

École Centennial Park Elementary School

Reminders for the week of: October 16 - October 20

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	EARLY DISMISSAL at 12:05pm! Family/Teacher conferences in afternoon and evening (4-7pm)
Thursday	EARLY DISMISSAL at 12:05pm! Family/Teacher conferences in afternoon
Friday	Professional Development Day (no school for students)
	Click on the link to our school website NewsHub for detailed information about our school: https://centennialpark.abbyschools.ca/hub
Upcoming Dates to Note	October 24 – PAC Halloween dance! October 25 – Individual picture retakes October 31 – Halloween! November 10 - Professional Development Day (no school for students) November 13 – Remembrance Day off in lieu (no school) November 14 – PAC Christmas Market

Our Week!

It has been another busy week! This week we had our very own pumpkin patch in our courtyard (thanks, Mrs. Johnson, Mme Algard, and Mme Petrie for going to get the pumpkins!). Students are learning all kinds of things with their pumpkins: art, science, and the fact that a huge pumpkin is HEAVY! And in Mme Lafresnaye's class, they were learning about the eclipse that is happening on Saturday. I'm hoping





to catch a glimpse of it myself (very carefully!) but if not, this demonstration by the boys in the picture is pretty awesome!

Staffing Update

It was with great joy that I was able to email division 2 and division 4 families this week to let them know that we have "their" teachers starting! Mrs. Limpright will be joining division 2 on Monday, October 23rd, and Ms. Lebreton was able to start with division 4 today. Hooray!

We also have had a number of education assistants join us this year, and I'm thrilled to welcome Ms. Veerpal Dhillon Sidhu, Ms. Jenna Merrill, Ms. Shannon Mackie, Ms. Jaspreet Mangat, Ms. Susheta Bhalla, and Ms. Harpreet Kaur to our team. We're so glad to have you as part of the CPark team!

Family-Teacher Conferences

Our family-teacher conferences (since not all of our grown-ups are "parents"!) are coming up next week! On Wednesday, October 18th and Thursday, October 19th, we will be dismissing at 12:05pm. That allows families to book in with their child's teacher to meet and chat about how things are going so far, and what we should know from you (the expert on your child!) about them. We are also offering evening times on Wednesday, October 18th, from 4:00-7:00pm. Please look for communication from your child's teacher about booking times. (And our very sincere hope is that we will have teachers for our two remaining classes by then!!).

Outside Playtime

The rain has come! Please remember to send your child with a rain jacket, rain footwear (boots, shoes that can get wet, etc), and warm enough clothing. We will be going outside every recess unless the weather is really bad...we know that it is so important for our students – and ourselves! – to get fresh air and exercise, even if it is wet and cold outside. It would also be really helpful for you to send an extra change of clothes in their backpacks, in case they get



wet! That might save you a trip to the school to come to the rescue if they fall in a puddle. 😌

Garbage on the Playground

Please have a look around you after using the playground or field before/after school and on the weekends, to pick up any juice boxes, wrappers, or other items that may have fallen to the ground while your kidlets are playing. Before school started we had an amazing group of kids and families who helped clean up our school grounds, and we want to keep it clean and tidy! We work on that as well with our students – together we can keep our CPark school grounds looking amazing!



PAC News!



Forms to be signed on School Cash Online - Thank you to everyone who has done it already!

At this time of year there are always a variety of permission forms that need to be filled out and signed by families. To try and reduce some of our paper use, this year we have put a number of those forms online! All you need to do is log in to your School Cash Online account, and sign the forms. There is no cost at all – just a read and click process! Our hope is this makes your lives easier because you only need to send back one piece of paper – just the pink verification form that will come home today (Friday). Please check with us at the office if you have any questions!

Family Supports and Workshops

Being a parent or caregiver is the toughest job out there! Sometimes we need extra supports so that we can better help our struggling little ones (or not so little ones!). Whenever I get information about parent groups that are offered in our community, I'll be sure to pass them along to you. Please see the email I sent out on Thursday, September 28th with A LOT of information about resources! (email was from

Kari.Petzold@abbyschools.ca).

