Club begins
- Sept. 24 Play and Eat begins
- Sept. 26 Terry Fox Run 1:30pm – 2:45pm
- Sept. 27 Student Photos
- Sept. 30 Orange Shirt Day
- Oct. 14 Thanksgiving Day (School Closed)
- Oct. 23/24 Parent/Teacher Conferences (1:45 p.m. early dismissal)
- Oct. 25 Pro-D Day (School Closed)