**Principal's Message #28, April 10-14, 2017**

**Optional Parental Input for 2017-2018 Due Friday, May 5th (attachment)**

We appreciate input from parents when drafting our class lists and take it seriously, which is why I've have attached a standardized form for your optional input. Please keep in mind that the staff (classroom teachers, the learning assistance teacher, counsellor, resource teacher, literacy support teacher, administration, and district staff) are responsible for classroom placement and, in an effort to put together the class groupings for the best overall benefit, **we cannot possibly satisfy every suggestion that is made by each parent.**

**Leaving RVE in 17-18?**

I am looking at the organization and staffing for next school year, 2017-2018. If you know that you will not be attending RVE in 17-18, please let me know (This does not apply to students currently in Grade 6).

**Spring Carnival (attachment)**

The RVE PAC Spring Carnival is on Friday, May 26th, from 5:00-8:00 PM. This is PAC's main fundraiser of the year and volunteers are needed to make it successful. If you can volunteer, please contact Brittany Kort at 250-869-7813 or brit\_509@hotmail.com. CALL OUT for donations for the silent auction for the spring carnival. Please contact tersa.moseley@yahoo.com to donate.

**Shoe Bank Canada Drive**

April 3-21 Please place your donations of used but in good-condition shoes to Shoe Bank bins at the school. Shoe Bank Canada distributes foot wear to people in need across Canada through food banks and other social agencies in conjunction with Rotary Clubs. Their goal is to collect one million pairs of shoes in every province!

**Proposed changes to Rose Valley Regional Park**

There will be a Public Meeting on Monday April 10th at Mount Boucherie Secondary in the multi-purpose room, 7:30 to 9:00 pm. A representative from the Ministry of transportation will be there to provide information on the possible proposed road through Rose Valley Regional Park. This is your chance to attend, ask questions or voice concerns.

**RVE Library April Newsletter (attachment)**

The April Library Newsletter is attached. See it for information on our upcoming author visit and Battle of the Books.

**Girls Basketball Camp**

* Who: Girls Grades 5-7
* What: Night Hoops Girls Only Basketball Camp
* Where: Mount Boucherie Secondary School
* When: **5-8pm** on April 13th, 21st, 28th / May 12th, 19th / June 2nd
* How much: $150-Cheques payable to MBSS Basketball

Coaches Norm Bradley, Ashley Bedwell, Ashley Bricker and MBSS Girls basketball team

\***Please see RVE office for your registration form**

**PAC News**

* PAC is in need of parent volunteers for the hot lunch program on Wednesdays and our Pizza Day every other Friday. If you can volunteer, please email fun\_lunch@yahoo.ca.
* It would help if more parents pre-ordered their child's lunches and pizza online. This way the adult volunteers can put the orders together ahead of the rush and there will be fewer students trying to buy a lunch at the last minute. To pre-order, please follow the [PAC Fun Lunch](https://rve.hotlunches.net/admin/?sid=&un=0) link on our school [website](http://www.rve.sd23.bc.ca/Pages/default.aspx).
* All PAC meetings are at 6:30 in the staff room. PAC meeting dates: Apr 25, May 17 (Annual General Meeting), Jun 14.

**Reminders**

**Volunteering at RVE**

Criminal record checks must be completed and returned to the office before volunteering in the school, on field trips, or driving students to sporting events. 1) pick up the forms from the office, 2) complete the forms, 3) return them to the office with the proper identification, 4) the school submits the forms to the RCMP, 5) the RCMP sends the approved form back to you, 6) you return the approved form to the school. This process can take a few weeks so if you might be volunteering at any time in the future, it is best to start the criminal record check process immediately. Check in the office for the form.

**Absent Reporting**

If your child will be absent, please phone the school at 250-870-5146 or send an email to our office at rve@sd23.bc.ca. It is wise to contact your child's teacher, but please notify the office as well. If a child is absent and we have not been notified, we will call home. Please save us the call and the concern.

**Past Principal's Messages**

If you delete your Principal's Message and find that you need to look back at the information and/or dates, you can find all of the past Messages on our homepage by selecting the "[Newsletters](http://www.rve.sd23.bc.ca/newsletter/Pages/default.aspx)" menu.

**Student Supervision**

Our supervision schedule is from 8:05-8:27 in the mornings and 2:30 to 2:45 after school. The safety of students at RVE is our concern and when students are left unsupervised before 8:00 and after 2:45, there is risk of an incident or injury. Unsupervised students must leave the school grounds at 2:45 and return to the care of their parents.

**RVE Spirit Wear for Sale**

We have RVE hoodies ($25), t-shirts ($10), beanie toques ($15) and pom-pom toques ($20) for sale. All profits go to the RVE PAC. Please see the office staff to purchase these items.

**School and Field Trip Fees Online**

Parents, would you love to skip that early morning rush to find some loose change to pay for your child’s fieldtrip that was due yesterday? Sign up for School Cash Online; you can use your credit card or the eCheck option for payments. Follow the red “Pay School Fees Online 2016-17” link on the school website to register for this option, or click [here](https://centralokanagan.schoolcashonline.com/), and cut back on that early morning stress**.**

**This Week**

Mon, Apr 10 Shoe Drive

Tue, Apr 11 Preston/Meier Westbank and Sncewips Museum 9-11:30am

**T**hurs, Apr 13 Author Lee Edward Fodi, Intermediates 12:15-1:30, Primary 1:45-2:30

Thurs, Apr 13 ELFF (Early Learning for Families) 5-6:30pm

Fri, Apr 14 Good Friday (schools closed)

**Planning Ahead**

Mon, Apr 17 Easter Monday (schools closed)

Mon, Apr 18 Shoe Drive (last week)

Tue, Apr 18 Grade 3 Field Trip to Kelowna Museum 9:00am-12:30pm

Tue, Apr 18 Gr. 6 Transition Meeting

Thur. Apr 20 Battle of the Books Zone Competition @Chute Lake

Fri, Apr 21 School Speech Competition 9:00am in the gym

Fri, Apr 21 Class & Group Pictures

Mon, Apr 24 Warkotsch/Nordquist Westbank and Sncewips Museum 9-11:30am

Tues, Apr 25 PAC Meeting 6:30

Fri, Apr 28 Cultural Performance: Shakua S'Aida

Tues, May 2 Rotary Speech Finals 6:30 pm GES Creekside Theatre

Wed, May 4 Grade 6 Middle School Visit and Tour 9:10am-11:45am

Fri, May 5 Westside Cross Country Run

Mon, May 8 Gr. 6 Parent Evening and Open House (more details to follow)

Tues, May 9 Elections 6:00 am-11:00 pm

Tue, May 16 Lunching with the Law

Wed, May 17 RVE Apple Bowl, PAC Annual General Meeting 6:30

Thu May 18 Gr. 6 Backpacker Visit (current Gr. 7's visit feeder school)

Fri, May 19 Non Instructional Day for revised curriculum implementation

Mon, May 22 Victoria Day (schools closed)

Fri, May 26 Spring Carnival

Wed, Jun 7 Silver Strings Ukulele Band @1:45pm

Thurs, Jun 8 Cultural Performance: Milton Randall

Wed, Jun 14 PAC Meeting 6:30

Mon, Jun 26 Gr 6 Camp Owaisii 8AM departure

Wed, Jun 28 Gr 6 Camp Owaisii 1:30PM return

Thu, Jun 29 Last day of school for students (report cards go home)

Fri, Jun 30 Administrative Day (no students)