




EARLY DISMISSAL WEEK

MONDAY OCTOBER 20TH TO THURSDAY OCTOBER 23RD

Students will be dismissed at 1:50 PM. We encourage all parents to schedule a Parent/Teacher Interview with their child's teacher.

 Students who take the bus or participate in after-school programs will remain supervised at school until the regular dismissal time of 2:50 PM.

PAC POPCORN & FROZEN TREAT DAY FRIDAY OCTOBER 17TH

PAC will be hosting a Popcorn & Frozen Treat day on Friday October 17th at lunch. You can pre order treats on School Cash Online or bring cash the day of.
Bag of Popcorn \$2
Frozen Treat \$1

<https://sd5.schoolcashonline.com>



Open Gym Night at Steeple

Free Open Gym Night every Wednesday from 7-8:30 pm for youth 10-13 years old at Steeple gymnasium. The drop-in program will run from October 1- Dec 3rd. Contact Erin.stevenson@sd5.bc.ca with any questions.

NEXT WEEK:

MONDAY OCTOBER 6TH

MRS. LENTZ - FIRE HALL VISIT 10AM

BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE @ LUNCH

MS. JOHNSON - SWIMMING - PM

MS. GREENLEE - FOREST WALK-PM

GRADE 6 - VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE 3-4PM

TUESDAY OCTOBER 7TH

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL GAME @ STEEPLES
VS. HIGHLANDS - 3:30PM

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8TH

DISTRICT HOT LUNCH

BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE AT LUNCH

WILDERNESS WEDNESDAY - MR.
HAMMOND, MR. CATHERALL & MRS. ENNS

MS. JOHNSON - CRANBROOK FIRE HALL
VISIT

THURSDAY OCTOBER 9TH

MS. JOHNSON - FOREST WALK-PM

FRIDAY OCTOBER 10TH

NO SCHOOL

MONDAY OCTOBER 13TH

NO SCHOOL

OCTOBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	MRS. LENTZ – FIRE HALL VISIT – AM BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE @ LUNCH MS. JOHNSON – SWIMMING – PM MS. GREENLEE – FOREST WALK GRADE 6 GIRLS & BOYS VOLLEYBALL	VOLLEYBALL GAMES – GIRLS TEAM - @ STEEPLES VS. HIGHLANDS – 3:30PM GIRLS TEAM AT ST. MARY'S – 3:30PM	DISTRICT HOT LUNCH BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE @ LUNCH WILDERNESS WEDNESDAY – MR. HAMMOND, MRS. ENNS & MR. CATHERALL – PM MS. JOHNSON – CRANBROOK FIRE HALL VISIT – PM	MS. JOHNSON – FOREST WALK – PM GRADE 5/6 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE 3-4PM	NO SCHOOL	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	NO SCHOOL	VOLLEYBALL GAMES – BOYS/MIXED TEAM @ STEEPLES VS. ST. MARY'S – 3:30PM GIRLS TEAM AT ST. MARY'S – 3:30PM	DISTRICT HOT LUNCH BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE @ LUNCH WILDERNESS WEDNESDAY – MR. HAMMOND, MRS. ENNS & MR. CATHERALL - PM OPEN GYM NIGHT 7-8:30PM	MS. JOHNSON – FOREST WALK – PM MS. PORTER/ MS. TOFFOLO – SWIMMING – PM GRADE 5/6 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE 3-4PM	PAC POPCORN & TREAT DAY MR. WALTON & MS. SHULTZ – FOREST FRIDAY House Teams Assembly 2pm	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEW WEEK – EARLY DISMISSAL – 1:50PM SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR – LIBRARY – AFTERNOON TILL 4PM				NO SCHOOL	
	BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE @ LUNCH PAC MEETING 5:30PM	VOLLEYBALL GAMES – BOYS/MIXED TEAM AT 2nd/3rd - 3:30PM GIRLS TEAM @ STEEPLES VS. PINEWOOD – 3:30PM	DISTRICT HOT LUNCH BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE @ LUNCH			
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE @ LUNCH MS. GREENLEE – FOREST WALK – PM GRADE 6 GIRLS & BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE 3-4PM	VOLLEYBALL GAMES – BOYS/MIXED TEAM AT STEEPLES VS. KCA – 3:30PM GIRLS TEAM @ KCA – 3:30PM	DISTRICT HOT LUNCH BOYS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE @ LUNCH WILDERNESS WEDNESDAY – MR. HAMMOND, MRS. ENNS & MR. CATHERALL – PM	MS. JOHNSON – FOREST WALK – PM MR. WALTON, MS. SHULTZ, MRS. LENTZ, & MRS. ENNS – SWIMMING – PM GRADE 5/6 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE 3-4PM	HALLOWEEN COSTUME DRESS UP DAY	

