# THE STORM



# PRINCE RUPERT MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

September 2023 Ha'lilax simaay Our Vision: Achieving Success Together Sagayt Galksa Ax'axigit



## At PRMS we believe

- ·Each of us is a unique and creative individual of value to our school community

  We have the right to learn and have fun
- ·We have the responsibility to treat ourselves and others with respect
- ·We take pride in our work, our accomplishments, our school building and our learning tools

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to another year at Prince Rupert Middle School (PRMS). Welcome to those students, families, and school staff who are new to PRMS as well as those who are returning back with us for another great year. We hope everyone had a wonderful summer.

#### **School Bells**

8:45	WARNING BELL
8:50	Advisory
9:28	Period 1
10:24	Nut Break
10:39	Period 2
11:35	Period 3
12:31	Lunch
1:11	Period 4
2:07	Period 5
3:03	School Ends

#### Wednesdays

8:45 **Warning Bell**8:50 Period 1
9:42 Period 2
10:34 Nut Break
10:49 Period 3
11:41 Period 4
12:33 Lunch
1:13 Period 5
2:05 School Ends

Every Wednesday students are dismissed at 2:05pm

# **Supervision**

The school is opened at 8:15am. Doors are kept locked until then.

#### **Breakfast Program**

The school Breakfast program is available to students beginning at 8:15am each school day.

#### **Dropping off/Picking up students**

When dropping off your child in the morning, please do not stop on the crosswalk. This can be very dangerous as drivers have a difficult time seeing the pedestrians. Please do not drive into the school entrance, students are to be picked up and dropped off on the street, in the side parking lot, by the golf course or the Civic Centre. Areas painted yellow in the parking lot are no parking zones.

#### Parent/Guardian Visitors

If you need to see your child during the school day, you must stay at the office and the office staff will be happy to assist you. For the safety of our students and staff, please do not wander the halls of the school or enter your child's classroom.

#### **Cellphones/Electronic Devices**

While teachers may permit the occasional use of cell phones or other electronic devices (headphones, airpods, ipads, etc) in the classroom for educational purposes, outside of these times students are required to keep their devices in their locker from 8:45 to 3:03 (2:05pm on Wednesday), including break times. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to enable, if available, the find my device feature on their student's phone. School staff are not responsible for these devices and are unable to search for them should they go missing. If you need to contact your child during the school day, please call the office and leave them a message.

#### **Lunch Program**

Our school district will be offering a lunch program to students again this year. Please fill out the form if you would like your child to be on the program each month. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 250-624-6757.

#### **Band Rental Night**

Sight and Sound will be at PRMS on September from 6:30pm-8:30pm. They will be set-up in the gym. Instruments can be rented, but also supplies can be bought such as books, reeds, valve oil, etc.

#### **Hockey Academy:**

Hockey Academy starts on September 11th.

#### **School Spirit Days**

Every Wednesday/Friday students and staff are encouraged to wear their school spirit clothing. Clothing order forms will be going home in October for an opportunity to order STORM clothing.

#### **Implementation Day:**

On Friday, September 22nd the school will be closed for students.

#### **Terry Fox Run**

On September 27, students will be participating in the Terry Fox Run. We will be collecting donations for cancer. Please send your child with \$2 on this day.

#### **Orange Shirt Day**

On September 29, students and staff are encouraged to wear orange shirts. This is to honour and uphold Survivors and intergenerational Survivors of the residential school system, and to commemorate those who didn't return home. PRMS as a limited number of Orange Shirts available for purchase in the office for \$10 a shirt. On October 2, we have no school for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

#### **Supplies**

Students are required to have their own school supplies. If you need a copy of the supply list, please visit <a href="http://prms.rupertschools.ca/">http://prms.rupertschools.ca/</a> for a copy or pick up a copy at the office.

#### **Indoor Shoes for the gym**

Students are required to wear non-marking indoor shoes while in the gym. Please remember to send a pair of shoes with your child(ren).

#### **Newsletters**

PRMS newsletters go out each month. They are sent to families by email. You can pick up a printed copy at the school or view it on our website at <a href="http://prms.rupertschools.ca/">http://prms.rupertschools.ca/</a> under newsletters.

#### Allergy Aware School

PRMS School is an **Allergy Aware School**. Please help us keep our students safe by having your child follow their teacher's instructions. Thank you for your continued support with this matter.

#### **Students leaving at Lunch:**

PRMS has a closed school policy. Students can not leave at the lunch unless they have a signed permission form. McDonalds is off limits unless students are taken there and returned by an adult.

# **School Code of Conduct:**

At PRMS we are expected to follow the school code of conduct that ensures an environment of respect, safety and fairness for all. If you need more information about the code please see <a href="http://prms.rupertschools.ca/">http://prms.rupertschools.ca/</a> for a copy of our code of conduct.

### **Upcoming Events**

- September 13- Collaboration- Students dismissed at 2:05pm
- September 18: Band Rental Night 6:30pm-8:30pm
- September 20: Collaboration- Students dismissed at 2:05pm
- September 22: Implementation day School closed to students
- September 27: Terry Fox Run- 5<sup>th</sup> block
- September 27- Collaboration- Students dismissed at 2:05pm
- September 29: Orange Shirt Day Truth and Reconciliation Walk
- October 2: National Truth and Reconciliation Day- School closed
- October 9: Thanksgiving No school
- October 20: Professional Development Day School is closed for students
- October 25/26: Parent teacher student interviews- students dismissed at 2:05pm

Please check the school website regularly for any updates or information at <a href="http://prms.rupertschools.ca/">http://prms.rupertschools.ca/</a>

Thank you,

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