



MAY 2020

Principal's Message

A HUGE hello to you all, and sincerely hope you are well, remaining positive, and finding some joy in everyday life during this challenging situation. Our staff is working incredibly hard at this time to provide the best quality education for our students, and we truly appreciate all your efforts as partners in this critically important work. Our provincial health officials are also doing their very best to make sure our students are safe, and continue to provide direction for School Districts regarding students returning to classrooms. We are all looking forward the day when classes will resume – seeing the smiling, energetic faces at desks and tables - and until that time we wish you all the best. Take care, and hope to see you all soon.

Welcome to Kindergarten



We will be doing things a little differently for our Kindergarten families this year! Sometime before FRIDAY MAY 29th, a Welcome to Kindergarten package will be delivered to all students who have registered in Kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year. This package will contain – amongst other items – a link to a slideshow/video outlining some important information about BEST, pictures of our staff, and loads of fun Pre-K items! Welcome to our new Kindergarten students; we are very excited to have you attending BEST in the fall!

Class Placements 2020–2021

The organizing of students for the upcoming school year is a thoughtful and complex process. Many factors are considered when placing each child in his or her classroom for the 2020-2021 school year. Parents who wish to provide input regarding the instructional needs of their child(ren) must provide this input to the Principal – Mr. Law - **in writing** no later than **FRIDAY MAY 22nd**. Parental preference for children is one of many factors we take into consideration, and as such can not always be accommodated. Also, please observe the **MAY 22nd** deadline, after this time – at our school – classes will have been made up, and making changes is most often not possible.

Request by mail:

Bert Edwards Science and Technology School
711 Windsor Avenue, Kamloops, B.C. V2B2B7

Request by email:

Send to flaw@sd73.bc.ca

After School Programs – Movement and Art!

The Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture has decided that we will continue to offer after-school programming! As such, a website has been created and each week new online movement and art sessions will be shared:

www.sd73afterschoolprograms.com

A Facebook page has been set up for parents who prefer Facebook to a website:

<https://www.facebook.com/sd73afterschoolprogram/s/>

PBIS Update – Silver Linings

Hello students and Families! Despite being away from school at this time, our PBIS committee is still hard at work and meeting via ZOOM. Our primary focuses over the last little while have been changes to our BEST Behavior Matrix (Coming home soon!), and developing areas of focus for students when we all return to classes.

Knowing these are unusual times, with plenty of questions and challenging situations for students, our staff is developing a virtual assembly – much like the “Real” ones we have at school! - for students and their parents reminding them of all the good and positive we all have in our lives; many of these “Silver Linings” are often simple things that we often take for granted. The PBIS Committee hopes to have this virtual assembly ready for student viewing very soon.



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