VOLLEYBALL GAMES BEGIN NEXT WEEK

If your child is on the Volleyball teams for Steeples Elementary, please see the schedule of games below. There is no Boys/Mixed team game on Tuesday October 7th. Schedule of practices is on the calendar within the newsletter.



Cranbrook Elementary Schools Grade 6 Volleyball Schedule 2025

Boys / Mixed

Date	Away	Home
Week 1 October 7	Kootenay Christian	Kootenay Orchards
	Gordon Terrace	T.M. Roberts
	St. Mary's	ʔaqamnik
	Steeple	Bye
Date	Away	HOME
Week 2 October 14	Kootenay Christian	T.M. Roberts
	St. Mary's	Steeple
	Kootenay Orchards	Gordon Terrace
	ʔaqamnik	Bye
Date	Away	Home
Week 3 October 21	T.M. Roberts	Kootenay Orchards
	Kootenay Christian	St. Mary's
	Steeple	ʔaqamnik
	Gordon Terrace	Bye
Date	Away	Home
Week 4 October 28	T.M. Roberts	ʔaqamnik
	Kootenay Christian	Steeple
	St. Mary's	Gordon Terrace
	Kootenay Orchards	Bye
Date	Away	Home
Week 5 November 4	St. Mary's	Kootenay Orchards
	Gordon Terrace	Kootenay Christian
	Steeple	ʔaqamnik
	T.M. Roberts	Bye
November 7	Tournament	COTR (PM)

Girls

Date	Away	Home
Week 1 October 7	Highlands	Steeple
	Gordon Terrace	Pinewood
	Kootenay Orchards	Kootenay Christian
	T.M. Roberts	St. Mary's
Date	Away	Home
Week 2 October 14	T.M. Roberts	Kootenay Christian
	Gordon Terrace	Kootenay Orchards
	Highlands	Pinewood
	Steeple	St. Mary's
Date	Away	Home
Week 3 October 21	Kootenay Orchards	T.M. Roberts
	St. Mary's	Gordon Terrace
	Kootenay Christian	Highlands
	Pinewood	Steeple
Date	Away	Home
Week 4 October 28	T.M. Roberts	Pinewood
	Kootenay Orchards	Highlands
	Gordon Terrace	St. Mary's
	Steeple	Kootenay Christian
Date	Away	Home
Week 5 November 4	Kootenay Orchards	Steeple
	St. Mary's	Highlands
	Kootenay Christian	Gordon Terrace
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ORANGE SHIRT DAY AT STEEPLES



BACKPACK BUDDIES PROGRAM

Steeple Elementary participates in the Backpack Buddies program. If you are interested in having your child added to the Backpack Buddies program at Steeple, please email Barbara Fode at Barbara.Fode@sd5.bc.ca

Families utilizing this program NEED to contact the school to organize delivery and pickup.

For more information in regards to the program, please check out the website:

<https://www.backpackbuddies.ca/how-we-help/>



Backpack Buddies is unique because we deliver food directly to children through their schools.



