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Principal's Message

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer holiday. I am excited for the start of another academic year. It's wonderful to see all the returning students again and I want to extend a warm welcome to all the new students.

I encourage you to take a moment and become acquainted with our staff in this issue of the newsletter.

General Reminders

Uniforms: Please ensure your child dresses in uniform every day unless otherwise specified by the teacher. Students are not to wear jewelry to school. Please closely review the uniform stipulations found on page 11 in the handbook section of the students' agendas.

Agendas: All classes are using agendas to ensure that there is ample communication between home and the Academy. Please read your child's agenda each night, sign it, and return it the following day.

Meet Our Teachers

Lindsey McCrea: Jr Kindergarten



I am Lindsey McCrea. This is my second year teaching Junior Kindergarten at Asasa Academy. I am excited to teach them Literacy, Math, Science and Social Studies.



Jonathan Shum: Jr Kindergarten

Hello!

My name is Mr. Shum and I am new to the Asasa team! This will be my fourth year of teaching and I am the new junior kindergarten teacher for the year. I am delighted to inspire little minds for the future!

Brenda Roth: Kindergarten



Bonjour! My name is Mme Brenda Roth and I am teaching the French kindergarten class and FSL to the Grade 1/2 class this year. I look forward to a rewarding year for 2015/2016. Bonne année!



Trista Kruiper: Kindergarten

Hi everyone! My name is Trista Kruiper and this is my second year at Asasa Academy. This year I am teaching half day Kindergarten, as well as Music for Grades 1-3 and French for Grades 1-6. I had a great summer but I am looking forward to getting to know all of my students this year!



Diana Hoang: Kindergarten

Hi! I am Mrs. Hoang and this is my third year teaching Kindergarten here at Asasa. I am looking forward to another fun and exciting year!



Niki Warford : Grade One

I'm Ms. Warford, and this is my second year at Asasa Academy. I am very excited to be teaching grade 1 this year! I am looking forward to another great year at Asasa Academy!

Megan Wilker: Grade One/Two



Hi my name is Mrs. Megan Wilker and I am the combined grade 1 and 2 teacher. I will be teaching Math, ELA, Social Studies and Science in the mornings. I am really excited to be back at Asasa Academy for another great academic year.

Mandeep Jawanda: Grade Two



Hi! My name is Mrs. Jawanda and I'm very excited to be teaching grade 2 again this year. It is my 2nd year teaching at Asasa Academy. I am originally from Winnipeg, Manitoba and I moved to Calgary 3 years ago. During my free time, I enjoy cooking, reading, hiking and spending time with my family.



Jessica Pope: Grade Three

Hello, my name is Ms. Pope. This is my 5th year teaching elementary school, and second year teaching grade 3. I spent 3 years teaching ESL students in South Korea. I'm excited for another year here at Asasa Academy and look forward to getting to know all my new students! Let's have a fun year together!

Breanne Britt: Grade Four



Hello and welcome back, Asasa students! My name is Ms. Britt and I am the grade 4 home room teacher. I have been teaching grade 4 at Asasa for the past 3 years. This year, I am also teaching our grade 1/2 split class in the afternoons ! I am so excited to be a part of another exciting year, full of positive changes, here at Asasa! I hope everyone has a wonderful school year! I know I will!

Sarah Palmer: Grade Five/Six

Hi, I'm Ms. Palmer and this is my second year teaching at Asasa Academy. I am happy to be teaching the grade 5/6 class this year, as well as teaching computers and phys. ed. for grades 4-6. I am excited for another great school year!



Save the Date!

JK Start Class
Sep 8

The Junior Kindergartners will begin attending on this date.

Parent Council
Sep 23

The council will meet at 6:00pm and will select new council members.

Culture Day
Sep 24

Students are invited to showcase their culture by dressing in ethnic clothing.

No Classes
Sep 25

No classes for students. Teachers have professional development.

Terry Fox Run
Sep 30

Students will be fundraising and running in support of cancer research.

Thanksgiving
Oct 12

The Academy will be closed for Thanksgiving.

Have a Voice!

Are you looking for an opportunity to get involved? Do you wish to meet other parents? Do you have a special talent/ skill/gift to offer?

The Parent Advisory Council is recruiting additional members. We invite you to come have some input into school policies and events at the Academy. Please email contact@asasa.ca for an application form.

The first Parent Council meeting will be Wednesday, September 23 at 6:00 P.M.



Monthly Value: Courage

Terry Fox was 18 years old when he was diagnosed with bone cancer and had his right leg amputated in 1977.

While in hospital, Terry was so overcome by the suffering of other cancer patients, many of them young children, that he decided to run across Canada to raise money for cancer research.

He would call his journey the *Marathon of Hope*.

Although Terry succumbed to cancer before he completed his journey, his courage has left a legacy that we honour today. You can learn more about Terry and his legacy at www.terryfox.org.