

KLEEFELD SCHOOL

THE BUZZ

SEPTEMBER, 2017

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 니 LABOUR DAY | 5 ADMINISTRATION DAY | 6 Day 1 WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL! | 7 Day 2 | 8 Day 3 |
| NO SCHOOL | | Kindergarten Interviews | Kindergarten Interviews | Kindergarten Staggered Entry (Half Class) |
| 11 Day 4 First Notes Band Orientation Gr 7 Kindergarten Staggered Entry (Half Class) | 12 Day 5 First Day of Full Kindergarten | 13 Day 6 | 14 Day 1 | 15 Day 2 STRONG CONNECTIONS |
| 18 Day 3 STRONG CONNECTIONS | 19 Day 4 | 20 Day 5 ABORIGINAL AWARENESS DAY KLEEFELD PARK GR.5 | 21 Day 6 | 22 Day 1 Hot Lunch: Pepperoni Pizza \$1.50/Slice HSD CROSS COUNTRY RUN #1 (Abe's Hill) |
| 25 Day 2 | 26 Day 3 | 27 Day 4 | 28 Day 5 KS TERRY FOX RUN 2:30 PM Parents Invited! | 29 Day 6 Hot Lunch: Hot Dogs \$1.50 HSD CROSS COUNTRY RUN #2 (AD Penner Park) |

NEWS FROM THE HIVE...



KLEEFELD SCHOOL STRONG CONNECTIONS

Establishing a caring, supportive relationship between students and

teachers is important. Student learning improves when this type of relationship exists. As a way of encouraging this HSD has set aside two days at the beginning of the school year, so that staff can connect with students. These days are called Strong Connections. On Friday, Sept. 8, each Kleefeld School family will receive information about which day their students will be attending, either Friday, Sept. 15 or Monday, Sept. 18. On these days, teachers will spend half the day, one on one and in small groups with their students. Teachers will gather information on how individual students learn best, they will talk about ways to support students and the achievements students are proud of. The other half of the day is spent connecting with other school staff in the gym, library and music room. Some student assessment will occur, but we are making a big effort to keep low key and not stressful. The information we gather during these days will assist teachers as they plan to meet the individual needs of their students.

HSD PARENT / CHILD COMMUNITY PRE SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Hanover Parent and Child Community Program invites Kleefeld parents and their preschool children (1 to 4 yrs) to attend. It's <u>FREE</u>! The goal of preschool is to promote school readiness skills. Children will play, create, sing and learn skills in preparation for kindergarten. In the program, parents connect with other parents, learn new skills and participate in activities with their children. Snacks are provided. Families can attend regularly or just drop in.

Tuesdays 1:15-3:15 PM Starts Sept. 19 Fridays 9:30-11:30 AM Starts Sept. 22

Located in the west hut behind Kleefeld School
TO PARK—please drive through the staff parking lot and
park on the north end of the lot.

We will follow the HSD calendar and policies for school closure days.
Children should bring indoor footwear.



It's a tradition....

The beginning of the year **PRAYER WALK**

will be happening on Sunday, Sept. 17 @ 3:00 PM.



Please meet at the south doors at the front of the school.

MUSIC/BAND @ KLEEFELD SCHOOL

Mrs. Hiebert is looking forward to an excellent year of making music with Kleefeld School students. She has a jam-packed year planned—beginning with the First Notes band workshop on Monday, Sept 11 (6:25-8:00) when Gr 7 students will be introduced to their band instruments. A Gr. 4-6 Christmas Musical and a Gr. 1-3 Spring Musical are also planned. The Eastman Choral Workshop is on Fri., Oct. 13 with students from gr. 5-8 participating. If you are able to volunteer to supervise for the workshop, please let Mrs. Hiebert know.



LIBRARY BUZZINESS

Welcome back, the books have missed you!!!! Come peruse the latest and greatest books waiting to be read: <u>Paw Patrol</u>, <u>Moana, Batman</u> and <u>The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors</u>, just to name a few. <u>Lucy Finds Her Way</u>, by Nancy Rue, <u>You're Bacon Me Crazy</u>, by Suzanne Nelson, '<u>Tricked</u>, by Jen Calonita

and, <u>The Rithmatist</u>, by Brandon Sanderson are sure to be favourites. <u>Boom Boom Mushroom</u> is also available for our graphic novel enthusiasts.

800 books were taken out and enjoyed over summer by 70 students and 1 community member. Thank you for your continued support, It's wonderful to watch this program flourish..