We partner with schools to connect with children in need

Everything we do is coordinated in partnership with teachers and administrators. They advise us on the needs of their students and discreetly identify children who will benefit most from receiving a bag of food for the weekend.



We provide over 1.5 million meals a year

We work with grocery suppliers and food rescue organizations to stretch every dollar we have. Over 1.65 million meals a year are packed at our warehouses in North Vancouver and Victoria.



We deliver bags of food directly to schools every week

With the support of our transportation partners, we deliver thousands of bags of food every week to schools across BC.



We feed hungry kids with dignity and discretion

We take steps to ensure kids aren't ashamed to get help. Every Friday, the kids we serve go home with a bag full of meals and snacks to last them the weekend. Coordinating with teachers and administrators, we ensure delivery is discreet so that no child feels singled out by this support. For the kids we serve, they head home every Friday knowing where their next meal is coming from and are equipped to return to school on Monday ready to learn.

PASSPORT TO THE KOOTENAYS FUNDRAISER

Steeple is selling Passport to the Kootenays Coupon Books as a fundraiser for the school. Order before Friday November 7th. \$10 per book sold will go towards the school. The Passport to the Kootenays Coupon Book is a book full of coupons for the Kootenays. Delivery date will be at the end of November.

EACH BOOK IS \$52.50

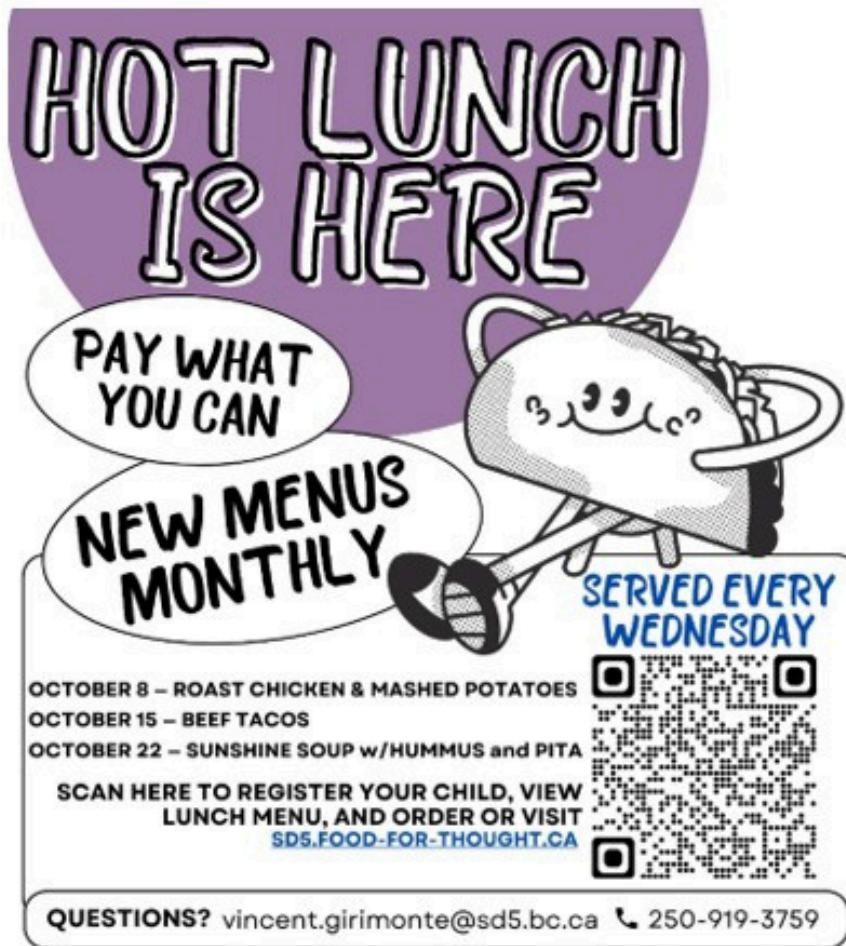
For more information, please check out the website:

<https://passporttothekootenays.site/>

LINK FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO ORDER:

<https://SD5.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/16451/213/False/True>





Dear Parents and Guardians,

We're excited to announce that the District Hot Lunch Program will begin on Wednesday, October 8th!

