



# PRINCE RUPERT MIDDLE SCHOOL

# **NEWSLETTER**

November 2023 <mark>Ha'lilax sigaboox</mark> Our Vision: Achieving Success Together Sagayt Galksa Ax'axłgit



# 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,

November is here and the weather is getting colder. Please make sure you child is dressed for the weather and is wearing bright colours so that traffic can see them. We had a busy October with our Parent/Teacher interviews, grade 6 Wellness Day, Subway Day, Grade 6 vaccines, photo days, and grade group assemblies. Grade 8 Halloween dance was a great time for all, and Halloween was an exciting day with many activities done for each grade group.

# Parent Advisory Meeting

Our next PAC meeting will be on Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00pm at PRMS. Without the PAC we will not be able to run our clubs and extra curricular events. Fees will then cost more for parents/guardians if their children participate in clubs and/or extra curricular activities. Please join our meetings to help support our students.

# **Pictures**

Please don't forget to return envelopes to order picture packages. Retakes will happen on Thursday November 23 in the morning.

# **Remembrance Day**

On Friday November 10<sup>th</sup> School will be closed.

# **Professional Development Day:**

On Friday, November 24th the school will be closed for students.

# Subway Day

Out next Subway Day will be on Wednesday November 22. Forms sent out on the Wednesday November 8<sup>th</sup> and will be due to the office by Thursday November 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### <u>Supervision</u>

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.

#### Sick/Absent

If a student, staff, or adult is sick, they must not enter the school. Please keep you child home if they are not feeling well. Please also call the school 250-624-6757 to report a student absent. Also, if you are requiring homework, please give the teacher advance notice.

#### **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.

#### **Cellphones**

Just a reminder that students are not supposed to have cellphones at school. If they bring them to school, they are required to be kept in their locker. Please do not text or call your child during the day. If you need to get a hold of them, please contact the school.

#### 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.

#### School Spirit Days

Every Wednesday/Friday students and staff are encouraged to wear their school spirit clothing. Clothing will be available to purchase soon. Please watch for an order form that will be emailed out later this week. The form will also be posted on our website.

#### **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).

### Primary Care Nurse Visits for the PRMS Wellness Clinic

The Primary Care Nurses are coming to PRMS. They will come one Monday per month starting November 6th. The clinic times will be 9:30am-12pm.

Grade 8 students can sign up for an appointment in the counselling office.

Services are confidential and will include general health education, sexual health

education/services, harm reduction services, referrals, and counselling.

#### <u>Newsletters</u>

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 <u>http://prms.rupertschools.ca/</u> under newsletters.

# **Upcoming Events**

- November 10 School closed for Remembrance Day
- November 11 Remembrance Day
- November 24 Professional Development Day

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, Kerri Levelton Lori Leighton Principal Vice-Principal

PRMS would like to acknowledge the traditional territory of the Ts'msyen and of all the Sm'algyax speaking people who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.

The land is very important to Ts'msyen peoples and is ingrained in language and culture. It is also a connection between ancestors, the present and the future.

As guests of the territory, PRMS acknowledges the responsibility to learn more about Ts'msyen culture and relationships to the land and will commit to pursuing ongoing learning.