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Newsletters

We aim to get newsletters out to you by email once a week (usually on Fridays). There may be occasions when emails are sent on a different day (like this week), or there isn't an email for a week, but newsletters will most often be on a Friday. They are always posted on the school's website (spulukwuks.sd38.bc.ca) under the "Newsletters" tab.



Transitional Learning

Parents of students who are doing **Transitional Learning (TL)** should receive an email on Friday with more information, including times students are expected to be online. The School District has revised the original plan that was provided to you electronically. TL begins on September 21st.

Re-entry to School

Our next re-entry date to school is Oct. 13th and we would like to see our **Transitional Learners** make the transition back to school. Please inform the office by Oct. 6th of your intent to return on Oct. 13th. We miss you and want to have you back in the classroom!

Health and Safety

All students have had **Health and Safety training at school**, and we hope that you can reinforce and practice at home as well. Proper hand hygiene is critical for staying healthy.

The School District has ordered child-sized **reusable masks** for each student, but due to manufacturing delays, the masks have not arrived yet. In the meantime, if students require a disposable mask, please have them ask at the office.

Illness

This time of year is the beginning of our typical cold and flu season, and we can expect that there will be some illness in our community. Hopefully, with all the extra handwashing we are doing, we can keep those numbers lower than usual. If someone becomes sick at school, we have protocols for cleaning and for keeping that person distanced from others until they leave the building. Please ensure that your contact numbers are up to date with the office and that we are able to reach you if necessary.



The BC CDC has introduced changes to the **Mandatory Daily Health Declaration Process**. The process now identifies **KEY** symptoms of illness that fall under this self-assessment process, for both staff and students. It also introduces changes to when a health assessment is recommended.

If someone has one symptom (excluding fever), that person should stay home for 24 hours after the start of the symptom and can return once the individual is well enough. If two or more symptoms are present, or if a fever is present, a health assessment is required before returning to school. Please read the attachment carefully.

All employees (as well as students, with their families, where applicable) must undertake the Mandatory Health Declaration Process EVERY DAY before coming to school/work. The updated poster setting out the requirement is attached to this email for ease of reference.

Drop Off and Pick Up

Thank you, parents/guardians for helping to make drop off go smoothly in the morning! We appreciate that you are only using the drop off lane for drop off and are heading on your way so that others can drop off their children as well. Thank you also for being on time to pick up your children. It is very important that children are supervised after school so that you know who they are coming into contact with.

Parking Spaces

Please do not use the staff parking lot to drop off and/or pick up your children. The spots are for staff and District use only. The only exception is for people displaying a valid handicapped pass.

We have two spots available for those parents/guardians/caregivers who have been issued an official Parking Permit due to a disability. Please note that use of the pass is dependent on the transportation of the person with the disability and not for general use by other family members.



Lunch and Outside Play Times

This year, students will be going outside two times a day for 30 minutes each time. Our school population has been divided to reduce the number of students outside at one time. Lunch will be eaten in the classroom with the teacher and outside play times are listed below. Please do not come to the school to visit with your child during outside times, as we are committed to limiting student contact to school staff during the school day.

Remember that students will be going **outside** every day, **rain or shine**. Please ensure that your children bring the appropriate clothing to school in the morning, as we cannot permit the drop off of items left at home.



Lunch 1 11:00 - 11:30 AND 12:30 - 1:00

Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14

Lunch 2 11:30 - 12:00 AND 1:00 - 1:30

Division 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17

From our PAC...

The first PAC meeting of this year will be held this **Thursday, September 17th** at 6:30pm on Zoom. In preparation for the meeting, please find attached the Minutes from the last meeting and the Agenda for this week's meeting. When you join the Zoom meeting, we ask that you enter your name, your child's name and division(s).

Topic: Spul' u'kwuks PAC Meeting

Time: Sep 17, 2020 06:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://sd38.zoom.us/j/67705217089>

Meeting ID: 677 0521 7089

Passcode: 842904



The next PAC meeting will be on **October 15th** at 6:30pm, with the AGM to be held at 7pm on the same day. The electronic form of nomination will be sent out before the AGM. All the nomination forms will go to PAC email: spulpac@gmail.com

We will only accept the nominees sending the application forms. There is no nomination on site for this year because it's not easy to notice and count ballots in a large group of people during a zoom meeting.