

ROSS FORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WELCOME!

The staff of Ross Ford Elementary School would like to welcome back students and families who were with us last year, and new students and families who are joining us for the first time. We are happy to have you with us this year!

We are excited to welcome Mrs. Friske to Grade 3 and Mrs. Dixon who will start the year in

the Grade 3/4 split class.

We are very pleased to have all of our wonderful educators join us!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank families for being patient and understanding as we start this new year.

We look forward to another great year of learning and growth.

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Mr. George Thomson

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, September 11:

5:30-6:30pm - Meet the Teacher

Monday, September 18:

2:30pm - Welcome Back Assembly

Tuesday, September 19:

Terry Fox Run

Wednesday, September 20:

Picture Day:

K1, K3, 1.1, 1.2, 1/2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3

Thursday, September 21:

Picture Day:

PreK, K2, 2.1, 2.2, 3/4, 4.1, 4.2

Tuesday, September 26:

2:30pm - Empathy Assembly

Wednesday, September 27:

7:00pm - Parent Council Meeting

Friday, September 29:

Orange Shirt Day

No School Days

Friday, September 22

Kindergarten Fridays

September 15 - K1/K3 M/W

Absences

If your student will be absent for any reason, please call the office at 403-335-3234 or email rossfordattendance@cesd73.ca to advise. There is an answering machine for phone messages after hours.

Principal's Message

A Warm Welcome to the New School Year!

Dear Ross Ford Elementary School Families,

I hope this message finds you well and filled with excitement for the upcoming school year! As the principal of Ross Ford Elementary School, it is my pleasure to extend a warm welcome to all our students, parents, guardians, and staff members as we embark on another year of learning, growth, and discovery.

The start of a new school year is a time of fresh beginnings, a chance to set new goals, and an opportunity to build upon the successes of the past. At Ross Ford Elementary, we are committed to creating an enriching and supportive environment where every child can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

Our dedicated team of educators and support staff is prepared to nurture your children's curiosity, encourage their creativity, and foster their love for learning. We believe that a strong partnership between the school and home is essential for your child's success, and we are excited to work together with you throughout the year to ensure your child reaches their fullest potential.

As we embark on this journey together, please remember that communication is key. Our doors are always open, and we encourage you to reach out with any questions, concerns, or ideas you may have. Your input is invaluable, and together, we can create a positive and engaging educational experience for

our students.

In the coming weeks and months, you can expect to receive regular updates on school events, curriculum highlights, and important dates. We encourage you to stay connected with us through our newsletters, school website, and social media channels to ensure you're up-to-date with all that is happening at Ross Ford Elementary.

Please make plans to get involved in our school. Upcoming events include Meet the Teacher on September 11 (details to come shortly), Welcome Back Assembly on September 18, Terry Fox Run on September 19, Empathy Assembly on September 26 and School Council Meeting on September 27.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for entrusting us with the education and well-being of your children. We are excited about the year ahead and all the possibilities it holds for our students. Let's work together to make this a memorable and successful school year for all.

Once again, welcome back to Ross Ford Elementary School! Together, we will make this school year one filled with growth, achievement, and joy.

Warm regards,

George Thomson Principal, Ross Ford Elementary School

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Around the School...

Swimming Lessons

Each of our classes will be attending swimming lessons throughout the year.

Grade 3 and 4 classes begin later this month.

Please watch for information about when your child will be attending lessons.

Nut & Peanut Aware

As we have students in the building with anaphylactic nut and peanut allergies, we ask our parents for their cooperation and request you do not send products or foods that may contain nuts or peanuts in your child's lunch or snacks. The risk to our students is critical and therefore, we ask for all students to observe this precaution.

Criminal Record Checks

Traditionally, we plan field trips for the spring. If you are interested in being a parent volunteer for these trips, we do require a recent vulnerable sector check. It gets very busy for the local RCMP detachment in the spring, so please plan ahead!