

# Penfield Elementary School—Home of the Flyers September 2022



Dear Penfield Families,

What beautiful weather we have had for our back to school this year. It has been so wonderful to welcome our families back to Penfield and to meet and reconnect with everyone. Thank you so much to our students, parents and staff for the kind, positive and respectful return to school. So much time and energy go into getting ready for back to school and everyone's thoughtful preparation is very much appreciated.

Your child is now in the new class for the 2022-2023 school year. Class creation is a very thoughtful process with staff working tirelessly to ensure that your child has the best learning opportunities for the upcoming school year. Each class has been carefully thought out and a huge thank you to teachers for the care and respect you show during this process. The beginning of the school year brings exciting change, and it can take time for everyone to settle into their new placement. We are all here to support each child's growth in their learning journeys, socially, emotionally, and academically.

In addition to your child's teacher, there is a strong support team within the school and district including the following: Learning Support Teacher, Educational Assistants, Indigenous Educational Assistant, District Indigenous Youth Care Worker, and School Based Team (Inclusion Support Teacher, Elementary Counselor, Behaviour Resource Team, Speech and Language, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Hearing Resource Teacher and Vision Teacher). We are always grateful to our support team and look forward to seeing them in the halls this year.

As we walk through the halls, it is so exciting to see and hear the excitement from our students. It is reassuring to know that our students all have trusted adults to support their growth and learning. Please know that we all work as a team to create a positive and engaging learning environment for everyone. As an administrative team, Mrs. Gage and Mrs. Krell are available to discuss your child's successes and support in any way we can.

Welcome back to all our Penfield Community and we look forward to an exciting year of learning adventures.

Sincerely,

Jolene Krell and Kelly Gage



## BELL SCHEDULE

8:45am *Class Begins*

2:30pm - *Dismissal*

## Terry Fox Run: Friday, September 23rd

Penfield will be holding the Terry Fox Run on September 23rd. If you can, please send in a "Toonie for Terry" to your child's teacher.

### Morning Arrival

Please note that morning supervision begins at 8:30 am. Please do not drop students off before 8:30 as there will be no adult supervision.

Students will continue to enter and exit through exterior classroom doors

Thank you for your support!

## Friday, September 30th Truth and Reconciliation Day

September 30th is a Statutory holiday for all provincial public sector employees, including public school districts to honour truth and reconciliation. The Campbell River School District and schools will be closed on September 30th to observe this day of reflection

## PENFIELD STAFF LIST 2022/2023

### Office:

Jolene Krell	Principal
Kelly Gage	Vice Principal
Kristi Munro	Admin. Assistant

Julie Panziera	Grade 4/5
Geoff Johnston	Grade 4/5
Diana Heyd	Grade 4/5
Kelly Gage	Grade 4/5

Marlo Romagnoli	Grade 3
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Sarah Zumkeller/ Candace Nixon	Grade 3-4
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Danica Farrell	Grade 2-3
Allison McKinnon	Grade 2-3
Jennifer Sheiles	Grade 1-2

Chelsea Badger/ Sarah Zumkeller Jody Tavares	Grade 1 Grade 1
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Juliet Stewart	Kindergarten
Jenny Allan	Kindergarten

Chelsea Badger	Teacher Prep.
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Jennifer Tyre	LST Teacher
Ryan Haines	Librarian
Alanna Stewart	Library Clerk
Lesley How	Music Teacher
Joanne Conall	Custodian
Candace Masson	EA
Karen Somerville	EA
Juli Winstanley	EA
Gayle Hartling	EA
Sheila Smith	EA
Cyndi Hart	EA
Cathy Harms	EA
Krista Stobart	EA
Tammy Lefebvre	Student Supervisor

## STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Please make every effort to ensure that students arrive to school on time. Classes begin for all students at 8:45am.

If students arrive after the bell, please have them check in at the office before proceeding to class as they will have been marked absent.

### REPORTING LATES/ABSENCES

If your child will be absent or late please phone the office at 250-923-4251 or email [penfield@sd72.bc.ca](mailto:penfield@sd72.bc.ca) to report the late/absence. Please include a reason for the absence (ie: illness, vacation, appointment). If your child is absent and we have not received a report from the family, the school will call home for a check in.

