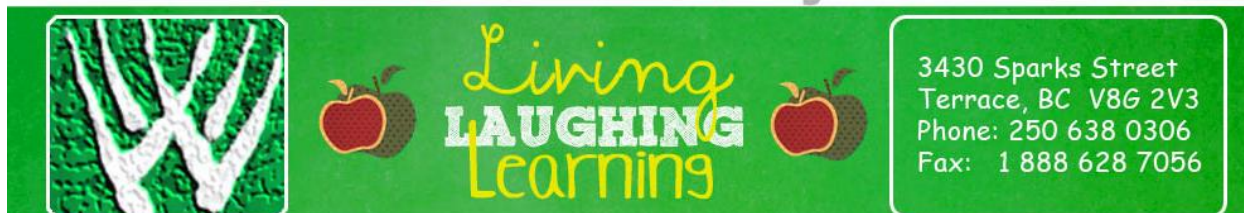


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Please check out our web page for dates and information: <http://suwilaawks.cmsd.bc.ca>

★ Upcoming Events

- September 20 - No School
Community Interaction Day
- September 25 - Open House 5 -6
- September 26 - Terry Fox Run 1:30
- MONDAY - September 30 - PICTURE DAY
- October 1 - PAC meeting in library 6:45pm

Welcome back to another exciting school year at Suwilaawks Community School.

“Living, Laughing and Learning”

We hope to work with your child to develop the areas they are passionate about and to support them in areas they find challenging. Finding ways to motivate and engage our students through fine arts, athletics, and academic development will make this a memorable year for our students. The staff, the students and the parents make our school a truly great place to be.

A few of the Suwilaawks' Happenings:

- We are continuing our Daily Physical Activity (DPA) each morning. We 'sweat' together every morning and it is an invigorating way to start the day. Remember if you are late arriving, check in at the office. **School begins at 9:00.**
- Some of our classes are participating in weekly “Academy” sessions where students select a topic they are curious or passionate about learning. Different Academy sessions will run throughout the year. Some of the popular Academies from last year include: pottery, orienteering, bowling, ‘chef school’, hockey, choir, origami, mask making, beading, scrapbooking, photography, boomwhackers, murals ... and many more
- New!!! Fine Dining Fridays: we believe that eating together promotes many important social skills and this year, each Friday, our students will have the opportunity to ‘dine’ at round tables – modeling and practicing manners, breaking bread together and most importantly sharing and showing the importance of eating together as a community.
- Afterschool Sports will start near the end of October. Forms will be sent home when we finalize details.
- New this year: After school fine arts. This program will also begin in October. Stay tuned for this exciting opportunity.
- Committed and targeted time for read alouds and silent reading. We are always looking for volunteers to read with and to our students. If you have 30 minutes a week to volunteer, please check in at the office to fill out our volunteer record check.
- You may see many staff and students wearing the green Suwilaawks' Wolverines t-shirts. We will continue to sell these t-shirts at the office. Check with Mrs. Haugland if you are interested. T-Shirts are \$20.00 each. Show your spirit.
- Breakfast club will begin at 8:30.
- Lunch program forms are available at the office. Nutritious lunches are offered for \$2.00 per day. If you are unable to pay at this time, we hope you will be able to donate time or donate food.
- Fruit and vegetables in the classrooms each day. **Donating fruits and vegetables is a great way to support our school.**
- Suwilaawks is composting!! In our quest to reduce, recycle and reuse, we have purchased two large composters. Each class will learn how composting works and how we can support our Suwilaawks Community School Garden.
- Sharing our talents. Students will have opportunities to showcase their talents throughout the year ... we also encourage any of our parents to come in and share your talents! If you are interested in singing, dancing or performing for us ... please let us know, we would love to have you share with our students.

Emergency numbers: We need to know where to contact you. Please make sure we have updated contact information.

Messages and phone calls for students: Please arrange afterschool care prior to dropping students at school.

Healthy Lunch Initiatives

In our effort to promote life-long healthy living habits, we strongly encourage parents to send healthy snacks and lunches. Water bottles are also encouraged as we know keeping our bodies hydrated is important for learning. Fast food, pop and sugary snacks should not be sent to school.

Visitors and Afterschool: Please check in with the office. Our mudrooms get quite congested. Thank you for arranging to meet your child outside the doors after school is dismissed. Classroom teachers will see children out the door each day. To help avoid confusion, please arrange for your child to meet siblings outside after dismissal.

Newsletters will be posted on our webpage. If you would like your newsletter emailed to you, please send a request to : pamela.kawinsky@cmsd.bc.ca.

Suwilaawks' Code of Conduct and School Growth Plan are posted on our webpage.

Child Away?: Phone 250 638 0306 and let us know.

OPEN HOUSE: Come and meet your child's teacher on September 25 from 5:00 to 6:00. Fruit smoothies will be served ☺

*****Attached are the STUDENT VERIFICATION FORMS. Please correct any information and return to the school by Tuesday, September 24. All students completing the form will be entered into a draw for a Suwilaawks Gift Basket.*****

Welcome Back!

Pam Kawinsky, Principal pamela.kawinsky@cmsd.bc.ca

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Master of Calm Energy

Official Suwilaawks Community School K-9 Role Model

❖ Ollie's specific role is to bring smiles, calmness and positive energy to our school.

❖ Our goal is for students to become calm, confident and caring in their interactions with both people and animals.

Ask about our "NO TOUCH, NO TALK, NO EYE CONTACT" approach