The Scholastic Book Fair will be held January 29-February 1, 2018. The Books 4 Eternity book club program, will also be running throughout the year. This book club program is a Christian alternative to Scholastic.

The 2017/2018 MYRCA book club will be up and running in October. The book line-up is amazing. Grade 5-Grade 8 students are invited to join MYRCA.

"To learn to read is to light a fire" ~ Victor Hugo, Les Miserables



SAFETY REMINDERS

The safety of our students is important to all of us, especially as they travel to and from school. Here are some ways you can help:

When dropping students off

- 1) Lines have been painted to remind drivers to leave space between your vehicle and the curb so there is room for students and parents to walk along the curb..
- 2) Please do not pull into the drop off lane against the flow of traffic (facing the wrong way). You are very welcome to come into the loop and drop your child off on the sidewalk.
- 3) Reduce speed to 30 KM/HR in the marked school zone.
- 4) Please do not drop off/pick up in the parking lot. We cannot see your kids.
- 5) Use the bus loop for drop offs and pick-ups after the busses have departed.



STINGER ATHLETICS

School has begun and the gym is a hive of activity. These are some of the important upcoming events in the first months of the school year.

CROSS - COUNTRY RUNNING

During the month of September in Phys. Ed classes, our students will be actively involved in games and lessons that involve a variety of fitness skills. Students in Gr 5-8 can represent Kleefeld School at a HSD divisional cross-country meet. Students in grades 5-8 who are interested in participating should see Mr. Shields or Mrs. Kurbatoff for information.

TERRY FOX RUN K-8

Kleefeld School's Terry Fox Run will be held on Thursday,, Sept. 28, 2:30-3:30 PM. Family members are encouraged to come out and participate in this event. There will a short meeting in the gym at 2:30 before proceeding outside for the run.

GRADE 1-8 STINGERS NOLLEYBALL AND TRIPLE BALL

In order for students to participate in Stingers Volleyball, players are asked to sign a student contract agreeing to attend practices, demonstrate sportsmanship and work cooperatively with coaches and teammates. Gr. 7 teams play a modified form of volleyball called Triple Ball, while the Gr 8 teams follow a more traditional format, with some guidelines regarding playing time.

Games Schedules

*League Start in early October

*Grade 7 and 8 Girls play on Tuesdays

* Grade 7 and 8 Boys play on Thursdays

JERSEY SALES GR. 5-8

Our Stinger T-Shirts can be worn for all of our school's athletic activities (cross country, volleyball, basketball, badminton and track and field). These shirts are available to all students in Gr 5-8 and will go on sale shortly.

FOOTWEAR AND CLOTHING

All students must have a clean pair of indoor gym shoes. Indoor gym shoes should not be worn outside except for special circumstances (ex. fire drill.). Gym clothes are also mandatory for students in Gr 4-8. Students who do not to change in the change room will be given an alternate changing area.



ALLERGY ALERT AND REQUEST



We would like to request that every effort be made to not send foods containing peanuts and tree nuts to school.

That being said, we also would like to say that we do not claim to be a nut free facility.

If a student inadvertently brings food with peanuts/tree nuts, we will ask that they eat the food at a designated spot and we will ensure that the area is cleaned afterward.

GR 7/8 **OUTDOOR EDUCATION TRIP**

Our grade seven and eight students will have the opportunity to go on an outdoor education trip to Red Rock Camp on Oct 11,12 and 13. The cost of the trip is still under negotiation, so please check your Parent Portal next week for exact figure. Trips such as this serve several learning purposes. One is that is allows us to extend the learning environment beyond classroom walls. These outdoor experiences also provide opportunities for students and staff to connect and build relationships. Just to be absolutely crystal clear, we have very firmly enforced guidelines as to cabin and sleeping arrangements. If you have any questions regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to call the school.

HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT THE NEW PARENT PORTAL???

Hanover School Division is constantly working to improve communication with families. The newly opened Parent Portal is an excellent way to **STAY CONNECTED AND INFORMED**. If you have difficulty getting connected or did not receive your login information, please contact the Kleefeld School office. We would be happy to walk you through the steps to getting connected.

THE 2016-17 YEARBOOKS HAVE ARRIVED!!

The yearbooks have arrived and they look amazing. Thank you to Ms. Manuel and Mrs. McKenzie who dedicated many hours to create this beautiful memory book. Thank you also to our faithful photographers who captured so many exciting moments throughout the school year. If you pre-ordered a yearbook and do not receive onein the next week, please call or stop by the school office to pick up your copy.