## MEDICAL

If your child has any medical concerns, or is on daily medication, please ensure that all information is updated with the school as soon as possible. If you need to keep medication at the school for a student a Request for Administration of Medication form must be completed. The forms are only valid for the current school year, and must be updated on a yearly basis.

For students who had medical forms last year, we will be sending home a new set of forms for completion for the current school year. Please watch backpacks for these coming home.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To the following Penfield students who have September birthdays

Felix A	Natalie B	Declan B	Lochlan B
Halen C	Kai D	Adelina F	Avery F
Sophia F	Milabell H	Jaiden H	Kaia J
Abby L	Olivia L	Fiona LM	Rosalyn LM
Logan L	Priya M	Madeline M	Kessa M
Alden NB	Lucas NB	Brea P	Lola P
Arwen R	Jase T		
Benjamin T	Jack W		



## Library News

Welcome back to books!!

Mr. Haines will be in the library Monday to Friday, and Ms. Stewart, our library clerk, will be here every few weeks throughout the year.

Books can be signed out for up to one week and then brought back to the library for return or renewal. Students will have a scheduled visit to the library once a week and also will be able to exchange books daily, if needed. Students can sign out up to their grade amount of books (K/1 – one book, grade 2 – two books etc.)

There are no “late fees” for overdue school library books. If you find any past-due books at home, please return them (All summer reading books should be returned by now). We are very happy to have them back, thank you.

Looking forward to a great year of reading!!



## PAPERWORK COMING HOME

With school start-up each year comes a lot of paperwork to confirm and update our records. Please watch for the following forms to be sent home with your child in the coming weeks:

- Student Verification & Contact
- District Information Systems Acceptable Use Agreement
- Student FIPPA / Personal Information Consent Form
- Emergency Release Form

We appreciate you taking the time to carefully review, complete and sign these forms and return them promptly to your child's teacher.

### **VERIFICATION FORM**

We will be sending home a personal Student Information Verification Form and Contact sheet with students. Please:

- Carefully review all information on the form
- Make any required changes in blue or red pen
- Write clearly for ease of input
- If there are no changes, write "NO CHANGES"
- **SIGN & DATE** at the bottom of page 2 and;
- Return the form to your child's teacher as soon as possible

### **PAC NEWS**

FIRST PAC MEETING: September 20th

TIME: 6:00PM

LOCATION: Penfield Library

All are welcome!!

Reminder, you don't have to be active in meetings to be a part of PAC, EVERY parent of a child who attends Penfield Elementary is already a PAC member. Any and all volunteer support is appreciated. No expectations, just anything that can add to the fun for our students, and help support our teachers in any way we can. Once we have our first meeting we'll update who is on our "Executive" so everyone is aware.

Should you wish to follow our comings and goings, there is a Facebook Page (Penfield Elementary PAC group!), or you can contact us via email at [penfieldpac@gmail.com](mailto:penfieldpac@gmail.com).



## After School Arrangements

It is not always easy to track students down during the day to deliver messages as they are often outside, on neighbourhood walks, in the music portable etc. We understand that there are times that plans change last minute and these requests are necessary.

Please whenever possible, ensure your child is certain of their after school arrangements before leaving home each day to eliminate worrisome situations.

## WATER BOTTLES

Students are to bring their own reusable water bottle from home each day.

The refillable water fountains are available for students .

The school does not have water bottles to provide to students



## No Microwave for Student Use

Please note that there is no microwave use allowed by or for students at school. If your child wishes to have a hot lunch at school please send it to school with them in a thermos.

Please also remember to send utensils if required as the school does not have these on hand.  
Thank you



## WILD SCHOOLS PROGRAM

This year, Penfield is excited to be participating in the Wild Schools program. This program is focused on hands-on environmental learning and experiences to engage learners through a process of **Wondering, Inquiring, Learning and Doing** - being **WILD!**





# PHOTO DAY IS COMING SEPT 20

Penfield Elementary

[WWW.ISLANDLIFEPHOTOGRAPHICS.CA](http://WWW.ISLANDLIFEPHOTOGRAPHICS.CA)

778 420 2833



Hello Penfield Elementary!

