



Guthrie School

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Welcome to Kindergarten! Guthrie School September 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians,
I am looking forward to a wonderful year in kindergarten!

The plastic envelope this letter is in, is your child's agenda. They will bring it home at the end of kindergarten each day and then will bring it back to school the next day and put it in the agenda basket. I will send notes, calendar, permission slips in it and you may write notes back as needed. Attached to this note is also the September calendar-I have included some important dates for the month.

Introduction to School-In September, we take the time to learn positive school routines and behavior in order to make our classroom a successful learning environment. We will get to know our classmates, learn to follow rules and routines such as putting up our hand, walking in a line in the hall, sharing and classroom and playground safety. We will model positive behavior for the students and will be on the lookout for Gold Star behavior!

Themes for the Month

Colour Unit-We will be learning about Pete the Cat, Elmer the Elephant and doing a Brown Bear puppet show. We will graph our favourite colours and read a chart with colour sentences.

Animated Literacy: We will also start of Letter of the Week program-this month we will learn Pp, Uu and Oo-then we can already spell three words-up and pup and pop!

Classroom Snack-

Students have a 15 minute snack time each day. Each student needs to bring one or two small snacks and a drink (a water bottle is fine). Guthrie School is peanut and nut sensitive-we encourage you to send nut and peanut free snacks with your child.

Important Dates:

Thursday, September 7th- First Regular Day of Kindergarten-

A.M. Class-8:50-11:30 a.m.

P.M. Class-12:35-3:15 p.m.

**{Please note the outside classroom door opens 10 minutes before class to allow your child time to get ready. Please wait outside until the teacher opens the door-thanks!)

Wednesday, September 13th-Pajama Day (your child may wear their pajamas to school to celebrate Pp week! If they are wearing a nightgown please put on shorts underneath!)

Thursday, September 14thth-Meet the Staff (in gym)

Kindergarten Parent Information Night- (in kindergarten classroom)

We will be having a brief meeting to choose a Parent Council and discuss kindergarten events.

Friday, September 15th-No School (Staff Meeting/P.D. Day)

Friday, September 22nd Pup Day-if your child has a **stuffed** puppy or dog they can bring it to school-we will be doing some sorting activities. (if you don't have a stuffed puppy, you may bring in another stuffed animal)

Safety City Field Trip

Each class will have the opportunity to attend the Safety City program at the Kiwanis Safety City site.

Monday, September 18th-A.M. class has regular school

P.M. class-field trip-12:15-3:15 p.m.

Monday, September 25th-Switch Day

P.M. class come during morning time-8:50-11:30 a.m.

A.M. class-field trip in afternoon-12:15-3:15 p.m.

Sorry for the switch day! We combine or switch times about three times throughout the year to accommodate field trip times. Thanks for your understanding.

Upcoming Events

Show and Tell-We start the Show and Tell program in October. A calendar will be sent home with your child's sharing date indicated on it.

I think that is it for now-please send a note, call the school or email me at wendy.williams@sturgeon.ab.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

*Thank you,
Miss Williams*