



École Élémentaire Casorso Elementary School

Weekly Howl – September 10th, 2021

250-870-5135

School Web Site – www.cas.sd23.bc.ca



We are so pleased to see our Casorso families back at school! A special welcome to those of you who are new to our community. We hope you enjoyed a happy and healthy summer. We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere “Thanks” to our staff who dedicated many extra hours preparing the school for a new year, and to our PAC Executive who are already hard at work supporting the school. We’re off to a great start!

*Jared Birkeland & Natalie Morin
Principal Vice-Principal*

DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES



With our COVID protocols in place, we are asking that all students arrive as close to 8:25 am as possible and leave the school grounds right away after 2:30 pm. Thank you for your cooperation.

Office Hours
8:00 am 3:15 pm



WEEK OF September 13th, 2021

MONDAY 13th

- **Nickels** for Terry Fox!

TUESDAY 14th

- **Dimes** for Terry Fox!

WEDNESDAY 15th

- **Quarters** for Terry Fox!

THURSDAY 16th

- **Loonies** for Terry Fox!

FRIDAY 17th

- **Toonies** for Terry Fox Run!
- 8:45 am - Terry Fox Run!



Our office is open during these times. However, we are currently a closed campus. Please call the school to make an appointment to come in.



Dear Parents,

Our school will be participating in the annual **Terry Fox walk / run** in support of the **Canadian Cancer Society** next week, **Friday, September 17th**. Students will be discussing Terry Fox at 8:45 am prior to the walk / run. Students are encouraged to wear appropriate footwear for this activity.

In support of Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope fundraising campaign, the classes will be collecting donations all of next week, starting Monday September 17th. All proceeds will go to the Terry Fox Foundation. Once again, thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Laura Mireau - Bonnie Lachapelle - Kim Thompson

“CAS – Putting Our Paws Together To Make A Difference!”



IN SUPPORT OF BEING ON TIME

Our school places an emphasis on being on time. It is very helpful and adds success to each child's day when all students are seated by the second bell and classroom instruction can begin without interruption. Arriving on time sets up all of our students for success. Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation with this goal. If your child arrives late, please ensure that they report in at the Office before going to their classroom.

STUDENT VERIFICATION FORMS

Student Verification Forms were sent home with your child on Wednesday, September 8th. **PLEASE** review, make additions or changes, **sign**, and return to your child's teacher ASAP so that we have current emergency information for your child on file at school.



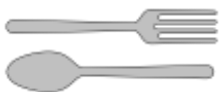
SCHOOL MESSENGER - SAFE ARRIVAL

Thank you to all of our families for using the *Student Absence Reporting System*. If you are new to our school, please visit www.sd23.bc.ca/SchoolMessenger to help you with the sign-up process and please contact the school if you have any concerns. Students **must** sign in at the office for late arrivals, even if you have entered the "Late" in School Messenger. *The same applies if students are leaving earlier than our regular 2:30 pm dismissal time – please check in at the office before leaving the building.* If your regular practice is to email the teacher for lates or absences, please continue this courtesy as they will not receive notification directly from School Messenger.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Central Okanagan Public Schools does not insure expenses for **student injuries** that occur on school grounds or during school activities. Parents and guardians can voluntarily purchase private accident insurance. The Kids Plus Accident Insurance Program that was previously offered to our students was discontinued in 2019. The IA Financial Group now offers the Family Accident Reimbursement Plan (FARP) which is a voluntary plan that provides coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. To apply for the Family Accident Reimbursement Plan or to find out more, visit <https://www.solutionsinsurance.com/aonbc>.

REMINDER: CUTLERY FOR LUNCHES



Parents, please remember to pack a spoon/fork with your child's lunch when it is required, as we are unable to provide utensils at school. Thank you!

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL NEWS

Website: <https://casorsofamilies.weebly.com/> Email: cas.pac@sd23.bc.ca

Welcome back to all the returnees at Casorso! Welcome to all the new members of the Casorso family!

Due to the federal election, we will be pushing our annual general meeting to **Tuesday, September 21st**, via Zoom. The online invitation will be in next week’s Howl. The AGM is the meeting where officers are elected, so please make every effort to attend.

The new drop-off zone on Casorso Road right next to the school grounds has been working well so far. A reminder that there are many students and staff riding their bikes to and from school. **Please DO NOT park over the bike lane.** This puts riders in unsafe and unpredictable situations.

Casorso PAC has a “return it” account at Columbia Bottle Depot, which is located at 1936 Kent Road in Kelowna. Bring your returnables in a clear, plastic bag and print a label using our PAC account to raise money for our school. The customer number is **86169** - the phone number is **250-870-5135**.



Nature’s Fare will rebate **3%** of all receipts it receives from the Casorso community to the PAC, and those receipts can be claimed virtually. Write ‘Casorso’ on your receipts and send pictures of them to staylor@naresfare.com.

PLEASE SEE BROCHURES BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR:

- 1. Symptoms of COVID-19 – **NEW** Daily Health Check Form

DAILY HEALTH CHECK

KEY SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	WHAT TO DO
Fever (above 38°C)	<p>If yes to 1 or more of these symptoms: Stay home and get a health assessment.</p> <p>Contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.</p>
Chills	
Cough	
Difficulty breathing	
Loss of sense of smell or taste	
OTHER SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
Sore throat	<p>If yes to 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better.</p>
Loss of appetite	
Headache	<p>If yes to 2 or more of these symptoms: Stay home for 24 hours.</p> <p>If symptoms don't get better or get worse, get a health assessment; contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.</p>
Body aches	
Extreme fatigue or tiredness	
Nausea and vomiting	
Diarrhea	
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL:	WHAT TO DO
Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	<p>If yes: All students and staff who have travelled outside of Canada are required to self-quarantine for 14 days after arrival under both provincial and federal orders.</p> <p>This includes students who are attending school from abroad. Students from outside of Canada should plan to arrive in Canada at least two weeks before they are scheduled to attend school to adhere to the self-quarantine orders. Additional information is available here.</p>
CLOSE CONTACT	WHAT TO DO
Have you been contacted by public health and notified that you are a close contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	<p>If yes: Please follow the instructions provided by Public Health.</p> <p>You can call 8-1-1 anytime to get advice about how you are feeling and what to do next. Pay attention to how you are feeling. If it becomes harder to breathe, you can't drink anything or feel much worse, seek urgent medical care at an urgent care clinic or emergency department.</p>

Check your symptoms with the [K-12 Health Check](#). If you have any questions, or the symptoms get worse, contact your healthcare provider, or call 8-1-1. For more information on COVID-19, please go to www.bccdc.ca. If you develop severe symptoms, such as difficulty breathing (e.g. struggling to breathe or speaking in single words) or chest pain, call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.