We look forward to seeing you on 09/20/2022!

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

Retake Day - 10/07/2022

Order Deadline for School Delivery - 10/08/2022



# September 2022

Mon

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Fri

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5	6 <b>Back to School</b>	7	8	9
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19	20 <b>PICTURE DAY</b> <i>PAC Meeting</i>	21	22	23 <b>Terry Fox Run</b>
26	27	28	29	30 <b>Schools Closed</b> <i>Truth &amp; Reconciliation Day</i>



Upcoming Dates:

- October 7—Photo Retake Day
- October 10—Thanksgiving Monday (no School)
- October 21—No School (Professional Development Day)





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**Student Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA)  
FAIR NOTICE FOR PARENT COMMUNITY**

***What Parents and Students Need to Know***

- any threat must be reported to the school principal
- investigation may involve the student services counselor, the police or other community agencies
- investigation may involve locker or personal property searches
- interviews will be held with the threat maker and other students or adults who may have information about the threat
- parents of students who are directly involved will be notified
- threatening behaviour may result in disciplinary action
- an intervention plan may be developed for the student making the threat and a support plan developed for any individuals targeted by threats

**What is a threat?**

- an expression of intent to do harm or act out violently against someone or something
- may be verbal, written, drawn, posted on the Internet or made by gesture.

**Duty to report**

To keep school communities safe and caring, staff, parents/guardians/caregivers, students and community members must report all threat-related behaviours to the school principal.

**What is the purpose of a student threat assessment?**

The purposes of a student threat assessment are:

- to ensure and promote the emotional and physical safety of students, staff, parents, the student making the threat, and others
- to ensure a full understanding of the context of the threat
- to understand the factors contributing to the threat maker's behaviour
- to be proactive in developing an intervention plan that addresses the emotional and physical safety of the threat maker
- to promote the emotional and physical safety of all.

**What behaviours warrant a Student Violence Threat Risk Assessment to be initiated?**

A student threat assessment will be initiated for behaviours including, but are not limited to

- serious violence or violence with intent to harm or kill
- verbal/written threats to harm/kill others (clear, direct, and plausible)
- online threats to harm/kill others
- possession of weapons (including replicas)
- bomb threats (making and/or detonating explosive devices)
- fire starting
- sexual intimidation or assault
- gang related intimidation and violence.

**Collection Notice**

The School District is subject to personal information privacy laws, and will undertake the collection of this information in compliance with the requirements of such laws, including by limiting collection to information that is relevant and necessary to address a risk or threat and by ensuring that information is collected from online source is only obtained from open source sites. The School District will not collect information as part of a threat assessment unless there is reason to believe that a risk exists. Information collected as part of a threat assessment may be provided to law enforcement authorities in appropriate circumstances.

Sincerely,



Jolene Krell  
Principal, Penfield Elementary  
School District 72

# School District 72 Campbell River

## 2022/2023 CALENDAR

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September 1 - Pro-d Day  
 September 5: Labour Day  
**September 6: School Opens**  
 September 30: Schools Closed - Truth and Reconciliation Day  
 October 10: School Closed - Thanksgiving  
 October 21: Non Instructional - Provincial Pro-d

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November 1: Non Instructional  
 November 11: Schools Closed-Remembrance Day

**November 24: Student Led Conference/  
 Parent Teacher Interview Day  
 Schools are not in regular session  
 Students only in attendance during conference time**

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December 19 - January 2: Winter Break

February 17: Non Instructional Day  
 February 20: Schools Closed - Family Day

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March 6: Non Instructional

**March 15: Student Led Conference/  
 Parent Teacher Interview Day  
 Schools are not in regular session  
 Students only in attendance during conference time**

March 27 - April 10 - Spring Break

April 7: Good Friday

April 10: Easter Monday

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May 22: Schools Closed - Victoria Day

June 30: Schools Closed - Administration Day

Instructional Non-Instructional Vacation Period Statutory Holiday

