

J.A. Cuddy Newsletter

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Absent today? Please contact us before 8:45 am

Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that the first month of the 2023-2024 school year has come and gone. September was busy with **Strong Beginnings**, **Cross Country**, and the **Community BBQ**. October sees students settled into routines, becoming more acquainted with their classrooms, classmates and teacher expectations. During this busy time, I encourage families to slow down and take some time to review their child's work regularly.

October also marks a time for us to reflect on what we are thankful for. We, as Canadians, are fortunate in so many ways. It is hard to stop and think that not everyone lives as we do. At J. A. Cuddy, we want to foster a better understanding of the lives of others less fortunate. We hope all students will begin to think beyond our borders and become informed and active citizens of our local and global community. ***We want to be a school that thinks globally and acts locally!***

We currently have two positions available in our school. An educational assistant position and an evening cleaner position. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please have them contact the office.

J. A. Cuddy has an incredible team of caring, hard-working and supportive staff. It is essential to acknowledge their hard work and dedication; however, family support and involvement are equally important. We encourage you to participate in your child's education actively. Whether you become formally involved in volunteer opportunities within the school, participate in the **PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL** (next meeting is scheduled for 8:00 pm, October 16th virtually through Zoom), or simply take the time to talk to your child about school regularly. Being active in your child's education is essential to their success.

As always, we encourage you to check out our school website and the School Community Bulletin Board outside the office for current information. We do our best to ensure this information is up to date. If you have any questions/concerns, please feel free to contact any member of the J. A. Cuddy team

Scott Thomson
Principal, J.A. Cuddy School

*Thank you to the Hillier family for donating an awesome set of drums for our Band program!
You guys rock!*

School Picture Days

Lifetouch will be coming to our school on **October 24** to take our student and pictures.

Students will have their picture taken in order of grade starting with our awesome Kindergarten class!

There is no obligation to purchase any pictures, but we request that all students have their photo taken, as Lifetouch provides us with a program that allows us to use photos of students in our school administration

Retake day is on **November 22** in the afternoon.

The Sports Report

Volleyball season is upon us. The Girls and Boys volleyball teams are practicing twice a week to get ready for the season, which opens the week of October 23.

There is a fee for our volleyball teams this year. Please use School Cash Online to make payment.

Our **Cross Country** team took over St. Malo with a strong showing and a great attitude. It was also a rare nice day for cross country. We usually have rain and winds and even some snow now and then. We came home with two first place finishes, two second place finishes and three third place finishes.

We're so proud of our team of speedsters!

Library Corner

@jacuddy_library is where it's at! Yes, even our J.A. Cuddy library has an Instagram page. Follow for info on what's new in the library, what book series are trending, and much more!

It has been a fabulous start to a new school year and we have hit the ground running.

Buddy reading is back in swing. The students in Grade 1 - 8 are partnered up with a student younger or older than they are to read with. It is so heartwarming to see new friendships forming over a book 📖💕.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be running from November 14 - 17. This is a great way to get books into your child's hands, plus help out the library get new books also. We look forward to seeing you there!

Kinderstart will Begin on October 24 and Run to May 30!

Our classes will run on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Due to high enrollment numbers, we will have two separate classes. Group A will be our morning group which will run from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Group B will be our afternoon group, running from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. **Class lists are currently being worked on and will be sent to parents shortly.**

