THE BALDONNEL

SPRING 2019



At Baldonnel we have a code of conduct. Our focus words are: Respectful, Responsible, Safe and Kind.

Questions? Please message:

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WAYS TO ENCOURAGE KINDNESS

At Baldonnel we don't just show one day of Kindness on World Kindness

Day. We encourage the daily practice of kindness.

As a community it is important to raise our school culture for the better, making kindness, empathy, inclusion, and acceptance an everyday thing. Here are some ideas to inspire kindness for the whole community!

*Throw Kindness around like confetti. Encourage students to leave anonymous messages of kindness for others.

- *Paint rocks with kind messages and leave them for others to find.
- *Teach respect for the Earth by encouraging recycling and picking up garbage outside.
- *Teach children to be kind to others and themselves.
- *Encourage students to gift an act of kindness to a relative or friend such as walking the dog, helping in the garden, baking something for someone.
- *Start each day by reading a positive

quote to start the day off right.

- *Make helping a family affair. When a friend gets sick or a local family falls on hard times, demonstrate how to help by sending flowers, baking casseroles etc.
- *Point out all the good things that are happening and going right. Help children to feel better about the world they live in by sharing positive, feel good stories in the news.
- *Cheer up a friend in need.

Dates to Remember:

Friday May 17th: District Speech Contest @ Cultural Centre

Monday May 20th: Victoria Day-No school

Monday June 3rd: Design, Activity Afternoon

Friday June 7th: District Track Meet

Thursday June 27th: Last day of School



ADST AFTERNOON

On Monday June 3rd starting at 1 pm, we will be having an Applied Skills Design Technology Afternoon. Last year we ran this activity as well. Students will go to a group of their choice to build, design, or play. This day encourages students to be creative. Some of the stations we have are: baking, making dream catchers, obstacle course in the gym, gardening, painting and more. If there is a building or creative activity you are interested in doing with students please contact me

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Typically we have 14 different activities. There are no more then ten students in each group. The activity runs for approximately an hour and a half. We are looking for 3 or 4 parents to volunteer to work with a group of students on their activity.

If you have any of the following items for this day and are able to donate, we would appreciate it:

Embroidery thread, irons, finishing nails.

Activities that we have arranged so far: archaeology centre, building with blocks and Leggo, obstacle course building, Sphero's, dream catchers, sewing, baking, mosaic art, galaxy rocks, horse demonstration to name a few.



READY, SET LEARN AND WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

Ready, Set, Learn is intended for families and their three to five year olds. We will be hosting a Ready, Set, Learn activity afternoon on May 29th, from 1 -2:15 pm. Helen Gilbert will be our guest facilitator for RSL. She is a former principal in our district and currently she is a school district 60 trustee. Typically children will hear a story, do a craft and have some playtime together. This helps familiarize students to our school setting, helping to prepare them for attending Kindergarten one day. Please register with the office. If you know of any families in our community with children from ages 3-5 please share this information with them.

Welcome to Kindergarten will be held on Wednesday, June 13th at 11 am. Please register with the office to let us know you are coming. Welcome to Kindergarten is for students and parents to come to our school to get a chance to meet the Kindergarten teacher, to see the classroom, to get some information for the upcoming school year.

If you know of any families with children ready for Kindergarten please encourage them to register. We are getting quite full!!!

Plans for 2019/2020 School year: If you are moving or know your child will not be in attendance at Baldonnel next year, please inform the office.