

KANDAL'S NEWSLETTER FOR NOVEMBER 2023

KANDAL'S PARENT ADVISORY EXECUTIVE for 2023-2024

President: Mrs. Raman Bhullar

Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Ramandeep Sidhu

Please note that Dave Kandal is a "Peanut Aware School".

We ask you to enjoy your peanut products at home to avoid complications for students with peanut allergies.

School Closures: School District: Abbotsford School District OR 604-859-4891 OR www.abbynews.com

KANDAL'S SCHOOL CALENDAR for NOVEMBER

Please check school website for any last-minute changes.

November groundskeeper - Division 2

- Nov. 1 - Photo re-takes
- Nov. 1 - Division 8 parent session
- Nov. 1 - PAC pizza lunch for those that paid
- Nov. 1 - Volleyball practice 2:30-3:10
- Nov. 2 - Volleyball practice 2:30-3:10
- Nov. 7 - Division 7 parent session
- Nov. 8 - Volleyball practice 2:30-3:10
- Nov. 9 - Remembrance Day Recognition
- Nov. 9 - Volley practice 2:30-3:10
- Nov. 10 - Non-Instructional Day - no school for students
- Nov. 13 - No school - Statutory Holiday
- Nov. 14 - Division 7 parent session
- Nov. 14 - PAC meeting 8:30am
- Nov. 15 - PAC pizza lunch for those that paid
- Nov. 15 - Volleyball game 3:00-4:00 location to be announced
- Nov. 16 - Volleyball practice 2:30-3:10
- Nov. 17 - PAC meeting 8:30am
- Nov. 21 - Division 7 parent session
- Nov. 22 - Volleyball game 3:00-4:00 location to be announced
- Nov. 23 - Volley practice 2:30-3:10
- Nov. 25 - Food Bank drive starts
- Nov. 28 - Division 7 parent session
- Nov. 29 - PAC pizza lunch for those that paid
- Nov. 29 - Volleyball game 3:00-4:00 location to be announced
- Nov. 30 - Volleyball practice 2:30-3:10
- Dec. 6 - Volleyball mini tournament 3:00-5:00pm





GROUNDSKEEPERS

We take pride in our school and our school grounds. To keep our play areas tidy and safe, each month one division will be responsible to maintaining our school grounds. This month will be Division 2. Thank you for all your hard work!

VOLLEYBALL AT DAVE KANDAL

Our students in Grades 4 and 5 will be playing volleyball in November! Students will be practicing at lunch and playing in games after school. More information was sent home. Thank you, Mrs. Thiessen, Mrs. Poirier and Ms. Lamb for organizing and coaching these events.



PHOTO DAY

Our school photo re-take day is fast approaching! Please remember to mark Wednesday, November 1st, on your calendar, as Edge Imaging will be in the school that day. A permission slip was sent home with your child. If you would like your child to have a retake photo done, please remember to complete the permission

slip and return it to the classroom teacher. Edge Imaging provides a variety of photo options to capture your child's true personality, preserving all their school day memories. For more information on photo day, please visit www.edgeimaging.ca for answers to frequently asked questions.

Be sure to bring your smiles and remember to dress in our school uniform!

REMEMBRANCE DAY

We will be recognizing the importance of Remembrance Day on November 9th. You are reminded to take a moment of silence on November 11th to honour those who have served and continue to serve Canada during times of war, conflict, and peace. The poppy is the symbol of Remembrance Day and can be purchased from the Royal Canadian Legion to help veterans. If you would like to make a small donation, please send it to school with your child.



PARENTS AS LITERACY PARTNERS: "Together, we make literacy happen!"

Parent support with **Home Reading Programs** is invaluable in building students' reading skills. Primary students should read or be read to for a minimum of 10-15 minutes a night. Intermediates should spend a minimum of 20-30 minutes a night reading and then sharing what they read with parents when finished.

