



### ANDERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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# **Upcoming Events**

Mon - June 2

Tue - June 3

Wed - June 4

Thur-June 5 Fri - June 6

• PAC Hot Lunch

Bike to School Week

## Parent Appreciation Tea

Friday, June 13th from 9:00 - 10:30 AM



Dear Anderson Parents and Guardians,

**Thank you** for all of your hard work and dedication this school year! From being a part of our Parent Advisory Council, to volunteering for field trips, hot lunches, driving to volleyball and basketball games, donating to our technology fundraising drive and so much more, we appreciate you!

We would like to invite you to a special **Parent Appreciation Tea** this Friday, June 13th from 9:00 – 10:30 AM.

This year we are honouring our parent community on the same day as AnderSun Day so that parents who are already volunteering on this day can also enjoy a moment of relaxation at their leisure.

An assortment of snacks and beverages will be available for our parent community while a video of student messages, songs, and thank you's is presented on the big screen.

Most importantly, this is an opportunity to rest, relax, and catch up with members of our Anderson parent community.

With gratitude, The Staff at Anderson



### **Understanding Combined Class**

It's the time of year when the Anderson staff begins to look at building classes for next year. Staff work very hard to ensure that all students are successful.

Often, the philosophy behind combined classes is misunderstood by parents. Children who are placed in the upper grade of a combined class are not placed there because they struggle in school. In a combined grade 4 and 5 class, we do our very best to ensure that for each grade, we have students who encompass a range of learning styles and abilities. We do not place all of our strongest grade 5 learners into a grade 5/6 when a grade 4/5 classroom is also available.

Teachers are trained to provide instruction to diverse classes of students, looking at children as individuals, and providing individual educational plans where warranted for students who are slower or faster to develop.

Combined classes offer enhanced opportunities for all students to demonstrate confidence, positive self-concept, and a strong sense of belonging. Combined classes can help students form broader and more varied friendships as older students provide role models for younger students. Sometimes the teacher/student relationship can be enhanced if the same teacher teaches a student for more than one year, leading to increased feelings of security for returning students and a smoother transition in September because the teacher already knows their learning styles and needs well. Teachers in combined classes, like those in straight grades, follow the curriculum requirements defined by the Ministry of Education.



## Bike to School Week

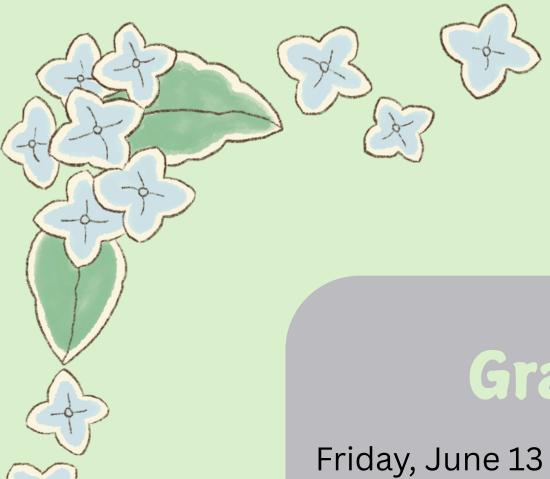


Bike to School Week is starting. Encourage your child to walk, bike, scooter etc to promote active transportation. Please remind them to wear their helmets.



#### UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE

FRI. JUNE 13 | ANDER'SUN DAY - DISMISSAL AT 2PM MON. JUNE 16 | ANDER'SUN RAINOUT DAY FRI. JUNE 20 | YEAR END ASSEMBLY WED. JUNE 25 | TERM 3 LEARNING UPDATES THU. JUNE 26 | LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



## Grade 7 - Save the Dates

Friday, June 13 Ander'Sun Day dismissal at 2pm (more details to follow)
Monday, June 16 Ander'Sun Rainout Day
Tuesday, June 17 Grade 7 Field trip to Camp Cheakamus
Tuesday, June 24 Leadership Night 6-7:30pm
Thursday, June 26 Grade 7 Farewell 9:15am

## Expanded Calendar - June 2025

<u>Filipino Heritage Month</u> A time to showcase the rich culture and heritage of Filipino Canadians.

<u>Italian Heritage Month</u> A time to showcase the rich culture and heritage of Italian Canadians.

National Indigenous Heritage Month A month to recognize the history, heritage and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples in Canada.

<u>Portuguese Heritage Month</u> A time to showcase the rich culture and heritage of Portuguese Canadians.

<u>Pride Season Begins</u> Pride Season is a unifying term that refers to the period betweenJune and September when 2SLGBTQ+ communities and allies come together at different times throughout the summer to spotlight the resilience, talent, and contributions of 2SLGBTQ+ communities in many Canadian cities.

June 1-3	<u>Snavuot</u>	
June 4-9	<u>The Hajj</u>	
June 7	<u>Eid al-Adha</u>	
June 16	<u>Guru Arjan Martyrdom</u>	
June 21	National Indigenous Peoples' Day	
June 23	National Day of Remembrance for the Victims of Terrorism	
June 24	St. Jean-Baptiste Day	
June 26	<u>Islamic New Year</u>	
June 27	<u>Canadian Multiculturalism Day</u>	,
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## Anderson Grade 7 Farewell Luncheon Thursday, June 26th | After the Ceremony Anderson School Gymnasium

ELUNCH GIFTED BY OUR WONDERFUL PAC -- WHITE SPOT!
We're excited to offer Pirate Pak lunches for our Grade 7 students on their special
day! BIG THANKS to our PAC for the generous gift!

Each lunch includes:

✓ Choice of main + fries

**✓** Boxed drink

✓ Signature chocolate coin

Pirate Pak Meal Options:

Hamburger with Fries

Beyond Meat\* burger wth Fries

Grilled Cheese with Fries

Bolognese with Fries

Chicken Strips with Fries

Please help make the day extra special by contributing \$10. As we did some fundraising, it's still not enough to cover the dessert, snacks, goodies and decorations we want to have for the kids.

Please consider donating as every little bit makes a big impact — thank you!

ORDER NOW on <u>School Cash Online!</u>

O Deadline: Monday, June 9th

♦ Thank you for helping make this a memorable celebration for our Grade 7 students!

Warmly,

The Grade 7 Farewell Planning Committee

#### **PAC AGM**

Please come and join us at our upcoming PAC AGM on June 10 @ 6:30pm in the Multipurpose room

### 2025-2026 PAC Nominations!

If you are interested in putting your name forward to help strengthen our Parent Advisory Council (PAC) by serving as a member of the PAC Executive, please review the following information;

https://anderson.sd38.bc.ca/news/2025/05/2025-2026-pac-nominations

- Completed PAC Nomination Forms (attached) must be scanned and submitted, via email, by Saturday May 31, 2025 to <a href="mailto:andersonpacgeneral@gmail.com">andersonpacgeneral@gmail.com</a>

If necessary, elections will be held at the PAC Annual General Meeting (AGM) in June of 2025. Positions are voluntary and for a one-year term.

If you have any questions, please contact <u>andersonpacgeneral@gmail.com</u>