

# Robert Warren School

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Weekly Message

Dear Robert Warren families,



I want to thank you for the warm welcome I have received to this school community, I have truly enjoyed getting to know students and families over these past three weeks. As someone who has had the opportunity to be within many school communities in the CBE, I want to let you know how special the staff, students and parents of Robert Warren are, it is a magical place to be!

Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup> marks the fall equinox, this day heralds the shifting of the seasons as we say farewell to the summer. It is a great opportunity to take time outside in observance of this important seasonal event.

"It is another time of celebration; it is another time of reflection; and, also to prepare (for) how we are going to go into the next season..." Saa'kokoto, Fall Equinox Teachings (2021).

Have a wonderful weekend!

Kristal Derbyshire, Principal

# **Healthy Hunger**



School Council organizes Healthy Hunger each Tuesday and Thursday. Healthy Hunger accounts do not expire, however, parents need to link their child to a school each year. If you are not receiving emails about upcoming ordering dates you will need to link your child to Robert Warren School. Our next date is Tuesday September 24<sup>th</sup>. https://healthyhunger.ca/

# **Orange Shirt Day**



Date: September 25, 2024

All Robert Warren Staff and Students are encouraged to wear an Orange Shirt to school, students will participate in a learning activity related to Truth and Reconciliation.

September 30, 2021 marked the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, a day that coincides with Orange Shirt Day. This day recognizes the tragic legacy of residential schools, the missing children, the families left behind, and the survivors of these institutions.

Orange Shirt Day began in 2013 when residential school survivor Phyllis Webstad shared how her orange shirt was taken away on her first day at residential school. Webstad's story provides an opportunity for CBE students and staff to reflect on the history, legacy, and implications of the residential schools era. On this day, we encourage CBE staff to also celebrate the stories of survival and resilience of Indigenous communities, and to share ways that we can work together toward truth and reconciliation.

"I am honored to be able to tell my story so that others may benefit and understand, and maybe other survivors will feel comfortable enough to share their stories." (Phyllis Webstad)

# **Meet the Teacher**



Date: September 26, 2024

Time: 6:00-6:30pm - Grade 6 & NEW student presentation in the Gym

**6:30-7:30pm** - Grade 7-9 student meet and greets in Grade Teams

At 6:00pm all staff will be in the Gym for the Grade 6 and New Student presentation. Following that presentation at 6:30pm, Grade Teams will be available in the following designated areas for a quick Grade Team presentation, followed by an opportunity for families to introduce themselves to teachers.

## Grade 6 – Gym

• Barrera, Coulombe, Felstrom, Perera

### Grade 7 - Room 11

• Garcia, Steudler, Menjivar, Vargas

## **Grade 8 & 9 – Learning Commons**

• Gilliland, Hall, Keen, Jacquin, Robertson, Soltesz, Sunohara, Zavala

Please remember that this is a meet and greet, official School Conference bookings will occur on October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024.



#### Athletics

## **Basketball**

Sr Boys

Practice – Tuesday 7:30-8:30am & Thursday 3:30-4:30pm

Sr Girls

Practice – Tuesday & Wednesday – 3:30-4:30pm

Developmental Basketball Club

• NO club on September 27<sup>th</sup> as it is a Non-Instructional Day

## **Cross Country**

 Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> is the final cross-country running meet at North Glenmore Park. Runners should arrive at 4:15 pm.

# Soccer

Practice – Tuesdays after school – 3:30-4:30pm

Games (4:30-5:30pm)

- Wednesday September 25 Marshall Springs @ RW
- Wednesday October 2 Willow Park @ RW
- Monday October 7 David Thompson @ RW

## **Band Information**

- The band program has kicked off our Box of Cards fundraiser. We have 4 varieties cards for sale, \$35 per box. Options can be previewed at <a href="https://www.bigboxfundraising.com/">https://www.bigboxfundraising.com/</a>. Please let Ms. Gilliland or any band family know if you would like to purchase.
- The Simple Simon Pie band fundraiser will begin on September 25<sup>th</sup>, the link will be sent out next week.



## Spanish for Parents - Level 1

Chinook Learning Services offers courses specifically designed for parents and caregivers of CBE Spanish Bilingual students. For Fall 2024, Chinook Learning Services is offering **Spanish for Parents – Level 1** classes at three locations: <u>Canyon Meadows School</u>, <u>Dalhousie School</u>, and <u>Eugene Coste School</u>. This eight-week course will help parents of bilingual students learn or refresh their Spanish language skills, build their network of bilingual parents, and support their children's learning at home.

This course would also be beneficial for any Support Staff who are interested in learning along with parents!

Here is the link on the Chinook Learning Services website: <u>Spanish for Spanish - Level 1</u> Here is the link for the course content: <u>Course Outline - Spanish for Parents - Level 1</u>

## **Upcoming Dates**

- September 22 Fall Equinox
- September 23 27 CBE Week for Truth and Reconciliation
- September 25 Orange Shirt Day
- September 26 Meet the Teacher 6:00pm-7:30pm
- September 27 Non-Instructional Day
- September 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (No School)
- October 14 Thanksgiving Day (No School)
- October 24 School Conferences evening
- October 25 School Conferences daytime (No School)
- October 31 School Dance (Period 6&7)