ROLLERBLADING

Our students had so much fun skating around the gym this week! Thank you to our PAC for sponsoring this fun physical activity and keeping costs low for parents. The older students were excellent helpers.

PARENT



FIRST TRIP TO THE LIBRARY

Kindergarten students in Division 9 had their first visit to the library.



PARTICIPATION IN DIVISIONS 7,8 and 9

Teachers welcomed parents and guardians into the classroom to participate in activities with their child. Student learning should continue at home and your enthusiasm to learn along with your child is appreciated. The time spent will create a lasting memory for your family.



PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) NEWS

Our next PAC meeting will be Friday, November 17th at 8:30am. Please join us!

Having a strong PAC enables us to access services and funding from the school district and the provincial government as well as providing a vibrant school environment for our students!

STUDENT FEES and PERMISSIONS

Student fees can be paid online at [SchoolCash online](#). When paying online this also provides permission for your child to participate in the field trip or event. It is very important that this gets done as soon as possible. Without permission your child will not be able to participate.

HEALTH ASSESSMENT

A reminder that the health check needs to be done daily, **after** your child wakes up in the morning, before coming to school. To keep everyone healthy, if your child is not feeling well, please keep them at home.

OUTSIDE PLAYTIME

Our students will be going outside regularly. That means the fields may be used at recess and lunch regardless of weather. Students will need to have proper raingear including rain jackets and rain boots. A change of clothes should also be kept at school, for all students, in case of slips and falls in wet weather.



SCHOOL LUNCHES

Students stop for their lunch break at 11:57am and enjoy some time with their classmates over lunch. **Please be sure to send your child's lunch with him or her when they leave for school in the morning. Lunches are not to be delivered to the school.**

STUDENT FOOD ALLERGIES

Please be aware that **Division 4 (Mrs. Birak) and Division 6 (Mr. Poirier) are NUT FREE ZONES.** Students in these classes should not be bringing any food that contains nuts into the classroom.

We ask you to enjoy your nut products at home to avoid complications for students with nut allergies.

ALLERGY ALERT!
NO PEANUTS OR TREE NUTS



DAILY ATTENDANCE

If your child is going to be away from school, please report your child's absence by doing **one** of the following:

1. Call 1-844-487-3701
2. Go online to "go.schoolmessenger.com"
3. Download the SchoolMessenger app from the App store (Iphone) or Google Play (android phone)



SCHOOL PARKING LOT

We appreciate your assistance in ensuring our students arrive and depart from school safely. Parents needing to stop and come to the school are asked to park in the school parking lot or on Crestview Avenue and walk with their children down the sidewalk to the school. Please note the following details about traffic:

- **Drop-Off/Pick-Up Lane:**
- There is no parking in this lane immediately beside the school sidewalk. Students are either readily dropped off or picked up here. The driver must be in the car at all times when cars are in this lane.
- Please drive up as far as possible so more cars can unload along the curb.
- **Drive-Through Lane:**
- No parking is allowed in this lane.



KANDAL'S STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Throughout the first few weeks of school classes will review our expectations for safe and friendly student behavior. Students will have a copy of our "Student Code of Conduct" either as an insert in their Planners or as an individual printed copy to take home. This contains the **rules of safe and successful behavior** in and around the school along with redirection possibilities for misbehavior if needed.

We summarize our intentions for correct behavior in the "Sonics Code of Success":

S: SUCCESS	"We strive for Success"
O: ORGANIZED	"We are Organized"
N: NICE	"We are Nice"
I: INTEGRITY	"We have Integrity"
C: CREATIVE	"We are Creative"
S: SERVICE	"We provide Service"

SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

The staff at Dave Kandal Elementary is committed to providing the highest standards of instruction and to promoting student achievement in a safe and cooperative atmosphere. We believe that students are to feel safe, secure, and welcomed in an educational environment that stresses:

Courtesy, Acceptance, Responsibility and Respect.

