



IMPORTANT DATES:

Wed Oct 2 - Grade 6 immunizations

Fri Oct 11 - early dismissal

Mon Oct 14 - **no school**

Thu Oct 17 - photo day

Parent Teacher Interviews

Wed Oct 23 @ 5 to 8pm

Thu Oct 24 @ 5 to 8pm

Fri Oct 25 @ 9 to 12noon

Fri Oct 25 - **no school**

Busy First Month

Wow! A month of school has flown by already! Can you believe it? We are so happy to welcome so many new students and welcome back our returning families. September was full of many great events including our welcome back bbq, Terry Fox Run and Orange Shirt Day, to mention a few!

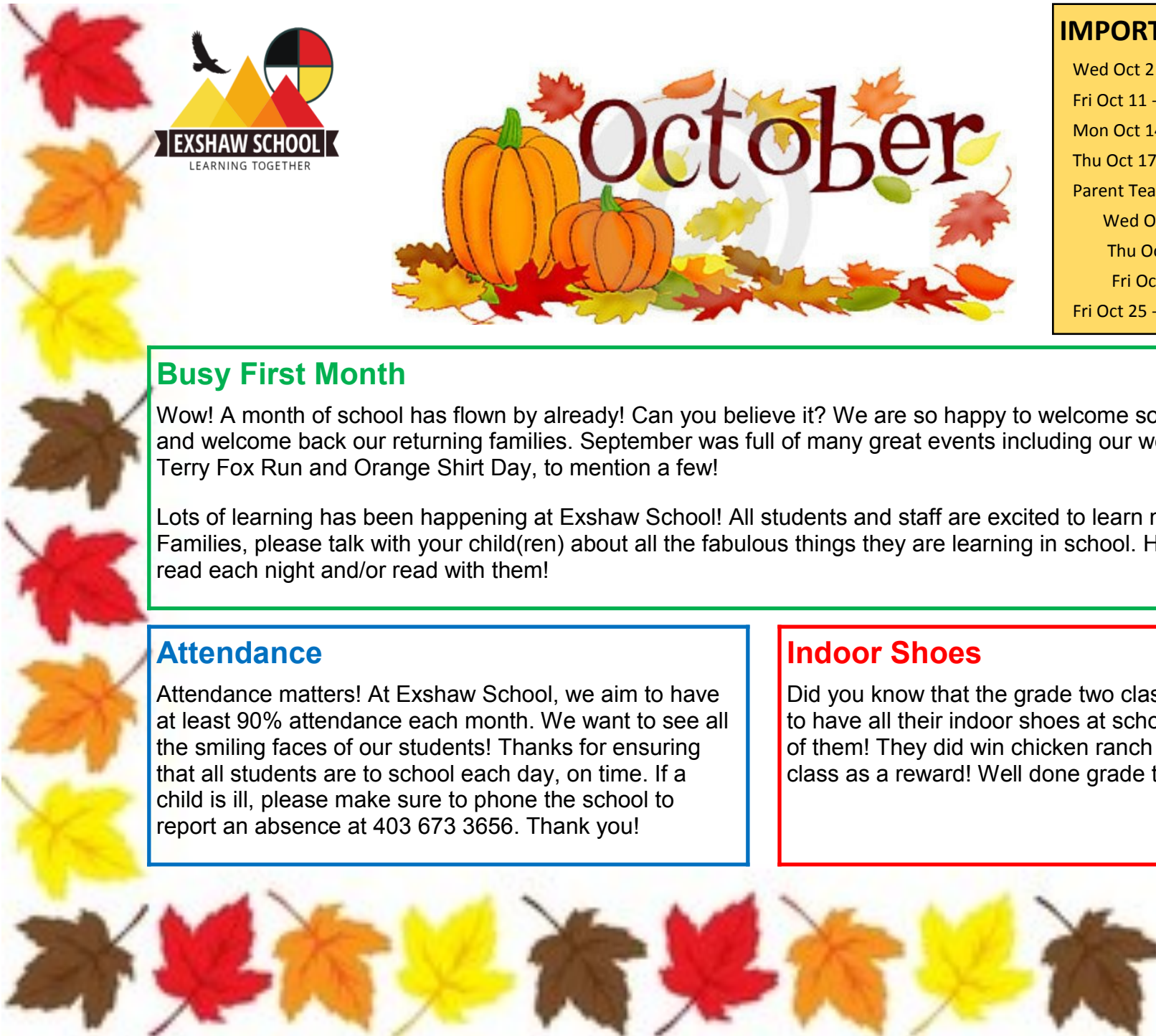
Lots of learning has been happening at Exshaw School! All students and staff are excited to learn many new things. Families, please talk with your child(ren) about all the fabulous things they are learning in school. Have your child(ren) read each night and/or read with them!

