



Hixon Elementary School

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Principal: Mrs. Brenda Anderson

October 26, 2020

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<http://hixo.sd57.bc.ca>

From the Principal's Desk

September has flown by and students have settled into the routines of school. Thank you to parents for ensuring that students get enough sleep, exercise and healthy lunches every day.

We were busy the first few weeks of school working on BRAVE – bold, resilient, accountable, versatile and empathetic. Please continue to talk with your child about the expectations that go along with this focus.

We enjoyed the Terry Fox run, and Orange shirt day in September. We look forward to Leadership starting up, weekly spirit days, Thanksgiving and an election in our gym in October.

Thank you to Ms. Lynds for organizing our fruit and veggie program.

Now that September has come and gone we are now settled and can move forward with building strong connections with our students and support them in their academic journey.

And finally, just a friendly reminder... please continue to do daily health checks with your child before you send them to school. As our outside doors are closed to keep our staff and student safe, if you need to get in touch with classroom teachers or the office please do not hesitate to phone or email the school.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Anderson, Principal

Ms. Lynds, Vice-Principal



Calendar of Upcoming Events

October

30 Costume parade & pumpkin painting

November

11 Remembrance Day – no school

20 NID – no school for students

December

4 Primary report card writing – No school for Ms. Lynds class

Dec 21-Jan 1 Winter Holidays

2020/21 Bell Schedule

8:15	Supervision begins
8:25	Warning bell
8:30	Morning classes begin
11:45-12:30	Lunch
12:30	Afternoon classes begin
2:12	Dismissal

Indoor Shoes

Please check with your child regarding indoor footwear. In the event of a fire drill, students need to be prepared to go outside (i.e., have indoor shoes on).

Dogs

Just a reminder that dogs are not allowed on the school grounds.

Revision of 2020-2021 School Calendar

Please see the revised calendar attached to the back of this newsletter. The revisions include the NID in November moving to November 20 and the NID in January moving to February 5.

Halloween at Hixon in 2020

This year we will be doing a costume parade and painting pumpkins on Friday, October 30th. Students are welcome to wear their costumes to school that day if they wish.



Daily Health Check

An updated daily health check was sent home with all students the last week of September. This form is also available on the Hixon Elementary website, www.hixo.sd57.bc.ca. Please continue to do the daily health check with your children before sending them on the bus or off to school. Thank you!

Lates/Absences

Please call the school at 250-998-4377 if your child will be absent or late for any reason. We will attempt to contact families whenever there are unknown absences. Please leave a message on the answering machine if no one answers when you call.

Courtesy Bus Service for 2020-2021

School bussing is designed to serve children residing along specific routes. Students may register on ONE bus route only, their RESIDENT route. Parents wishing their children to use the service as a COURTESY to or from a CHILD CARE stop or a 2ND ALTERNATE FAMILY address must complete a "COURTESY" transportation request form and return it to their school. Their school will then forward all "COURTESY" requests to transportation for approval.



Library News

HELLO OCTOBER!

Welcome Back! September has come and gone already and we are into our second month of school!

Here are our updates in the Library:

- ❖ We have new protocols in place to continue to Learning Commons a safe space.
- ❖ Students have been enjoying their Learning Commons time. 😊
 - Primary students have Library on Tuesdays and Intermediate students have Library on Wednesdays.
- ❖ We have new books! New books will be displayed on a regular basis.
- ❖ Our **Sharing the Love of Reading** program has been suspended indefinitely at this time. We are hoping to get it back up and running once it is safe to do so. Thank you all for support with this program from last year!
- ❖ **Makerspace** is currently suspended, but we are working on finalizing a plan to hopefully get it up and running soon!
- ❖ We have been continuing to reorganize our library to make it more welcoming and safer! We will continue to update the library throughout the year as well.



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Be sure to also check out our virtual Learning Commons!! It can be found at: <https://hixonlc.weebly.com/>

Happy Reading!
Mrs. Needoba



2020 - 2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR

AUGUST

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August 3: BC Day

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September 7: Labour Day
September 10: First day of school
September 23: First full day of Kindergarten
September 25: Non Instructional Day

OCTOBER

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October 12: Thanksgiving
October 23: Non Instructional Day

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November 11: Remembrance Day
November 20: Non Instructional Day

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Dec. 21 - Jan. 1: Winter Break
December 25: Christmas Day
December 28: Boxing day stat

JANUARY

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January 1: New Years Day
January 4: Back to school

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February 5: Non Instructional Day
February 15: Family Day

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March 22- April 1: Spring Break

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April 2: Good Friday
April 5: Easter Monday
April 23: Non Instructional Day

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May 24: Victoria Day

JUNE

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June 4: Non Instructional Day
June 25: Last day of school
June 28: Administrative day

JULY

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July 1: Canada Day

LEGEND:  School/Statutory Holiday
 Non Instructional Day