Hello Salmon Families!

Welcome to our weekly Salmon News! If you are a returning parent of a 3rd grader, I am so excited to work with you and your student again this year. If you are the parent of a new 2nd grader, I am really looking forward to getting to know you and your student. This is our weekly newsletter where you will find out what we have been working on, access important links and get notified of important upcoming dates.

It has been a great and exciting start to our 2025–26 school year! There are some big changes and new faces this year. School breakfast and lunch has been a success so far this week. Our new principal Miranda has been working hard to get the school ready for a new year and it has been lovely working with and getting to know her these past couple of weeks. Students had their first class with our new garden teacher Kji and next week they will meet Kristen, the new PE teacher.

This first week focused a lot on building up our community routines, both in the classroom and throughout the school. We talked about hopes and dreams for the school year, set some goals, made some cool art for our cubbies and started reading an awesome novel. Next week we will be diving right into math, literacy and science. Stay tuned to see what's in store!

Here are a few things to know and think about...

School Breakfast/Lunch

Every Springwater student may have breakfast and lunch **for free** every school day. There is no need to sign up or alert us that your student will be eating school-provided food. The only exception to "free" is if a student would like a second helping or an adult would like lunch they will need to purchase it.

Volunteering

Don't forget that you need to update your background check every year. This is for Friday Field Study as well as in-classroom volunteer opportunities. Here is the link: <u>Annual Background Check</u>.

Friday Field Study (FFS)

Interested in volunteering? Here is the link to sign up: <u>Kim's FFS</u>

<u>Volunteer Sign Ups</u>. You will need to complete a background check and attend Jen's volunteer orientation next Friday. FFS is one of the most amazing and special things about Springwater and I highly recommend joining us if you have the time and are willing!

Important Apps

PikMyKid is what we use to safely dismiss students everyday and it is important that we know how your student will be getting home. ParentSquare is how we communicate the majority of information to families. Here are the links to both:

<u>ParentSquare</u> <u>PikMyKid</u>

Salmon Class Website

We have a website for both of our salmon classes that has important links, our class schedule and access to weekly newsletters. Check it out at <u>Springwater Salmon Website</u>.

Photo Album

Every year we have a photo album dedicated to our class's adventures out at field study as well as projects in our classroom. Families are welcome to add (appropriate and respectful) pictures to it, especially if you get a chance to make it to a Friday Field Study. Here is the link: Class Photo Album

Important Dates

9/5 No School

9/12 FFS

9/12 Parent Training FFS 11:30-12:15 in the Art room

9/18 Curriculum Night

9/19 No School

If you ever have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to reach out. Communication is key to your student's success. We are a team!

Kim