🍴 Lunches will be served every Wednesday, so we kindly ask that you place your orders the week before to ensure your child receives a meal.

💻 To order, please visit: <https://sd5.food-for-thought.ca/>

We encourage all families to use the online ordering system—it's quick and easy!

💰 This is a pay-what-you-can program, so every child can participate regardless of financial circumstances. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to serving your children delicious, nutritious meals each week!

If you should have any issues with the online ordering system, please email Vincent Girimonte at vincent.girimonte@sd5.bc.ca or call 1-250-919-3759

STEEPLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PAC NEWS



WELCOME TO THE STEEPLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PAC

WHAT AND WHO IS STEEPLES ELEMENTARY PAC?

The Steeples Elementary School Parent Advisory Council (P.A.C.) is a volunteer based organization that works together with parents/guardians and the school to enrich students school experiences through field trips, equipment, fun activities and more.

We:

- Work as liaisons between parents & Steeples Elementary to provide input and feedback about programs, activities & goals.
- Raise funds to support goals & provide equal opportunity

WHEN DOES P.A.C. MEET?

We meet in person once a month in the school library to discuss fundraising events, budget, faculty funding requests, school events/needs and much more. Children are welcome to come play in the gym!

Our fabulous Principal, Vice Principal and District Board Trustee attend to give updates and offer valuable perspectives and feedback.

Meetings are held in the Library at 5:30pm: Sept 22, Oct 20, Nov 17, Jan 19, Feb 23, Apr 20, May 25, Jun 15 (AGM/Elections)

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Join our mailing list, attend meetings, follow us on social media ... volunteer on Your time! It really is as easy as that. As much time as you are comfortable with, is all we will ask of you. Welcome to PAC, every parent\guardian of Steeples' students is a voting member of PAC.

WHY FUNDRAISE?

PAC is independent of the school, but we do help to raise funds for things not in their budget. Fundraisers help to offset the costs of extra classroom supplies, extracurricular activities and much more. As a bonus this helps create a fantastic sense of community. Look below to see some things we have accomplished recently...



NEXT PAC MEETING

MONDAY OCTOBER 20TH, 2025

5:30PM - LIBRARY



FRESH TO YOU FUNDRAISER

**ORDER FORMS
WILL BE
GOING HOME
NEXT WEEK!**

The Fresh to You Fundraiser is a great way to fundraise with healthy food choices while making a 40% profit for your school.

Here's What's in the Bundles



**We love to eat fresh
fruits and vegetables!**

Basic Bundle 1 - \$25

3 lb Carrots
5 lb Russet Roaster Potatoes
3 lb Yellow Onions
3 lb Apples

Seasonal Bundle - \$30

283g Shallots
5 lb Russet Roaster Potatoes
3 lb Carrots
1 lb Parsnips
3 pack Loveable Little Squash

Our school is making a healthy choice in fundraising by selling top quality fruits and vegetables from BC.

Help us:

- 🍎 meet our school's fundraising goals
- 🍎 support healthy choices
- 🍎 support local growers and producers

Fundraising Dates:

ORDERS DUE FRIDAY OCTOBER 24TH

Fundraising Coordinator:

