



FOOTHILLS ELEMENTARY NEWS

At Foothills We "SOAR"

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

NEWSLETTER #1
WE ARE NUT FREE AND SCENT AWARE!



Newsletters are sent via email and posted on our school website (<http://www.sd57.bc.ca/school/foot>). Please contact the office to have your email added to our contact list!

Friday, Sept. 25th
Non-Instructional Day
No school for students

Tuesday, Sept. 29th
Orange Shirt Day
"Every Child Matters"

Wednesday, Sept. 30th
Individual Picture Day

Monday, Oct. 12th
Thanksgiving Day Stat
School Closed

Oct. 20, 21, 22
Early dismissal @ 1:37pm
Parent/Teacher Interviews

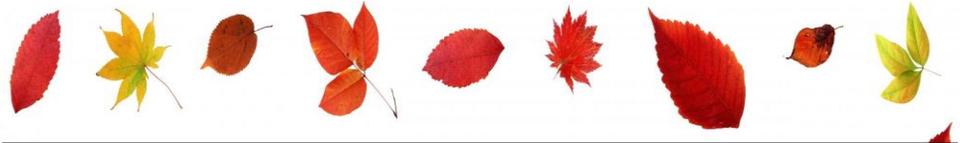
Friday, Oct. 23rd
Non-Instructional Day
No school for students

Friday, Oct. 30th
Picture re-takes

Wednesday, Nov. 11th
Remembrance Day Stat
School Closed

Friday, Nov. 20th
Non-Instructional Day
No school for students

Wednesday, Nov. 25th
Primary CSL Writing Day
(No school K-3 students)



Welcome Back! Foothills' Staff 2020-2021

Ms. Helfrich (K/1)	Ms. Swanson	Grade(1/2)
Mrs. Lambert Grade 1/2	Ms. Gilday	Grade 2/3
Ms. McGuffie Grade 3/4	Mrs. Raycraft	Grade 4/5
Mr. Lang Grade 4/5	Ms. Bruce	Grade 5/6
Mrs. Hibberd Grade 6/7 & Mr. Kurkiniemi	Miss. Nickason	Grade 6/7
Ms. Lodge Librarian/ELL	Mr. Kurkiniemi	Music
Mrs. Herd Resource	Mrs. Erickson	LA
Mrs. Sorrell Counselling		

Support Staff/Administration

Principal: Mrs. Jill Jackson
 Secretaries: Mrs. Stene and Ms. Pastor
 Indigenous Education Worker: Mrs. Evenden
 EA/Supervision: Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Bass, Ms. Zanolini,
 Ms. Dagenais
 Youth Care Worker: Mrs. Conway
 Custodians: Mrs. Christy (Daytime), Evening Custodian (TBA)



2020/21 Bell Schedule



8:23 am – Outside supervision begins
8:33 am – Warning Bell
8:38 am – Morning Session Begins
12:05 pm – Lunch
12:50 pm – Afternoon Session Begins
2:20 pm – School Ends
2:33 pm – Outside Supervision Ends



Office Hours:

8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Monday-Friday

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Website:

<http://www.sd57.bc.ca/school/foot>

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Need to Knows:

Animals on School Property

Dear Parents and Guardians,

With the start of another school year, it is important for us to review our guidelines and procedures that support safe learning environments.

Please remember that under the School District 57's Administrative Procedures and Guidelines and Bylaw 2, animals in our school or on our property are not permitted without the pre-approved permission of the school Principal or designate and only for educational purposes. This approval does not supersede the regulations set under the city Bylaws. We appreciate your cooperation as we work together to support safe spaces at school.

School Photos!

Individual School photos will be taken on **Wednesday, September 30th**. Let's see all of those wonderful Foothills' smiles! Class photos will be taken in the Spring



Medical Alerts

Please inform the school of any emergent medical issues regarding your child **ASAP**.

