



Good morning Homelinks' families! For those of you that are new, we try to send out a weekly email with general information that pertains to most students. Your teacher might also send out individual emails but we are trying to be mindful of not bombarding you with too many emails.

Attached is a mini unit pertaining to our September 20th Federal Election that you might wish to include with your child's Social Studies. While it is geared for grades 5 - 9, it is a great read aloud for all students and has a tally sheet your family might wish to use to keep track of Monday's election results. Remember to vote!

We have had a small hiccup regarding Pine's Camp (September 27-29). New guidelines state we are only allowed 50 people, and that includes teachers and Pine's staff, so we had to make the very sad decision to only send the grade 8/9 and grade 10 cohorts. Because of this disappointment, teachers have been working hard to organize day fieldtrips for elementary students (pottery, Cranbrook train museum, Cranbrook climbing wall, Fort Steele, Fish Hatchery, Kimberley Underground Railway Mine, etc), as well as skiing and a big spring fieldtrip that would be for all grades.

Elementary classes start Friday October 1st and go from 9 am until noon. We are excited to see you! Bring a healthy snack and indoor runners, if possible. If you don't have them yet, don't worry. Wednesday 'Bring your work to school' starts the next week, October 6th and is also from 9 am until noon. Wear clothing appropriate for an outdoor recess and bring a healthy snack. Kristina Leidums will be organizing the popular Outdoor Ed Tuesday afternoon classes for grades K - 7 and will be send out information on the where, when, and what to bring. Outdoor Ed classes will start in October.

New to Homelinks this year is Christine Park. Welcome! She joins us for one day a week as our Aboriginal Education teacher. Christine previously worked at Yaqaan Nukiy School and is excited to join us and work with our families. Her email is Christine.park@sd8.bc.ca Feel free to contact her with any questions.

As you settle back into a school routine, we kindly ask that you bring us or email samples of your child's work, such as the first Math and Language Arts work. Please have your child put their name and September date on the first page of the work (you can do this for younger students). We need this to show that yes, your child is part of Homelinks and started in September. Thanks so much. We are happy to photocopy it if you don't wish to scan and email.

Have a great day and enjoy the sun!