

# Van Bien Elementary

## Principal's Message:

As the end of the year approaches we will be saying good-bye to some of our staff members. Good bye to: Mrs. Brownridge, Mrs. Elton, Mr. Wintemute, Mr. Silva, Mrs. Wolfenden, Mrs. Alton, Mrs. George, and Mrs. Hicks. We wish them all the best.. Also, while planning for next year, please let the office know if you will be moving or changing schools – thanks.

We have lots of items in the Lost and Found. Please come and check the things that are on display in the halls beginning Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> to claim any missing items that belong to your children.

## ROARS PROGRAM

The students recently obtained our goal of 1500 Gotcha tickets so we had a picnic lunch out in the field. Freezies were provided for everyone as a special treat. We are well on our way to reaching another 1500 Gotcha tickets so the school will be receiving another reward. We are pleased with the way the students are showing their ROARS responsibility.

SCENT FREE SCHOOL - Please remember to not wear perfume or aftershave in the school

## WEDNESDAY SHORTENED DAYS

We will be continuing this school model for the 2018/19 school year. Students go to school and extra minutes each day to allow the 1:30 dismissal on Wed. for professional development.

For regular updates, check the Van Bien website or “Like” the VBE Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/595516550530559>

Supervision Hours: Before School: 8:15-8:30am; After School: 15 min after



## **Bell Schedule Reminder**

8:30 Warning Bell  
8:35 Classes Begin  
10:15 – 10:30 Recess  
12:10 – 12:50 Lunch  
2:38 - Dismissal

\* Every Wednesday early dismissal 1:30 (Supervision 1:30-1:45)



## **Calendar of Events**

June 19 – Little Mudder (pm)

June 20 Sports Day – Beach theme

June 21 Aboriginal Day at the Park

June 27 Assembly – 10:30,  
Grade 7 celebration  
after in the TDC

June 28 – Year end celebration  
K and K/1 classes

June 28 Last Day &  
Summative Reports

Sept 3 NID

Sept. 4 First day Back after  
summer

## **ABSENCES OR LATES**

Just a reminder to parents that we appreciate you calling the school in the morning if your child will be absent or late. We ask that you continue to do this until the end of June.

### **Sports Day:**

This year's Sports Day has a beach theme. Dress in your fun, summer clothes. It is expected to be a very hot day so please send **a hat, water bottle and sunscreen** to keep your child comfortable and safe. The PAC is selling hot dogs which must be purchased ahead of time so they know how many to cook. Thanks to Integris for donating the big barbeque for this event.

### **Bike Safety**

Once again we would like to remind students of some bike safety rules. One important item that was left out was to **ALWAYS WEAR A HELMET**. It is very important to protect your head if you should fall off of your bike.

#### **Road Rules**

If you're allowed to ride on the street, follow these road rules:

- Always ride with your hands on the handlebars.
- Always stop and check for traffic in both directions when leaving your driveway, an alley, or a curb.
- Cross at intersections. When you pull out between parked cars, drivers can't see you coming.
- Walk your bike across busy intersections using the crosswalk and following traffic signals.
- Ride on the right-hand side of the street, so you travel in the same direction as cars do. **Never** ride against traffic.
- Use bike lanes or designated bike routes wherever you can.
- Don't ride too close to parked cars. Doors can open suddenly.
- Stop at all stop signs and obey traffic (red) lights just as cars do.
- Ride single-file on the street with friends.
- When passing other bikers or people on the street, always pass to their left side, and call out "On your left!" so they know that you are coming.