LAKEWOOD ELEMENTARY

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Principal's Message

As many of you already know, Lakewood Elementary has a very unique Code of Conduct. We have always worked hard with students around social responsibility. Our Code focuses on five areas: Respect for individuals and Property, Caring, Safety and Environmental Stewardship (Ecowarriors).



These areas form the basis for our code which was designed by our students using their own personal language. Mistakes are part of being

human and when students make mistakes, restitution practices teach kids that mistakes are normal. Sometimes we make mistakes when we are trying to meet our basic needs. When parents send the message that says, "You shouldn't have done



that. What's wrong with you?" it often causes kids to avoid taking responsibility for their behavior. A child may begin to lie to get out of trouble or may go to great lengths to cover up a mistake. In contrast, teaching kids that mistakes are normal encourages them to be honest. When children understand that making mistakes is part of life and that how people deal with those mistakes is what matters most, it increases the likelihood that they'll accept responsibility. Instead of claiming, "It's not my fault," a child who participates in the restitution process is better prepared to say, "I made a mistake. What can I do to make it right?"

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Halloween Costumes

Just a reminder that students are welcome to wear their Halloween costumes Friday, October 30th. We ask that students follow the SD#62 Guidelines for costumes.



- Full face makeup is permitted as long as it isn't too scary or offensive
- Covid Halloween half masks are permitted. No full masks please.
- No Imitation weapons of any kind
- Friendly clowns, jesters, mimes etc. are permitted. No scary clowns.

We want to ensure that all students have a fun positive experience, particularly our primary students, some of which are new to this special day. If your child has a particularly scary costume for trick-or-treating; we suggest that they wear a different costume for their day at school that meets school district guidelines. Your child's teacher will inform you of the fun classroom events that are coming up!

A picture is worth a thousand words...how do we teach the children if we as adults



don't follow the rules?

Remembrance Day Service

Our annual Remembrance Service will be virtual this year at 10:45am on Tuesday, November 10th.

Unfortunately, we will not be conducting our traditional assembly in the gym. Scouts, Guides and Cadets are encouraged to wear their uniforms on this day.

Student Drop Off in the Morning

- When dropping off your child, <u>parents need</u> to stay in the car.
- Pull as far forward as possible to the area outside Mr. Sansom's classroom in the lane closest to the school. Don't stop and drop by the adventure playground area when there are no cars in front of you.
- Pull up as close as you can to the car in front of you and unload your cargo.
- If you have to drop your child off and they aren't right outside their classroom they can walk the extra distance.
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Student Pick Up after school

- The bus zone (in front of the cross walk) is for buses only.
- Pull up as close as you can to the cross walk if you are the lead car in the pick-up lane.
- Pull up as close to the car in front of you and load your cargo quickly.
- > Parents, remain in your vehicle.
- The outside lane is for through traffic only and busses that need to get to the bus zone area.

Parking Lot for Parents...

There is only one, directly in front of the school. If there isn't a marked space, don't double park.



Parking Lots for Staff...

The parking lot in front of the Kindergarten classrooms and the rear parking lot is staff parking. This is not for student pick up and drop off.

Dress for the weather!!

It is important for all students to get outside, have a motion break and get some fresh air at recess and lunch. Boots, coats and hats help keep your kids dry while they are outside enjoying time with their friends! Also make sure they have a spare set of clothes. We have many covered areas around our school so children can stay dry if they so choose. A reminder that all students are outside at recess and lunch in order for our custodial staff to complete enhanced cleaning in classrooms.

Shake Out; Earthquake Drill

Today we had our first earthquake drill as part of the Great British Columbia Shake Out. British Columbia is located in a seismically active region where a few thousand earthquakes occur each year. Students did an excellent job!

Dates to Remember

- > Tues., Oct. 20th Photo Day
- > Thurs., Oct. 22nd Fire Drill 1:15PM
- > Fri., Oct 23rd Pro D Day No School
- > Tues. Nov. 3rd Virtual PAC Meeting 7PM
- > Tues. Nov. 10th <u>Virtual</u> Remembrance Service 10:45AM
- ➤ Wed. Nov. 11th Remembrance Day No School
- Tues. Nov. 17th, Fire Drill 10:45AM
- Thurs. Nov. 19th Early Dismissal 11:38AM
- Fri. Nov. 20th Pro D No School
- Wed. Nov. 25th Lock Down Drill 2:10PM
- Fri. Dec. 18th Jingle Bell Run/Winter Vacation Begins
- Mon. Jan. 4th First Day Back