

Whiskers Weekly: Friday, September 9, 2016

Pot of Gold News: Welcome Back BBQ

Please join us at the school on Thursday, September 15th from 4:30 to 6:30pm for our annual Welcome Back BBQ sponsored by our hard-working School Council. This is a great opportunity to meet our staff and chat with your child's teacher in a casual, outdoor setting. For those of you who are new to our learning community, it is also a great time to connect with other parents.

Staffing Information

In the information sent out last week about staff, we inadvertently missed two people:

Educational Assistant – Mrs. Brenda Watts

Technology Support – Ms. Mary Lou Keiller

Our apologies for omitting them.

We would like to introduce you to our newest teacher, Ms. Amanda Monsma, who will be with us part-time. We would also like to welcome student teacher Mr. Matthew Ellis in Mrs. Carrier's class.

Relaxed Entry

We have started relaxed entry at Rainbow Creek. What this means is that rather than the children lining up outside and waiting for the bell, supervisors open the doors at 8:12 a.m. and students are invited to enter the building as they arrive at the school. As they enter, students who are hungry or have missed their breakfast have the opportunity to grab something to eat and head to class. A warning bell rings at 8:17 and the doors stay open until 8:22 when the second bell rings. Any children arriving after 8:22 need to report to the office to pick up a late slip.

Please note that supervision begins when the doors open so early drop off is discouraged.

Criminal Record Checks

All classroom visitors and volunteers are required to have a current criminal record check on file with the office. During the busier months of September and October, it can take longer for police services to perform a record check. Please ensure you have allowed sufficient time to obtain a police record check before you plan on volunteering in the school; Chestermere RCMP takes up to one week and Calgary Police Services takes up to six weeks. Forms are available at our office for Chestermere residents to take to the RCMP so that you do not incur a cost for the criminal record check. If you already have a criminal police record check on file, you must sign an Annual Statutory Declaration at the office before volunteering.

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Website

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Regards,

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