

# Voodoo Voice



# Rutland Middle School - "Where Everybody is Somebody"

Website: www.rms.sd23.bc.ca

May 2016

## PRINCIPAL's MESSAGE

Happy May everyone,

This Spring is really speeding along, and I really want to take a moment to thank our RMS community for their hard work and fantastic support. Our PAC has been instrumental in running our Hot Lunch program, and for providing other volunteer supports for our students and programs; each year, they provide funding and are active participants in our school to improve the engagement of our students. Our staff has had a phenomenal year with the Grade 6-8 transition. Our goal was to create a thriving, dynamic middle school program, and the staff has really knocked it out of the park. And never lastly, our students. We have the most caring and thoughtful students in the District, and they really help to make this the wonderful building that it is. I feel so lucky to have the opportunity to work in such a great school.

There are some upcoming events to please take note of – the Parents as Career Coaches session (information below) will be happening on May 12<sup>th</sup> at Hollywood Road Education Centre. It will be an informative night and all are welcome to attend; please sign up at the link below. There will be a District-wide non-instructional day on May 24 for curriculum implementation. There will be no school in session on that day; please mark your calendars! And on June 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:30-7:30pm, we will be having a massive open house related to Exploratory and Enrichment courses called 'Voodoos Unveiled.' We would love to see as many of our fantastic community as possible; the band will play, our Foods students will be cooking and serving food, and there will be many displays and presentations related to the work that our students do in their courses. The more the merrier!

Have a wonderful May!

### **PAC Meeting**

May 16 7:00 pm

No meeting in June

<u>Bike to Work/School Week May 30 to June 5.</u> <u>See poster blow.</u>



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#### **Important Dates**

May 12 – Parents as Career Coaches (see below)

May 12 – 16/17 web leaders at EECO Center (1/2 day)

May 16 – LAST DAY TO BUY YEARBOOKS \$30.00

May 24 – Curriculum Implementation Day – no school

May 30-June 5 – Bike to school/work week

June 1 – Voodoos Unveiled Showcase – 6:30 -7:30 pm

June 10 - SMS and RMS track and field fun day!

June 13 – Gr. 7's to Atlantis Waterpark (pay on line as soon as possible so we can get an accurate number going so busses can be reserved)

June 17 – Gr. 6's to Atlantis Waterpark

Gr. 7's Bear Creek Provincial Park

Gr 8's Gyro Beach

June 21 – Last day of regular classes

June 22 -24 – Presentation of Learning (students come on their assigned day only)

June 27-28 - Completion days

June 29 - 8:55-10:20 am – report cards go home

<u>Library</u> - May has arrived and it's time to start looking for any outstanding library materials. Clean out those closets and under your bed. Don't wait until the year end to go searching, return anything you don't need.

<u>WEB</u> - Congrats new WEB leaders. Our 2016-2017 web leaders have been chosen and will take part in a half day training at the EECO Centre on May 12th. At this workshop they will experience community building skills and train to support the new grade 6s in a transition day this fall.

## Dear SD23 Parents/Guardians,

District Career Life Programs together with OKM PAC are excited to share a FREE PARENT EVENT for parents of middle and secondary students.

#### PARENTS AS CAREER COACHES

May 12, 2016

Hollywood Rd. Education Services

6:00pm-9:00pm

Refreshments served

Registration Required...CLICK HERE... <a href="https://ereg.sd23.bc.ca">https://ereg.sd23.bc.ca</a>

Parents are the single greatest influence on their child's education and career decisions....this program equips parents to better support their children in making informed and successful education and career choices.

This evening session helps parents understand the critical role they play in assisting their child to recognize their interests & unique talents. The sessions also explore what employers consider to be critical skills, qualities, and attitudes required in today's and tomorrow' labour market.

When your children are getting ready to transition from high school to post-secondary or into the workforce, this program will help you and your child use career planning tools and explore opportunities that suit your child's interests and skills.

We look forward to seeing you there – if you have any questions you can contact either

MOVING OVER THE SUMMER? Please advise the school if you or someone you know will be moving over the summer. Whether it is out of town or down the road the school would appreciate a call so that we can adjust our records. Contact our office at 250 765 2988.