

DRUMMOND SCHOOL NEWS SEPTEMBER 2019

Christina Barbachano, Superintendent
Rick Parke, Principal

Dear Drummond Community,

Happy fall from all of us here at Drummond Public Schools! We are in full swing and our classrooms are full of students and staff doing what they do best, learning and teaching. We had a very full three days of PIR and Professional Development for our staff and teachers and we are all ready to work hard on the behalf of our kiddos.

We have several new staff this year that I would like to introduce:

Sarah O'Dell - Custodian, Paraprofessional, and Concessions Manager

Sarah Suthers - Paraprofessional and Kitchen Helper

Elizabeth McKague - Paraprofessional

Jennifer Wagy - HS, Library, and Shop Custodian

Haley Verlanic - School Nurse

Camille Gianaris - Americorps Leader/Volunteer

Sheri Hand - Music Teacher

Jerry Metesh - Business and PE Teacher, JH Assistant FB Coach

Shannon Martell - JH Assistant VB Coach

Jason Ostler- HS Assistant FB Coach

Devin Dahl - JH Assistant FB Coach

Brooks Phillips - Head VB Coach

Tiffany Parke - Assistant VB Coach

After School and Friday Program

As we get Camille Gianaris up and running, one of the projects she will be heading up is facilitating our After School Program- which admittedly will look very different this year than years past. We did not receive the 21st Century Grant as we had in the past (very few, if any, Class C Schools did). We will also be implementing a half day Friday program for 1st-8th graders once or twice a month on Fridays we do not have school. Look for more information as it gets figured out. We are excited to still be able to offer academic tutoring, some fun activities, and a safe place for kids to hang out.

New Gym and Weight-Room Facilities

This is a reminder that minors under the age of 18 are not permitted in the New Gym and Weight Room without a supervising adult. Please do not send your children to the gym or weight room with your key card without a supervising adult. This is for everyone's safety and the comfort of our paying adult community members. Thank you for your continued attention to this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Attendance Matters!

Attendance at school is very important to your child's academic success. Because we are a four day

school week (mostly) missing one day a week each week adds up to 25% of lost instructional time. This makes it incredibly difficult for students to make up their work and the loss of instruction really adds up. Please help us get your children to school each day and on time. And if there is anything the district can do to help your family with this, please let us know!

EMAIL ADDRESSES

Be in the know as soon as possible! Parents and community members who would like to receive this newsletter via email, please make sure that Lisa has your email address on file. We have VERY FEW parent email addresses and this helps us to save money and time. Thanks!

I sure hope this newsletter is chock full of helpful information. I wish you all the very best this autumn and beginning of the school year. If I can be of any assistance, please just stop by or call me at 288-3281.

Go Big Blue!

Mrs. B

FREE/REDUCED MEALS (breakfast & lunch)

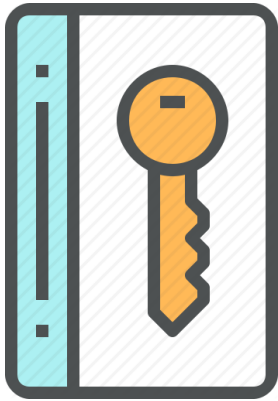
I would like to inform any family that applications for free/reduced meals will be available at the high school office. The school is reimbursed at a higher rate for free/reduced meals than they are for regular meals. This means that we will be better off financially with more free/reduced meals. The government also uses our free/reduced numbers to award most educational grants. In other words, we have a better chance to get federal aid if we have a higher percentage of our students qualified for free/reduced meals. If you think that you qualify, please contact Lisa in the high school office. **If you were approved last year, you still have to complete paperwork for the new school year. If we do not have this paperwork on file within 30 days, (Deadline is October 8th) you will then be charged regular prices until we receive the current paperwork for the current year.**

REMINDER TO PARENTS!!

Please do not allow any grade school age children up in the weight room prior to any school or athletic functions or any other time without a parent. Also, no school children are allowed in the school after hours unless they are involved in a sport, or are accompanied by an adult!!

BUS REMINDER

If your child is in K-6th grade, and an adult is not present at the bus stop in the afternoon to pick up or meet your child/children, your child/children will not be let off at the stop. This is a safety issue, and our bus drivers will keep the students on the bus until a parent or guardian can be reached.



KEY CARD

Attention Drummond Key Card Holders/Users, Effective September 1st, 2019 there will be a \$25 fee to replace a lost or stolen key card. Please do not give your card to anyone. Thank you!

