

<u>Strawberry Vale Happenings for October 24th to October</u> <u>28th</u>

Monday, October 24th

- Soccer practice at noon
- Cross Country finals starting at 1:00 pm at Beacon Hill Park

Tuesday, October 25th

Wednesday, October 26th

- Photo retakes starting at 9:00 am in the gym
- Soccer practice at noon
- Swim Club starts today 3:15-4:00 at the Common Wealth pool for grades 3 to 5 There is still room to join in on the fun form is attached!

Thursday, October 27th

- Choir at noon
- Soccer Jamboree at Beckwith Park starting at 12:30

Friday, October 28th

• Happy Friday!

Retake Picture Day is coming! Mark your Calendar for our School Picture Retake Day on Wednesday, October 26, 2016

Your Picture Retake Day is coming! Get a second chance to capture the perfect image.

Didn't love your picture? Simply return your Proof Portrait Sheet and Order Form to the Photographer on retake day.

For Tips on preparing for photo day visit <u>www.lifetouch.ca</u> Questions call Lifetouch at <u>1-866-457-8212</u> or email: <u>guestservices@lifetouch.ca</u>

OUR NEXT SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS QUICKLY APPROACHING ON NOVEMBER 3-8!

Our first Scholastic Book Fair of the year is quickly approaching! The fair will run from Thursday, November 3rd until Tuesday, November 8th.

We are almost finished finding volunteers, but we still need a few more for after school on Friday and Monday! If you wish to volunteer, please visit our Signup Genius webpage at:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4cada928a2f58-scholastic

We are also trying a new feature we call "Book Bucks" as a service to families and students. They will be available for purchase by contacting Lisa Teschke at 250.381.5463 or at <u>lisa.and.the.trio@gmail.com</u>. Book Bucks will also be available for purchase at the book fair and at the school (hours TBA) prior to the book fair.

Book Bucks are <u>prepaid gift certificates</u> to be used during our Scholastic book fairs

- Book bucks are convenient for parents because:
- Safer than sending cash with your child as each book buck will be customized to ensure ownership and as insurance against loss.
- Dollar value remaining after an incomplete sale will be marked and carried over for any future purchase at a Scholastic book fair during this school year.
- They make excellent gifts for students, teachers, friends and family. Everyone is welcome at our book fair!
- Book bucks will be available in \$5, \$10 and \$20 denominations.
- Perfect for donating book money directly to your child's classroom; bookplate stickers are still available.
- Book Bucks can be purchased with cash or cheque (made out to the Strawberry Vale PAC)

SWIM CLUB: We will be starting Swim Club again on Wednesday, October 26th, from 3:15 - 4:00. Mrs. Marley will be holding an informational meeting next week (the registration form is attached to this e-bulletin). This club is open to students in Grades 3, 4, and 5 that are able to independently swim 25m without needing to touch the side of the pool. Families will need to make their own transportation arrangements to and from Commonwealth Pool. We will be having 13 swimming lessons through Island Swimming and students have the opportunity to enter two or three swim meets. We look forward to seeing you at the pool!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS: Our Entertainment Book fundraiser campaign officially ended on **October 4, 2016.** After reviewing our records, it appears that we still have 21 outstanding sample books or student order envelopes with payment that have NOT been returned. **Please** return the sample book (if not sold) or the money for your book to the school with your child or in person, so that

we can finalize the profits from the fundraiser and finish up. Any lost or unpaid books will come out of the profits for our fundraiser. Thank you for your help and support.

THRIFTY FOODS SMILE CARDS: The SVE PAC has been approved for the 2016-17 school year to take part in the Thrifty's Smile Card fundraiser. For every purchase made with a SVE Thrifty's Smile Card, 5% comes back to the school to a maximum of \$1,500. Last year we earned \$1,400 and with that money we purchased iPads for the school. As in past years, we will use the money raised this year to purchase iPads for student use in the classrooms. Your card from previous years can still be used and new cards can be picked-up from the school office. The cards make great gifts for friends and family members. Please load up your cards and get shopping!

FOOD BANK DRIVE: We will be holding our first food bank drive of the year next week (October 24 - 28). We are collecting '*foods that kids love to eat'*. Division 4 will be coming around to classes each day to collect donations. There will be a box in the office should you wish to leave a cash donation for the food bank. Thank you for your generosity in helping families in our community.

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO ORDER EMERGENCY

PREPAREDNESS KITS: Thanks to the many families who stopped by the display table and picked up order

forms for emergency kits during Parent/Teacher conferences this week.



Please return your completed order forms to the office by Friday October 28th!

There are information sheets and order forms in the office if you didn't get a chance to stop by. In addition to the great kits offered by <u>St. John's Ambulance</u> for your home, car or outdoor activities, we are also being offered a special discount by local emergency preparedness company <u>Total Prepare</u>. Information and order forms are available in the office, or visit their website and use the code StrawberryVale2016 to order online.

For more information please contact Moira Chambers moiandcraig@gmail.com



<u>1000X5 Books Part of</u> <u>October Fun</u>

As you prepare for the end of the month celebrations with fun costumes and food, can you find a minute to locate 3 gently used books for babies and toddlers and drop them off in the pink bin in the hallway by the school office? These books will entertain and enrich wee ones long after the October

fun has ended.

We have collected 112,000 books in 5.5 years!!

Child Alert: Please let the school know if your child is going to be late or away from school...... This saves our office staff, parent volunteers and teachers valuable time. **Child Alert 250-479-5322 or e-mail:** <u>alert32@sd61.bc.ca</u>

Strawberry Vale Elementary Daily Times	
School Starts	8:40 am
Recess	10:22-10:42 am
Lunch Playtime	11:50 am - 12:20 pm
Lunch Eating	12:20-12:45 pm
Dismissal	2:48 pm

Upcoming Important Dates: October 2016

Oct. 26 Photo Retakes Oct. 31 Black and Orange Day

November 2016

Nov. 3-8 Scholastic Book Fair

Nov. 6 Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov. 9 6:30 pm PAC Meeting in the staff lounge
Nov. 10 10:30 Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov. 11 Schools closed for Remembrance Day
Nov. 18 Schools closed: Professional Development Day
Nov. 25 Crazy Hair Day/Qoola Day/Report Cards Home
Nov. 28-Dec 9 Toonies for Tanzania

December 2016 No PAC Meeting this month.

Dec. 8 Winter Concert 7:00 pm Dec. 9 Toonies for Tanzania ends Dec. 12-16 8:30 am Caroling in the Halls Dec. 16 Red & Green Day/Whole School Movie December 19-January 2: Schools Closed for Winter Break