



September 5, 2008

Dear PA School Families,

Welcome (and welcome back) to Princess Alexandra School! We are off to a great start, and looking forward to a fabulous year of learning, growth and exciting opportunities. Here we are, on Opening Day 2008:



Meet the Teacher Night – Tuesday, September 9

Please join us this coming Tuesday for Meet the Teacher Night at PA School. We'll begin with introductions in the Gym, and then teachers & staff will be glad to speak with you in their rooms about the work that your children will be doing in class this year. We hope to see you here!

Exploratories

Exploratories (PA's signature enrichment program) begin on Friday, September 19. The first set of Exploratories will include such great activities as bowling, Japanese, moosehide masks, outdoor education, scrapbooking, yoga, and more!

Indoor Shoes

All students must have a set of indoor shoes that they can change into for the school day. This is an important safety precaution—please make sure that your child has footwear to wear *to* school, and footwear to be worn *in* school.

Hurray for the New Field!

Thanks to the vision and persistence of Mr. Chuck Lirette, the PA playing fields now have a new drainage system and a new sod surface. The fields will be terrific once the sod has “taken,” but until then we need to stay off the fields to give the grass a chance. Here’s what the work looked like when the crew was laying the sod:



No Child Without

Our school is involved in the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation’s No Child Without program. There is no cost for PA students up to their 14th birthday to join MedicAlert through this program. If your child has a medical condition or allergy, or is required to take medication on a regular basis, then you should consider this program. A child’s MedicAlert identification can alert school staff, friends, coaches and others about your child’s medical condition should an emergency occur. Even if you choose not to participate in this program, please make sure that we know if your child has a medical condition or allergy that we should be aware of to ensure safety. And on that note:

Health Alerts and Peanut Allergies

This year we have several individuals (students and staff) with serious peanut allergies. Please avoid sending peanuts or using peanut butter when preparing your child’s lunch and snack, so that our school environment is safe for everyone.

Congratulations...

...to our first PAS-itive draw winners: **Keenan Lafferty** and **Brittany Tregidgo** in grade 7; **Skyler Constant** and **Sandy Roloson** in grade 6; **Jaymar Marzan** and **Daniel Melanson** in grade 5; and **Nathan Carter** and **Ian Fraser** in grade 4. Great job!

All PA’S in!

Sincerely,

Geoff Buerger
Principal