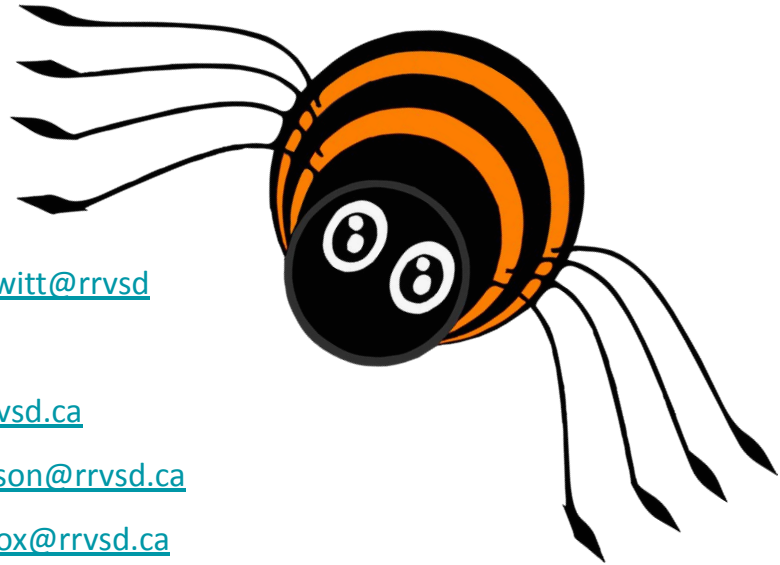
The principle philosophy of KinderSTART is to provide a happy, healthy, and stimulating environment for pre-Kindergarten-aged children in the run-up to Kindergarten. Our focus is on preparing the children for Kindergarten, concentrating on socialization through play, literacy, and numeracy skills. The program demonstrates the values of self-reliance, respect for self and others, kindness and sharing.

Children will be met by their teacher Mrs. Zink at the front gymnasium doors. Bussing is not available for our Kindergarten Preparation Program. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please contact the office at jacuddy@rvsd.ca.

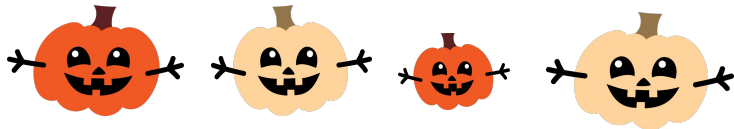
****Children are encouraged to bring water and snacks in a small backpack and appropriate indoor/outdoor footwear.****

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Yes, it's true.
 There are three
 inservice days in a
 row this month.
 October 18th, 19th
 and 20th.
 There will be no
 classes for
 students.



La Salle Public Health 2023 Seasonal Flu/Covid Clinics

Date	Time	Location
Wednesday, November 1/22	3-7pm	Meadowbrook Club House Sanford
Saturday, November 4/22	1-4:30pm	Caisse Community Center La Salle
Monday, November 6/22	3-7pm	Oak Bluff Recreation Center

*No appointment necessary: walk-in only.
 Covid vaccines will be available based on supply.*

Upcoming Events

Nov. 5: Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov. 11: Remembrance Day
Nov. 16: Parent-Teacher Meetings Evening
Nov. 17: Parent-Teacher Meetings Morning, no classes for students
Nov. 22: School Picture Retakes

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Gr. 3-8 Cross Country 3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Boys 6pm - MHRD Yoga All	School Inservice Day - No 6:45pm - Fusion Fitness	3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Girls 6pm - MHRD Basketball	Kindergarten 3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Boys	Kindergarten 3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Boys	Kindergarten	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Thanksgiving Day - No Thanksgiving Day - No	Kindergarten 3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Girls 6pm - Prairie Palette Art 6:45pm - Fusion Fitness	3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Girls 6pm - MHRD Basketball	Kindergarten 3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Boys			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Boys 6pm - MHRD Yoga All 8pm - PAC General	Kindergarten 3:30pm - Gr. 7/8 Girls 6:45pm - Fusion Fitness	Divisional PD Day - No 6pm - MHRD Basketball	Divisional PD Day - No	MTS PD Day - No Classes		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
6pm - MHRD Yoga All	Kindergarten Kinderstart School Picture Day 6pm - Prairie Palette Art 6:45pm - Fusion Fitness	6pm - MHRD Basketball	Kindergarten Kinderstart			
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
6pm - MHRD Yoga All	Halloween Kindergarten Kinderstart 6:45pm - Fusion Fitness					