

September 20, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Welcome to a new school year. We are excited to be working with you and your child this year. Mrs. Frail is teaching the class on Mondays and Fridays and Miss. Morgan on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. We have a good group of children that seem excited to be at school. We are establishing routines and expectations. Grade Four can be an exciting year as there are many new opportunities for the children to participate in throughout the school. It is also a good time for them to practice good work habits which will help them be successful throughout their schooling. The children will be encouraged to make sure that their work is completed and that they have followed the directions.

Homework: The children are expected to read at home every day for a half an hour. It is helpful to have your child talk about what they have read, summarizing and making predictions about the story. Spelling will be starting next Monday, the 30th. The children will be bringing home a spelling list on Monday and are to practice spelling the words at home in preparation for the test on Friday. By November the children will be working on learning the addition and subtraction facts with the hopes that they memorize them. Extra practice at home is encouraged. When they have mastered these they will be practicing multiplication facts using various game form methods. If your child is bringing home homework other than what is mentioned it is most likely because they are not completing their work during class time. If you find the homework to be overwhelming please contact us at school.

Agenda: We are not using an agenda this year. The daily homework and information will be posted on our classroom's daily blog.

Physical Education: Our gym days are: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. The children need a gym strip and gym shoes. The gym strip is the McCammon grey shirt and blue shorts, both with the logo on them. When the strip arrives please send it to school with your child's name on both the top and shorts and a bag would be helpful. I have a bin for the children to keep their labeled gym strip in. We will send them home on long weekends to be washed. On non-gym days we run the track so the children need to have proper running shoes for doing so. The children should also

have gym shoes/indoor shoes. They are not allowed to wear boots in the classroom as their feet get hot and sweat.

Library Days: The children have been assigned a day for the library to ensure everyone gets an opportunity to visit the library once a week. Ask your child what day their library day is. They should know as it is posted on the white board.

Academic News: We are reading stories and articles in Language Arts about getting along with others. We read the stories either together or independently and then do an activity that goes with what we have read. During Mathematics we are learning basic addition and subtraction and extending the number patterns. We are also working on telling time on an analog clock. Soon we will be starting numbers to ten thousand. We are reviewing the Code of Conduct for McCammon and practicing being good citizens.

Our goal again this year is help parents keep informed through our McCammon classroom page. Any newsletters will be found on the McCammon Traditional website, <http://mccammon.sd33.bc.ca/>, Classroom News, Mrs. Frail, downloadable files and the daily news/homework items, on the classroom blog.

We can be reached at the school, 604-795-7000 or email us at either terry_frail@sd33.bc.ca or Kelly_morgan@sd33.bc.ca.

Sincerely,

Terry Frail and Kelly Morgan