

Camilla Connection

December

December 4, 2017

Dear Camilla Families:

I would like to thank all parents for attending our parent teacher interviews. Celebrating learning together assists all students in being the best they can be. We, the staff, value the commitment you make to your child's learning and appreciate the time you devoted to interviews. As always, should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school.

Our teachers are working hard to prepare our children for the academic challenges in our school. The children are rising to the challenges too! We continue to focus on critical thinking skills, providing opportunities for success, and building positive relationships. During my classroom visits, I am continually impressed with the learning happening with all of our students.

As a result of divisional staffing changes, Ms. Saluk from Guthrie School will be joining our school. She will be replacing Mr. Eckstrom. As you know Mr. Eckstrom has served our school community well and we are sorry to see him go. Ms. Saluk will be an excellent addition to our team and I know you will welcome her as you do all new staff who join our team. Ms. Saluk will be teaching band, music 4, 5 and core classes in the junior high.

Now our focus turns to the holiday season and I am looking forward to our Christmas Concert and activities that happen at school in December. As you to make plans for the season and for the upcoming break, please take time for yourself and to reflect on what is important to you. Also, related to this, we need to take care of ourselves so that we are able help others and give back when we can. This seems to be the season that there are many campaigns around to raise money and goods for the food bank, for families in need, and for all sorts of charities. It is evident in our own food drive that our students and families care and support others when they can. We can also give back by simply doing something nice, or extra for someone you know, or a cause that is dear to you. It does not always need to be a tangible item. Acknowledging someone's contribution to a task or a job well done is also a form of support and giving back. You can give some time to a local activity to help make the community events run smooth. There are numerous ways people can contribute and I know we don't have to look far to find the opportunities.

Thank you for participating in our on-line hot lunch program. Please note that the hot lunch program is ran by volunteers and they are using an on-line system for ordering. This system is separate from powerschool and we do not add in hot lunch fees to regular school fees. So when ordering your child's hot lunch on-line it is best to order and pay at the same time, before the deadline, to avoid any disappointment. You can email the hot lunch committee with any questions at camillaschoolhotlunch@gmail.com

On a "colder" note, please make sure your children are dressed for the weather. We have not yet had really cold weather but it is probably coming. We all want the children to be safe and warm on the buses to and from school, and on the playground.

A HUGE thank you to all parent volunteers who help make our school a success. From hot lunches, parent reps, tying skates, reading to students, field trips, numerous other acts of kindness, your generosity of time continues to be much appreciated.

We are still looking for volunteers for our mentor program that is coming to our school in 2018. This program is ran in conjunction with Big Brothers/Big Sisters and the Rotary Club. To volunteer there is a 1 hour commitment once per week and you will work with the same student each week. Please contact me directly if you are interested.

Have a wonderful December and I wish all our Camilla families a wonderful Christmas and holiday break!

Warm Winter Wishes!

Mrs. Morgan



From Mrs. Morgan's Desk

Things that you need to know

Snack Shack Volunteers

We are looking for a volunteer to pick up supplies for our snack shack on a bi-weekly basis. Please contact Lisa Roderick at the school Lisa.Roderick@sturgeon.ab.ca

December days off

8th PD/Staff Meeting

23rd-Jan 7th Christmas Break

Parent Council

The next Parent Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:30pm in the school library. All parents are welcome to attend.

Please watch for upcoming events and fundraiser information.

Kindergarten LAC meeting Jan 9 @3:15pm upstairs in the staffroom

Website

Keep up to date with all of Camilla School's events and information, as well as community events, by visiting our website daily. www.camillaschool.ca

If you have an event coming up, please send us the info and we will post it on our website

Facebook

Please check out Camilla School's Facebook page, follow us for important updates, activities and little notes from the school.

Attendance:

We now use an automated system with our attendance here at Camilla. We ask that you talk to your children so they understand the importance of being in their classrooms for attendance or that they check in at the office if they were late getting to class.

Please continue to use the following email address to report your child's absence

camabsences@sturgeon.ab.ca

Criminal Record Checks

Just a reminder that you need Criminal Record Checks to volunteer at Camilla School. We require a new CRIM Check every three years. There is a letter at the office that you can take to the police station for a free CRIM Check. If you are unsure if you need to update your CRIM Check with us, please feel free to call the school.

You are invited to ...

The Camilla Christmas Concert December 20 @ 1 & 6:30pm. Our students and staff work very hard so please come and join us for a wonderful evening.



Art Attack

WE NEED YOUR HELP: Our January craft is doing a loom project. If you have any spare yarn at home that you could donate, can you please send it to me in the library? Thanks for your help!

Our dates are set for:

January 23, 2018

February 27, 2018

March 13, 2018

April 24, 2018

May 22, 2018

From 3:15 pm. to 4:15 on each of these dates.

One week before the class every parent will receive a power announcement from the office with the registration form. I will also have some printed in the library, at that time. If you wish to attend, we only have 30 spots per session, so you need to get the form in as soon as possible. The September class filled in 2 days.

Mrs. Stuart

****Please remember to check your PowerSchool account, you may have school agenda, field trip or jr high option fees on your account. Feel free to call the school if you have any questions or concerns. ****



Thank you to all that supported Movember here at Camilla. Our wonderful Camilla community raised \$142.



Camilla SAC

We are looking for the following volunteers for next year:

Hot Lunch Coordinator(s)

Your responsibilities would include:

- Entering online vendor information, menus, compiling orders and reports.
- Dealing with vendors.
- Coordinating volunteers for the day of hot lunch.
- Picking up the food if the company doesn't deliver.

Day of hot lunch, double check orders and deliver to classrooms.

Camilla School Apparel Coordinator(s)

Your responsibilities would include:

- Picking up samples from supplier.
- Setting up fittings at school (ie. during lunch hour and/or parent teacher conferences).
- Double check and conform orders.

Upon delivery, all orders need to be sorted and given to students.

If interested in either position, please contact Sharon at santhieren@hotmail.com.

Join us for our next SAC meeting on Wednesday, January 17th at 6:30pm in the library.