STEEPLES PAC



Parents and Guardians

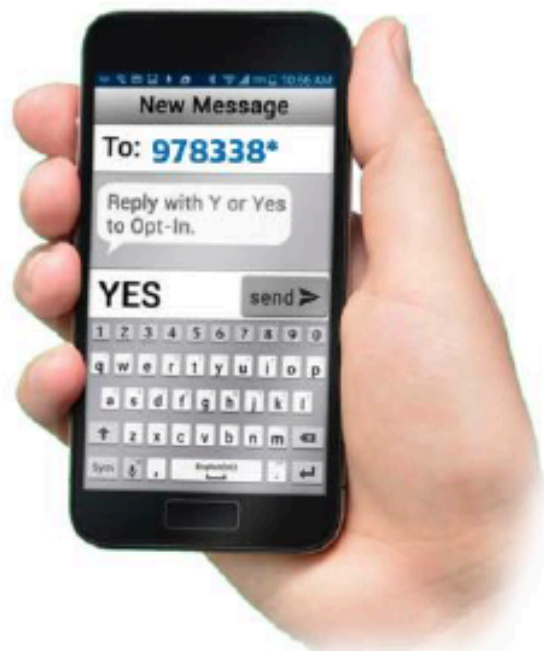
You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our district utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more. You can participate in this free service* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number:

For CANADA-BASED numbers: 978338

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge™, so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.



*if your number is Canada-based.


For CANADA-BASED numbers:

Opt-In from
your mobile
now!



Just send "Y"
or "Yes" to
978338.

*Terms and Conditions – Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See schoolmessenger.com/txt for more info.

 **Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:** SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers.

If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

STEEPLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STRONG START NEWS

Strong Start is now open!

🕒 The days/times are:

Monday-Thursday

Morning session: 9:00am-11:30am

Afternoon session: 12:15pm-2:45pm

📄 Please, if you are not registered or fully registered, bring your children's Birth Certificate and proof of residency to the Steeples School office and Mrs. Ney will be happy to help you. You can come before hand or the same day you are attending.

🏠 Unfortunately the new build for Strong Start is not done yet and we will have to continue in the smaller breakfast club room. Leading to us having to sign-up for each session again. I will post the link to sign-up on the Facebook page when it is available. It will be up every 2 weeks 😞 If you ever need to cancel or cant make it in, it really is no problem and you can message me on this messenger and re book for other days. I totally understand things come up and pre registering with little ones can be very tough.

✍️ The sign-up page will ask for your email and phone number, but it doesn't actual email you with the days you booked or confirmation, so please write down or screen shot your days.

LINK TO SIGN UP:

<https://cbal.simplesurvey.com/f/s.aspx?s=0D769AAD-58CE-4FFC-B1A1-C4A5E7AIDFCB>

Cant wait to see everyone and meet all the new families.
Any questions, please reach out.

Thank you so much,
Nicole Green
cbal.ngreen@sd5.bc.ca

StrongStart - Cranbrook



- A free, parent-accompanied play and learning program for children ages 0-5.
- Snacks provided.
- Play-based and learning activities facilitated by a qualified early childhood educator.

Monday-Thursday
9:00-11:30 and 12:15-2:45
Follows school calendar

**Steeple Elementary
School**
250-426-0620
cbal.ngreen@sd5.bc.ca



StrongStartBC



Play

Connect

Learn

Did you know that 5% of your Save-On-Foods grocery bill could be donated straight to our school? It's super easy to help out our kids!

All you have to do is

1. Shop at the Cranbrook Save-On-Foods
2. Mention Steeples Elementary at the till
3. 5% of your bill is donated by the store!

How simple is that? Every little bit helps get our kids better equipment and awesome experiences.

Thanks for your support!

Keep Steeples really rocking!



Steeple's Elementary Facebook Page

Parents and guardians, please join our Steeples Elementary School Facebook page. We will be using this page to share information about the great things happening at Steeples!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2163353540497034>



Steeple's Elementary School **BELL SCHEDULE 2025-2026**

8:15 AM	Student supervision begins
8:40 AM	Classes begin
10:10 AM	Primary recess (15 mins)
10:50 AM	Intermediate recess (15 mins)
12:10 PM	Lunch begins
12:25 PM	Students outside for lunch recess
1:00 PM	Classes resume
2:50 PM	End of school day

Steeple's Elementary School

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