Pond Cove Principal's Notes

Week of 6/7/2021



Displayed in Mrs. Chouinard's Grade 1 Classroom

Dear Pond Cove Families,

Our Grades 1-4 students and staff have had an amazing first week of school. We can't wait for our kindergarten friends to officially join us on September 8. Last week, students were busy getting to know one another and learning classroom routines.

As in every year, we ask you to **complete necessary forms** in PowerSchool. Although some information is carried over year to year, you must review and confirm it each fall. Updating these forms annually is very important for a successful school year.

ALL STUDENTS need the following forms filled out:

- Health History form
- Emergency Contacts form
- Legal Guardians form
- Student Information
- Digital Guideline form
- Media Form and the Permission to Publish Forms

In order to access these forms, please log in to PowerSchool. You will need to use your Parental Username and Password. Once you have logged in, on the left hand side menu, there is an icon labeled "Forms." Please review all forms and be sure to click on submit at the bottom of the page so that the information is updated.

If you are having trouble accessing these forms, please use this <u>link</u> to view an instruction sheet that can walk you through the process.

We have three friendly reminders about dismissal:

- **Car Line Signs** Please place a medium-large sign on the passenger side of your car with your child's name and grade. This will help us expedite car line dismissal.
 - FIRST and LAST NAME (e.g., SALLY SUNSHINE)
 - **GRADE** (e.g., Grade 1)
- **Car Line**: Car line is ONLY for students whose parents stay in their cars and drive through the car line. Please know that we are carefully monitoring the trends of the car line wait time and will make adjustments if needed. Thank you for your patience.
- Park and Pick-Up is synonymous with Walker/Biker. If you plan to park in the lower lot and meet your child in the area near the stairs, please indicate walker/biker on your child's dismissal plans so they can come out at the designated time.

Best wishes for a wonderful week!

Sincerely,

Jason Manjourides Principal, Pond Cove Elementary



Here is a sneak peek at some of the small moments that happened over the past three days.



Senora Chase with her teaching partner, Timothy.

Can anyone guess Mrs. Jennings' favorite color?





Students are jumping right back into the swing of learning!

Upcoming Events/Important Dates:

- September 8: First Day of School for Kindergarten Students
- September 14: Kindergarten Picnic at the Fort Williams pavilion(5:30-7:00)
- September 29: Half Day for Students (12:05 Dismissal)/Professional Development Afternoon for Staff
- October 5: Picture Day
- October 8: No School for Students/Staff Day

- October 28: Half Day for Students (12:05 Dismissal)/Parent Teacher Conferences in the afternoon
- October 29: No School for Students/Parent Teacher Conferences

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions:

- Pond Cove doors open at 8:25 A.M. Students should be seated in the classroom and ready to start their day by 8:35 A.M. We begin our dismissal at 2:55 P.M. As we look forward to the coming weeks, we will continue to streamline our dismissal procedures.
- As students arrive, they will enter the building through a designated grade-level entry door. Several staff members will be outside to help them find the correct door.
- If you would like your child to have breakfast at school, please preorder through Nutrislice. Teachers may decide if students eat breakfast in the cafeteria or in their classrooms. We will make sure that every student who has ordered a breakfast is provided with one.
- If you need to update us on your student's attendance, please make the change in PowerSchool by 9:00 A.M. Updates to dismissal plans need to be entered in PowerSchool by 9:30 A.M. In either case, you may always email (pcoffice@capeelizabethschools.org) or call the main office (799-7339). Late changes are discouraged.

Counselors' Corner Mrs. Gallagher and Mrs. O'Neill



Important COVID Reminders

- Please complete the <u>Daily Symptoms Checklist</u> for your child each day before they attend school. This is very important as we work to keep our campus open for in-person school this year.
- If students arrive late to school, please have them enter the Pond Cove front door and check in at the main office.
- Due to the pandemic, we are discouraging parents/guardians from dropping items off at school this year. It takes us all working together to keep everyone healthy and safe. Thank you for all your efforts at home!
- For questions related to COVID-19 protocols in our school, please check <u>COVID-19</u> <u>Parent/Student Handbook</u>.
- To sign your child up for pooled testing: Consent Form: <u>http://testcenter.concentricbyginkgo.com//minor-consent</u> (Access code: oC46EP - the first digit is zero)
- Any questions related to COVID, pooled testing, or any other health concern, please contact Nurse Taylor: <u>etaylor@capeelizabethschools.org</u>

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