Safe Start

If your child is going to be **late or absent**, please call the school and leave a message, complete with your child's full name, grade, and teacher. Office staff make calls home for those students not in attendance to ensure their safety and whereabouts.

Going Home for Lunch

We have the following procedures in place for students going home for lunch.

- Students check out at the office **BEFORE** leaving for lunch
- Students check back in at the office when they **RETURN** from lunch
- A note from a parent/guardian is to be **on file** at the office for regular lunches at home
- If it is an irregular occurrence a note is needed for each individual time your child may be going home for lunch

Important

Verification forms were sent home this week. We send these forms home at the beginning of each school year. This keeps us up-to-date on your child's emergency contact information. It is very important that these forms are filled out, signed, and sent back ASAP to your child's teacher. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Parking Areas and Student Drop-Off

Parking at Foothills is restricted to **staff only**. Otherwise, parking is available on the street in designated areas or at the tennis courts.

The **Drop-off Loop** is for student drop off **only**. There is **no parking** in this area on either side. For convenience, it is two lanes. The lane closest to the sidewalk is for drop offs and the outside lane is for cars leaving after dropping off.

Please ensure your child is using the **designated crosswalks and sidewalks** when being dropped off and please drive with care and be aware of our students at all times of day.

Foothills` Falcons SOAR

S – safety (self-control)
O – ownership
A – achievement
R – respect

The falcon has been the symbol at Foothills for many years. This year we will continue to focus on helping students ``SOAR`` like a falcon in their learning

School District 57 Policies:

Please take some time to review the following important policies. The links are provided to review the entire policies. These links can also be found on the School District 57 website.

Policy 5131: District Code of Student Conduct

<http://www.sd57.bc.ca/Board/Policies/Policylisting/Documents/5131%20District%20Code%20of%20Student%20Conduct.pdf>

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School District No. 57 (Prince George) believes that schools and school-related activities must provide a safe, caring and orderly environment for learning and working.

The District Code of Student Conduct formalizes the expectations for student behaviour that provide the best possible learning environment. Individual school codes of conduct are developed within this framework in a collaborative process that includes administration, staff, students and parent/guardian(s).

Students have the responsibility for conducting themselves in accordance with the codes of conduct established by the school district and by their schools.

Policy 6179: Acceptable Use of Networks

www.sd57.bc.ca/Board/Policies/Policylisting/Documents/6179.pdf

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Access to electronic resources, including computer equipment, communications equipment, software, e-mail and the Internet provided by the district is a privilege, not a right. Students, employees, volunteers and others must use these resources appropriately and responsibly, and only for purposes that support the goals, objectives and activities prescribed by the school district.

Policy 3541.35: Winter Weather

<http://www.sd57.bc.ca/Board/Policies/Documents/3541.35%20Winter%20Weather.pdf>

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School operational procedures and expectations regarding staff and student attendance during severe winter weather must be clarified.

Policy 3542.3: Healthy Food Choices in Schools

www.sd57.bc.ca/Board/Policies/Documents/3542.3%20Healthy%20Food%20Choices%20in%20Schools.pdf

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This policy reflects the Board's belief in the role that schools have to play in ensuring that students are offered food choices that are healthy and nutritious. This belief has evolved in light of research concerning the long-term impact of diet on children's health and well-being.

Good nutrition can promote brain development, increase immune function, raise self-esteem, reduce anxiety, depression and hyperactivity, increase attendance, increase cognitive development and reduce the risk of health problems such as those associated with obesity.

The policy outlines steps that must be taken in order to provide such healthy choices.

Policy 5101: Financial Hardship

<http://www.sd57.bc.ca/Board/Policies/Documents/5101%20Financial%20Hardship.pdf>

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Section 82 (3) of the *School Act* authorizes a board of education to levy fees for goods and services provided by the board. This authorization is subject to Section 82 (4) of the Act, which requires a board to have "established policies and procedures to facilitate participation by students of school age ordinarily resident in British Columbia who would otherwise be excluded from the course, class or program because of financial hardship."