



Horace Allen School Newsletter



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Another school year is quickly coming to a close and students and staff are looking forward to their summer break and time with family and friends. Grade 3 students will visit ISS as part of their transition to Grade 4 on June 13th. To support K - Gr. 2 students as they move onto a new grade, classroom visits are being arranged for the afternoon of June 25. Teachers will meet prior to the start of school in September to look at class lists and share information about each student and their academic and social/emotional needs to ensure as smooth a transition as possible to 2019-20.

There will be some changes to staff and grade level configurations for 2019-20. With declining enrollment HAS will have 2 K classes; 3 Gr. 1 classes; 2 Gr. 2 classes and 3 Gr. 3 classes. Mrs. Fast will move to Gr. 1 and we welcome Ms. Davis from Claresholm to Gr. 3. We send a heartfelt thank you to our temporary staff Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Page, and Miss Hill for all that they have contributed this school year and wish them well as they move on to new adventures. Thank you to all staff for another amazing learning year! It is a pleasure to work with such a caring, compassionate and committed staff!

Of note to parents: CCHS will be dismissing Jr. High at 12:00 on June 19, 20, 24, 25, & 26. There will be no 3:30 dismissal at CCHS on those days. This will mean that ISS and HAS students will likely be home about 10 minutes earlier on those days due to no pickups at CCHS.

School supplies for 2019-20 will be available for purchase online through School Start (www.schoolstart.ca); or families may purchase supplies on their own from lists that will be posted on the school's website.

Horace Allen School staff wish all students and their families a safe and relaxing summer break! See you back to school for registration on Tuesday August 27 or Wednesday June 28. First day back to school is Tuesday September 3, 2019.

Elaine Garner, Principal

Thank you to:

- Grade 3 students for being part of our school family over the past 4 years and contributing to the culture of our school! You will be missed!
- The Coleman Lions for help with our Festival on the Field Fundraiser and for providing a pancake breakfast to all students and staff on the last day of school!
- School Council for ongoing support and commitment to students and staff throughout the year! You are an integral part of the team!
- Women of Steel for providing supplies and backpacks to students again for 2019-20. Families - you will be notified if your child is a lucky winner of free supplies before the end of the year!
- all families for being active members in our school community, and entrusting your children to us each learning day.
- Cheryl and Norm Ouellet for arranging the Tupperware Fundraiser and providing prizes, in support of HAS's Outdoor Classroom.
- ECO Club members and Mrs. Margetak for their commitment to providing the school with ECO friendly information and challenges.
- Mrs. Snider for always providing support to students, parents and staff with a friendly smile!

Teaching Staff 2019-20

K - Mrs. Kulak
 Grade 1 - Mrs. Fast, Miss Marra, Mrs. Pichurski
 Grade 2 - Mrs. Tarcon, Mrs. Margetak
 Grade 3 - Mr. Lach, Miss Gregory, Ms. Davis
 PUF and K /Gr. 1 Learning Support - Mrs. Stickney
 Music - Mrs. Neudorf
 Admin / Art - Mrs. Garner
 Admin / Forest School Lead / Learning Support Gr. 2/ 3 - Ms. Dembicki

Process for student placement to classes for 2019-20...

Teachers will be creating preliminary class lists for 2019-20 in the coming weeks. These preliminary lists will be developed looking at a balance of boys/girls; students' academic and social/emotional needs; and teaching and student learning style. We do not take requests for specific teachers but encourage you to call or email Mrs. Garner or Ms. Dembicki if you have any questions or concerns about your child's placement. We strive to place students in their optimal learning environment each school year. **Class lists will be posted on the first day of school, Tuesday September 3 to allow for any changes that may need to be made because of unknown moves or new additions to HAS over the summer.**

Upcoming Events

June 12 - Gr. 1 Museum Centers at HAS (pm)

June 13 - Gr. 3 orientation at ISS, parents welcome.

June 19 - Gr. 1 to Allison Lake -Hotdog lunch compliments of Nutrition Program

June 20 - Last School Council Mtg. of the year! 6:30 in Learning Commons, childcare provided

June 21 - Gr. 2 to Head Smashed In Buffalo Jump; Outdoor Play Day for K, Gr. 1 and 3

June 24 - Festival on the Field Fundraiser for Outdoor Classroom with Little Mountain Misses

June 26 - Family Picnic Lunch (all invited for pizza)

June 27 - last day for students; Pancake Breakfast for students; Year End Assembly @ 11 a.m.; Report Cards go home

June 28 - Last Day for staff

August 27 & 28 - Registration

September 3 - First Day of School for Gr. 1-3

Did you know?

We have an ongoing school fundraiser. IGA Gift cards are available for purchase at the office. We receive 5% back to our school for all cards purchased. Stop by the office to purchase your gift card.

2019-20 School Calendars will be available from the school at registration in August. This calendar is a HAS, ISS and CCHS calendar that has pertinent dates for each school on it. Dates are subject to change. Please check the school's website regularly for updated information.
www.horaceallenschool.ca

Community Events...

Go to our website and look under Community Info. you will find info on upcoming community events such as:

- Bellecrest Days Schedule of Events
- Bellecrest Days Bike Decorating Contest.
- Swimming Pool Schedule
- Tai Chi Chih classes
- Alberta Health Services Monthly Newletters.
- And Much More~

HAS Nutrition Program Update

HAS's Nutrition Program has been a huge success with 25-30 students enjoying breakfast each day over the 2018-19 school year. All students have had access to fruit and vegetables each day and those who require a lunch or a top-up to their lunch always have something to choose from. Milk has been offered at a reduced rate for the past two year. The Nutrition Program has helped to pay for the soil in our garden beds in addition to providing 2 free lunches to students and food for our Family Picnic on June 26. **Students and staff send out a big thank you to Mrs. Pitt, our Nutrition Coordinator** for all that she has done at the school over the past two years. There is uncertainty about continued funding for this program for 2019-20. More information will be shared in the fall once a provincial budget is declared. **Last day milk will be ordered is June 19. Please have students use their tickets up before the end of June!**

HAS students and staff also send a warm thank you to Ralph, Meleena, and their support workers for managing the breakfast program each morning. We could not provide this to students without your daily help!

Peanut Allergy Alert:

As we have students with peanut and nut allergies attending HAS, we are committed to being a nut-free school.

Drop Off & Parking

Parents/Guardians, please remember to park in the parking lot and walk your child to the pavement if you are dropping them off. When picking students up at the end of the day, please meet your child on the pavement and walk them to your vehicle. Student safety is a priority at Horace Allen School.

The newsletter is available to anyone interested in receiving it electronically by subscribing for it on the HAS website:

<http://www.horaceallenschool.ca/>

Subscribe by providing your email address under the Newsletter section on the front page. Paper copies will be available from the school by parental request.



Volunteers & Visitors

Parents and others wishing to volunteer in the school or on field trips must complete a police information check. Forms are available in the school office and are valid for 2 years. Thanks to all volunteers & visitors for signing in at the office before going to classrooms.

“Achieving our personal best in a safe and caring environment”