



Ridgeway At Cloverley Site

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At Ridgeway we encourage a cooperative link between home, school and community

- To value social responsibility and cultural diversity
- To achieve our highest potential
- To promote life long learning

Newsletter #1 – September 7, 2010

Welcome back to the new school year!

Whether you are returning to Ridgeway or are coming for the first time, we would like to welcome you to our school. We are looking forward to the school year and have been getting ready for a great start. On Tuesday and Wednesday morning this week, Mrs. Burlone will be at the Ridgeway annex for the beginning of the school year while Mrs. Orr will be at the Ridgeway/Cloverley site. They will be both at the Cloverley site for the rest of the week.

Wednesday, September 8, 2010

School is in full session

8:45 a.m. – 2:50 p.m.

Students proceed to their new classes at 8:45.

Class lists and school maps will be posted in the following location:

- Main Building – on the west wall by the doors facing the parking lot
- Main building – on bulletin boards on lower floor by Kids Club
- Main building – on north facing wall at the bottom of the stairs leading from Cloverley street
- Demountable – on the west facing wall

Staffing updates

Many of you are already familiar with most of the staff but we would like to introduce new and returning staff members to the Ridgeway team this year. Welcome to the following staff member joining the Ridgeway Team:

- Mrs Patti Dale – Special Education Aide
- Ms Paus- Special Education Aide
- Mrs. Baxter- Administrative Assistant
- Mr. Streat – Learning Support Teacher
- Ms. Grant – First Nations Support Worker

Travelling to the school

Mrs. Lina Fazio, a Ridgeway staff member, will be leading the walking school bus which will meet at 8:10 on the corner of Moody and 8th by the former Ridgeway main school. Although she is leading the walking school bus we would appreciate parents walking with her as we do not know how many students will be walking with her at this time. If you would like to volunteer, please let us know by dropping by the office, or phoning us.



If you are driving your child to school, please make sure you follow the flow of traffic map attached with this notice and make sure you only use the drop off zones. These drop off zones are not parking areas. Please do not drop off your child in the parking lot. Stairs are available from both Cloverley and Shavington streets near the drop off zone.



School Hours

Starting Wednesday, September 8, school will be in full session from 8:45 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. Recess is from 10:20 to 10:40 and lunch 12:00 to 12:45. At Ridgeway students play first from 12:00 to 12:25 and come in to eat until 12:45.

Student Pick up

If you are picking up your child after school, please take the time to set up an outside-designated spot to meet with them. This will greatly help to establish a calm and orderly end to the school day. It will also help teachers to set up routines and expectations for students leaving the building.

Important dates

Please mark your calendars with the following important dates:

Monday, September 13	Hot lunch Program begins
Wednesday, September 22	Open House – 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
Monday, September 27	School Based Pro D/ school not in session
Thursday, September 30	Terry Fox Run/Family Dance

Forms

If your child did not receive their comfort kit in June they will be bringing it home today. Your child will also be bringing home the following forms on Tuesday, September 7, 2010:

- Last year's comfort kit from class (if not already home in June)
- New comfort kit notice
- Student Emergency Forms
- Freedom of Information release form
- Internet guidelines
- Impromptu Walking Field Trip

Please return the completed forms to your child's new teacher by Monday, September 13, 2010.

Agendas for grade 1 to 7

As a service, we offer a school specific student planner for \$7.00. The option remains, however for students to provide their own generic planner.

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8:45 – 10:20 a.m.
10:20 – 10:40 a.m. (Recess)
10:40 – 12:00 p.m.
12:00 – 12:45 p.m. (Lunch)
12:45 – 2:50 p.m.

Bells

8:45 a.m. – Begin Morning Session
10:40 a.m. – End of Recess
12:25 p.m. – Begin to Eat Lunch
12:45 p.m. – Begin Afternoon Session

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Grade 4 Big House (\$95.00)

October 25 – 26, 2010

June 2 – 3, 2010

Grade 6 Outdoor School (\$250.00)

November 1 – 5, 2010

Grade 2 Primary Outdoor School (\$140.00)

January 24 – 26, 2011
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