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TURBO TALK

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Vauxhall Elementary School Newsletter

“Inspire Us and We Will Inspire Others”



School Council

Highlights from the October 25 School council meeting are as follows:

- 16 were in attendance
- The Alberta Government Accountability Pillar and PAT results of VES were shared. Overall the results were very good for our school. These were based on the questionnaires sent from Alberta Education to parents, students, and staff last February.
- The new Horizon School division report cards were shared and discussed. The report card is an outcomes based document and will be a somewhat different format than what parents have seen in the past. All Horizon Elementary Schools will be using the same document.
- The parent Advisory group would like to see all students receive a book at the book fair compliments of our School Council. This was one-way council thought they could support the love of reading at school and at home. Details on how the book purchase will go will be finalized through the school.
- Council also agreed to be one of our Turbo-Charger sponsors.
- Council will be again serving a Christmas Dinner. An organizing committee meeting has been set for November 8 at 3:30.
- Sarah Stamp, Tara Odland and Jennifer Wiebe volunteered to pick up the cookie dough from Rolling Hills on October 31.

Minutes of the meeting will be posted on the VES webpage.

The next meeting date has been set for Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00.

Upcoming Events

November 3 – Turbo Charger Assembly and team color day.

November 4 – Clothing and Toy Fest 1:00 -3:30 in the gym

November 11 – Remembrance Day, No school

November 9 -22 – Book Fair

November 15 – Report Cards

November 17 – Hot Lunch, Parent Teacher Interviews (3:30 – 8:30)

November 18 – Parent Teacher Interviews (8:30 – 12:00) No school

Lest We Forget -Remembrance Day Ceremony –Nov. 10 @ 10:45

A joint remembrance day ceremony between the Vauxhall Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, VES and VHS will be held on Nov. 10 with a starting time of 10:45 sharp. Our students will be performing a couple of songs under the direction of Ms. Barnes. Mark this date on your calendar as it is a very special event and an opportunity to pay respect for those that sacrificed for our freedom.



Athletics

Pumpkin Run – Our annual Pumpkin Run took place on October 14. Students had to estimate the time it would take them to run two laps. The students in each class running closest to their estimate were awarded a pumpkin. Pumpkins were also earned by those running the fastest times in each grade.



Volleyball – Our Tornado teams have wrapped up their season. The girls finished their season with games against our boys' team, Barnwell and St. Mary's. They played very well and ended the season with a victory over Barnwell and St. Mary's. Our boys did not have a lot of games as many schools did not have boys' teams at this level. However, the tournament they played in Taber showed them to be the strongest of all teams. Way to go both Tornado teams. Thanks go out to our coaches.

The Grade 5/6 Intramural Volleyball wrapped up with the Geckos coming away victorious in a hard fought battle with the Banana Splits in the championship game. Their team consisted of Abe Fehr, Mitchell Wesseling, Steven Penner, Carney Peters, Joanna park, Aganetha Thiessen, Maria Wiens and Kiera Van Hal.

Skating – Kindergarten have been skating this past two weeks and grade one and two will be starting in the middle of November. Throughout the year all classes will head to the rink for some skating fun. Thank you to the Town of Vauxhall for accommodating us with our ice time requests.

Turbo Twists

- Our grade 6 hosted a wonderful funhouse with a lot of great activities. The money raised will help to cover the costs of their field trip to Edmonton.
- We had some dental hygienists at our school to check the teeth of our K-2 students.
- Our climate teams got together to build Cardboard race cars which will be unveiled at our first assembly.
- The hot lunch committee served up a scrumptious grilled cheese and noodle soup lunch. Thanks.
- Welcome to our school Mrs. Marilyn Doerksen. She will be our librarian until the end of November.

Report Cards

Our first report cards will be sent home on November 15. This will be followed by parent teacher interviews on the evening of Nov. 17 and the morning of Nov. 18. Mrs. Locke will be sending home a notice with a scheduled time for interviews. Please make sure this returned for confirmation of attendance. If the time does not work phone the office and a more suitable time will be arranged.



