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Happy New Year

Happy New Year, everyone! I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Christmas break. To help children be successful after a long break, it is important to get the family back on a regular routine. It's a challenge, to be sure. A set homework time and a regular bed time are key, and truly help students be at their best at school. Your support is always appreciated.

Unbelievably, we are also entering the time of year that we begin to do some forecasting about September. We have already received a number of Regular and French Kindergarten registrations. *If you know of any children who will be 5 years old by the end of 2021, please remind their parents to get their child registered at their neighbourhood school as soon as possible.* Please visit the District website: www.sd33.bc.ca/registration.

School Goal

To increase our critical thinking in Literacy, Numeracy, and Social Responsibility.

Inclement Weather

The decision to close schools due to inclement weather is made by our superintendent, and announcements will be made on the district website [www.sd33.bc.ca] and on local radio. Please do not call the school.

Early French Immersion

You can apply online any time at <https://sd33.bc.ca/registration>. All applications received by 12:00 pm on January 8th, 2021 will be included in our lottery draw.

This is a snapshot of events on the horizon. Please keep your eyes on the website for details and updates.

Important Dates

Jan 4: First Day of 2021

Jan 8: EFI application deadline

Feb 3: Global School Play Day

Feb 11: Early Dismissal

Feb 15: Family Day

Feb 19: Pro-D Day

Feb 24: Pink Shirt Day

Mar 12: Term Two Reports

Mar 13-28: Spring Break

Student Illness

Thank you to parents for continuing to keep your children at home if they are feeling ill, and doing your part to protect our students, staff and each other by wearing masks when you come on school property. The measures we are taking are working. But remember, this is a marathon, and there is still quite a way to go. We all need to stay focused, and continue to adhere to the health measures in place.

Parking Lot

Thank you for your continued patience in and around our parking lot. Please remember, we have adequate supervision before school, and you do not need to rush in the morning. Similarly, there's no need to rush at the end of the day. I know many of you arrive very early to get parking. However, if you have the flexibility in your schedule, I invite you to wait until 2:20 - 2:25 pm. Once the buses are gone, our parking lot becomes very quiet. Your kids will be safe waiting a few extra minutes.

PAC Meeting

Our monthly PAC meetings are now being held virtually via Zoom. Everyone is welcome to join us. The link will be mailed out to all families and posted to Facebook in advance of the meeting.

Coming Soon

We have so many fun, fascinating, and exciting things on the go through February and March. Here's a preview of some of what we have in store. Updated information will be provided as we approach the various events. Please keep informed by checking our website regularly.

Global School Play Day

Wednesday, February 3rd marks the seventh annual Global School Play Day. To show our support for this initiative, our teachers will be dedicating one hour during the course of the day to pure, simple, unstructured and creative play.



How this looks in each class will be a little different, and your child's teacher may have additional information for you. In general, though, we invite students to bring their favourite toy or board game to share with friends. Please don't send anything that is too fragile or expensive, and please, no electronics! For more details, <http://www.globalschoolplayday.com/>.

Carnaval d'hiver

Starting on February 5th and continuing to February 14th, the Québec winter carnival, a fine example of québécoise tradition and culture, will be celebrated. We will of course have to take a lower key approach to our celebrations this year. We will



have further details to share towards the end of the month. In the meantime, for more information about the *carnaval d'hiver de Québec*, visit <http://carnaval.qc.ca/en/>.

Pro-D Days and Early Dismissal

We have an Early Dismissal Day on February 11th, when the students are dismissed at 11:14 am. More details will be provided closer to the date. The Pro-D Day on February 19th is a District-wide day, so all schools across District 33 are not in session.

Pink Shirt Day

Wednesday, February 24th is national Pink Shirt Day. This Pink Shirt Day, our focus is working together and treating others with dignity and respect. The COVID-19 pandemic has affected us all and shown the importance of helping one another and advocating for those who need it. For more information on this day, and to order t-shirts and other gear to mark the day, visit <http://pinkshirtday.ca/>.



Chilliwack
School District

Student Daily Health Check

First Name: _____		Last Name: _____	
Date: _____		School: _____	
Parent/Guardian: _____			
1. Symptoms of Illness*	Does your child have any of the following symptoms?	CIRCLE ONE	
	Fever	YES	NO
	Chills	YES	NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO
	Shortness of breath	YES	NO
	Sore throat	YES	NO
	Runny nose / stuffy nose	YES	NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO
	Headache	YES	NO
	Fatigue	YES	NO
	Diarrhea	YES	NO
	Loss of appetite	YES	NO
	Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO
	Muscle aches	YES	NO
	Conjunctivitis (pink eye)	YES	NO
	Dizziness, confusion	YES	NO
Abdominal pain	YES	NO	
Skin rashes or discoloration of fingers or toes	YES	NO	
2. International Travel	Have you or anyone in your household returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
3. Confirmed Contact	Are you or is anyone in your household a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	YES	NO

If your child answered “YES” to any of the questions and the symptoms are not related to a pre-existing condition (e.g. allergies) they should **NOT** come into school. Notify the school office of the absence and if you are experiencing any symptoms of illness, contact a health-care provider for further assessment. This includes 8- 1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner.

If you answered “YES” to questions 2 or 3, use the [COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool](#) to determine if you should be tested for COVID-19.