Attendance

Attendance matters! At Exshaw School, we aim to have at least 90% attendance each month. We want to see all the smiling faces of our students! Thanks for ensuring that all students are to school each day, on time. If a child is ill, please make sure to phone the school to report an absence at 403 673 3656. Thank you!

Indoor Shoes

Did you know that the grade two class was the first class to have all their indoor shoes at school? We are so proud of them! They did win chicken ranch wraps for the entire class as a reward! Well done grade two class!



Terry Fox Run

Thanks to Mr. Stewart and Mrs. Murphy for organizing a great Terry Fox Run. Our students participated in a great run to support a fantastic cause. Thanks to all the students who ran, walk and donated to Toonies for Terry!



Parenting in the Digital Age

With Dr. Jason Daniels

How much is too much when it comes to kids and technology? You are invited to learn more about the positive and negative impacts digital media can have on childhood development and practical solutions for managing how your kids use technology.

Banff Elementary School on Wednesday Oct 2 @ 7pm
Canmore Collegiate High School
Theatre on Thu Oct 3 @ 7pm

This event is open to all ages and students are welcome to attend.



Orange Shirt Day

Did you know that Orange Shirt Day began in Williams Lake in 2013 and has since spread to schools across B.C. and Canada. Orange Shirt Day (September 30th) is a day when we honour the Indigenous children who were sent away to residential schools in Canada and learn more about the history of those schools. The “orange shirt” in Orange Shirt Day refers to the new shirt that Phyllis Webstad was given to her by her grandmother for her first day of school at St. Joseph’s Mission residential school in British Columbia. When Phyllis got to school, they took away her clothes, including her new shirt. It was never returned. To Phyllis, the colour orange has always reminded her of her experiences at residential school and, as she has said, “how my feelings didn’t matter, how no one cared and I felt like I was worth nothing. All of us little children were crying and no one cared.” The message that Phyllis wants to pass along on Orange Shirt Day — and every day — is that every child matters. Orange Shirt Day was started by Phyllis to educate people about residential schools and fight racism and bullying. Please share this story with all your friends and family!



Demographic Update Sheet

A demographic update form will be sent out in October either by email or coming home with students to update contact information. Please return the updated demographic sheet to the school for each of your child(ren). If not, please contact your child’s teacher, so that he/she can get you a sheet to update so we have the most current information. Thank you!

Parent Teacher Interviews

We have parent/teacher/student interviews on October 23rd, 24th and 25th. The students are to come with their families to meet their teacher to discuss their goals and progress. There will be prizes and dinner on the nights of October 23rd and 24th! Interviews are between 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the 23th and the 24th. On the morning of the 25th, interviews are held between 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. All families need to attend. We can't wait to see you!



Thank You

A big thank you to Lafarge, Breakfast Clubs of Canada and Bow Valley Christmas Spirit Campaign for donations to our Breakfast and Lunch programs. We appreciate the help to provide healthy lunches to our wonderful students!



Tipi

Did you know that Exshaw School has it's own tipi? Thanks to our Elders Virgile Stevens, Philomene Stevens and Tracey Stevens (check the spelling of all their names Scott please) and the grade eights, it has been placed in our school field in September during our Welcome Back BBQ week.



We look forward to another great year at Exshaw School!

Yours in Education, Nadine Dack-Doi (Principal)

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