

NEWSLETTER

C.R. GUMMOW

2022/23: Edition #2

It's Friday of our first week and we made it!

Things have been relatively smooth through our first week and we are enjoying all being back together!. It feels like the first regular fall in a long time and everything is happening! Read this newsletter to find out about our fall events - from Open House to Terry Fox Run and we have fall teams starting as well. We love the amazing things our staff do every single day!

♥ Ms. Osborne & Ms. Murphy



Open House - September 22nd, 5:30-6:30

Please join us for Open House this month! It's a chance for a short visit to meet the teacher and see the classroom space! We will have our staff on hand to answer any questions and we encourage you to stop by the main hall to meet the principal team, and stop in the learning commons to see all of the cool things we are planning for that space this year! Our first School Council Meeting will be at 6:30 on this night.

Terry Fox Run - September 23rd

Stay tuned for more information about our Terry Fox Run. We will be running and walking as a school in our yard on the afternoon of September 23rd. Opportunities to purchase t-shirts and make donations to this cause will be coming to families soon. Stay tuned for more information on how we will be running it!



Orange Shirt Day - September 30th

Since 2013, September 30 has been known as Orange Shirt Day, a day to recognize the tragic history and ongoing impacts of residential schools. On September 30th, we invite all members of our community - staff, students and parents - to wear orange. We wear orange to show that all children matter. At Gummow, we believe that all children have rights and wearing orange shows our commitment to honour all children now and in the future

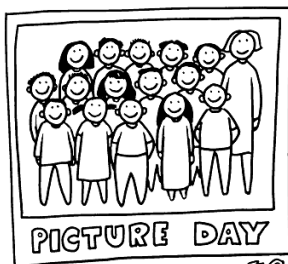


Photo Day - September 15th

Photos are scheduled early this year. Remember, we always start our pictures with our youngest students first! There will be individual student photos only.

YMCA Childcare

For the next little while, our YMCA childcare will continue to operate out of the gym and stage. This worked well for us over the last few years as part of our COVID protocols and we will be continuing this same practice when possible. If

you have any questions about the daycare, please call them directly. Even though we share our space, they are run completely separately from the school.



We have a fabulous staff! Who can your family recognize?

Congratulations!

A huge congratulations to our own Mr D on his wedding this summer! At Gummow we always love to celebrate the happy events in the lives of our amazing staff.

Upcoming Events:

Here are some events that are coming soon. Mark your calendars

- Photo Day - September 15
- Hot Lunch Starts - September 20
- Open House - September 22, 5:30-6:30
- School Council Meeting - September 22, 6:30
- Terry Fox Run - September 23
- Orange Shirt Day - September 30th
- Jimmy Chapman Breakdancing! - Dates & Info to come



UPCOMING EVENTS

Student Absence Reporting

In order to report your child's absence you will be using School Messenger. It allows you to report your child's absence quickly and conveniently, in any one of the following three ways:

- By calling 1-844-434-8119 toll-free;
- By logging into the Parent Portal website at studentabsence.kprdsb.ca to set up the ability to report absences online;
- or by downloading the SchoolMessenger mobile app onto your iOS or Android device, to report absences.

You will be able to use whichever of these methods you prefer to report your child's absence, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You will also be able to report future absences at any time.

As an added feature, we are using an automated telephone system to contact parents who have not reported their child absent. School Messenger will continue attempting to reach multiple contact numbers, for a predetermined amount of time. If the automated system has not been able to reach someone in that allotted time frame, our office staff will follow up. By using the toll-free number, website or app to report your child absent before our morning bell time, you will NOT receive a call.

School Council - September 22, 6:30

Our first School Council Meeting will be on September 22nd at 6:30 in the library. School Council is an excellent opportunity to become involved in the school and learn more about current directions in education. It also allows you to directly contribute to the well-being of your school and to support the education of all the students. School Council is an essential partner in school improvement. CR Gummow has had a proud tradition of strong, supportive school councils and we wish to continue that tradition. We are looking for new members to take a variety of roles on our School Council, so please consider nominating yourself!



Any parent or guardian who wishes to serve on Council needs to be nominated by themselves or others in writing, have a child registered at our school and declare if he or she is employed by our school board. Watch for nomination forms coming home next week for people who are unable to attend our first meeting.

Water Bottles

Please send refillable water bottles with your child each day. Our water fountains are still closed, but we have 3 touchless water bottle fillers.

Lost & Found

Our lost and found is already starting to fill up. Please remember to label your child's belongings, and remind them to take a peek in the lost and found if they haven't come home with something. With restrictions having changed, parents are welcome to come look in the lost and found this year.

Hot Lunch

Our hot lunch program begins the week of September 19. Please register at www.healthyhunger.ca to participate.

Two important notes:

- We are unable to save or refund hot lunches for absent children to have the following day.
- On days when all buses are cancelled or the school is closed, we always cancel hot lunch!





PARENTS



FUN LUNCHES ON-LINE

You have been asked to order your Fun Lunches On-Line... Now what? Go to www.HealthyHunger.ca and click **"REGISTER YOUR STUDENT"**. After your account is created, you will be able to view all up-coming Fun Lunches, place orders, and then pay for your orders Online with Visa, or MasterCard.

HOW IT WORKS

Create an account



STEP 1.

Click **"REGISTER YOUR STUDENT"** and create Your account.

Add Student



STEP 2.

Login, and add your children to the account.

View upcoming fun lunches



STEP 3.

View all the Up-coming fun lunch dates.

Place your orders and make payment online



STEP 4.

Place your orders and make payment Online.



BENEFITS

1. Receive an email reminder if you have not ordered for an up-coming lunch.
2. Receive automatic email notification when your School posts a new Fun Lunch.
3. Order for multiple children attending the same or different Schools.
4. Flexibility & Control. Order for 1 lunch, 2 lunches, or the entire year.
5. Cancel orders at any time before the 5-day Cut-Off.
6. Quickly review your orders at any time.
7. Free and Unlimited Tech Support from Healthy Hunger.

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