PENNIES PROVIDED

Drummond Schools would like to thank the Wagon Wheel Café & Motel for their donation to our kids. They have placed a donation can by the cash register for extra pennies or loose change to help support Drummonds After School programs. These funds will be used to help fund the afterschool activities and field trips that Drummond provides for its' students. The Staff and Students want to thank the Wagon Wheel for helping support this vital program. THANK YOU!!



PARENT MUSIC MEETING

Mandatory Band Parent/Student meeting on Sept. 10th from 5 to 7 P.M. in the music room. If there is a conflict, please let Mrs. Hand know ASAP. Thank you!

GUIDANCE NEWS

Mr. Oberweiser would like to remind all senior parents that he will be corresponding to the seniors using the Remind app.

This is a secure messaging system in which Mr. O does not know the students phone number but communicates through a cloud based system. The students and parents can access this program through this link, <https://www.remind.com/join/393726>.

Mr. O would also like to inform Junior and Senior parents that their students will be attending a career fair on September 24th from 8am to noon.

September Library News 2019

Open: M & Th 1-7pm ; T & W 1-5pm ; Sat. 10 - 4pm <http://drummondlibrary.org>

September is: National Library Card Sign Up Month! Stop by and Sign up today! National Read a Book Day is September 6th, National Video Game Day is September 12th, National Batman Day is September 15th, National Hispanic Heritage Month begins September 15 - October 15, Banned Books Week is September 22 - 28

Night @ the Library: Tuesday, September 3rd at 7pm. Christina Barbachano: Montana Wanderer and Artist.

Christina is a professionally trained artist who loves to paint, weave, and s



culpt. She is deeply inspired by the landscapes, stories, and inhabitants of Montana and the surrounding region. Come listen to her talk about her artwork and her art journey.

Blackfoot Easy Access Computer Training: Tuesday, October 15th:

Level 1: 9am - noon. Level 2: 1-4pm.

Blackfoot customers may register for free training by calling 541-5000.

Space is limited, so make sure you reserve your seat early!

After School: There is lots to do at the library after school! Kids can read books, magazines, make puzzles, play board games, and do oodles of activities on the Tinker Time Cart. Join us Tuesdays for Lego Club.

Story Hour: Wednesdays at 11:00 starting October 2nd

Megan Miller is attending Montana State Library's Ready2Read Extravaganza! Join her in October for all new stories, and activities to increase early literacy for your child!

<https://m.facebook.com/Drummond-Library-Story-Hour-Summer-Reading-Program-442651946170983> Contact the library to receive text reminders through REMIND.

Knit Wits: September 10th at 7pm: The knitting group is starting up again! Bring your latest project and knit along with the others or start a project with tips and ideas.

Meet Libby! Did you know your local library has thousands of e-books and audiobooks? You can borrow them instantly, for free, using just the device in your hand. Get the app for your phone or tablet. It takes just a few taps to find and borrow a title. Visit meet.libbyapp.com to watch a brief video, stop by your library, or call 288-3700 for more information.



Shoutbomb!

[Manage your Library Account](#) by Text Message with Shoutbomb!

Instructions are on the Drummond Library homepage. <http://drummondlibrary.org> Text your account number and pin to msc@shoutbomb.com and you will receive notifications on your cell. Great for parents of elementary students too!

Book Clubs: Between the Covers:(Last Tuesday) at 7pm: September 24th
Feed n' Read: 2nd Wednesday, September 11 at 2pm bring your favorite read and something tasty to share.

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Missoulian is online! Patrons can now read the Missoulian online by logging on at the library. Access and passwords are available at the circulation desk.

Ancestry.com/Newspapers.com: Drummond students and library patrons will receive Ancestry.com and Newspapers.com FREE for a year! Log on in the library or classroom to view ancestry records or various editions of newspaper records from Newspapers.com. You can also use Heritage Quest remotely with your library account.

Seed Library! You can get seeds at the library! Much like a lending library for books, your library offers vegetable, herb, and flower seeds for your home garden! All you need is your library card. Ask about our Seed Library!

Community Conversations about Alzheimer's meets on the last Monday of each month at 1:30 pm. **The Walk to End Alzheimer's will be Saturday, September 28th in Missoula.** Sign up with Bookin' It! to help find a cure! Students are planning a Purple event during Titan Football and Trojan Volleyball to raise awareness. Join us September 20th for Titan Football and September 21st for Lady Trojan Volleyball to promote Alzheimer's! Next meeting: Monday, September 30th at 1:30p