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REMEMBRANCE DAY



Our Remembrance Day ceremony will be held next Wednesday, November 10th at 9:55. We have decided to pre-record the ceremony to avoid the technical issues that often accompany live broadcasts. Next Tuesday, we will email a program along with a link that will allow you to access the event on Nov. 10th. The link will be live for that day only. At school, we are going to have all our classes begin watching the recording at the same time. You may either watch along with us, or with your family later in the day.

Did you know that Nov. 8th is National Aboriginal Veterans Day and that thousands of Aboriginal Canadians have served for Canada for over 200 years? From the Veterans Affairs Canada website, "The story of Indigenous service in the First and Second World Wars, the Korean War and later Canadian Armed Forces efforts is a proud one. While exact numbers are elusive, it has been estimated that as many as 12,000 First Nations, Métis and Inuit people served in the great conflicts of the 20th century, with at least 500 of them sadly losing their lives". To learn more, visit this link: <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/people-and-stories/indigenous-veterans>

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

As mentioned in previous newsletters, Kindergarten registration for the 2022-2023 school year is now open. If your child already attending Spul'ukwuks has a younger sibling (born in 2017) starting school next September, we encourage you to register as soon as possible within the Priority 1 period to ensure that we have space for your child. Please refer to our website for important deadlines related to registration, transfers, District Programs, etc.

As per district policy, a student will normally attend their catchment school based on where their parents or legal guardians reside unless

there is no physical, resource or program space available. This provision may need to be applied more frequently, potentially resulting in more students needing placement outside their catchment school.



COMMUNICATING STUDENT LEARNING (REPORT CARDS)

As you are aware, there are two ways that teachers may share information with you about your child's learning (portfolios or traditional report cards). This year, we have two divisions that will be using portfolios to communicate student learning (Div. 6 and 7). Parents of students in those divisions will access a Mid-Year Summary of learning on Friday, February 11th. You have been emailed a letter providing you with more information, and you are invited to a Parent Information Session on Nov. 9th (see below). The rest of the divisions will be providing traditional report cards on either Friday, November 26th or Monday, November 29th.

For all reports this year, parents will access the reports electronically on the date indicated by the classroom teacher using either the Portfolio or their MyEd login. We will not be sending home paper copies of report cards. Please keep a copy of your child's report for your records. If you cannot access your child's reports electronically, please contact the office.

THANK YOU FROM SAVAGE SOCIETY



For those who were part of our school community last year, you may remember that we had a student-led fundraiser to support the residents of Lytton after the fire that destroyed almost the entire village. We received a thank you card from Savage Society, the organization that accepted and distributed our donations. The print on the front of the card (shown left) was designed by Malo:yhleq, a Stō:lo/St'át'imc/Nlaka'pamux multimedia artist based in New Westminster.

"Thank you so much for holding a fundraiser for the Lytton Relief Fund. Your generosity and support is incredible and so touching. These funds have been shared directly with those most impacted."

PARENT EVENING FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

On November 17th at 6:30pm, the School District will host a Kindergarten Information Evening for parents of students with disabilities and diverse abilities via Zoom (for students beginning Kindergarten in September 2022). Please use the link below to join the webinar:

<https://sd38.zoom.us/j/68077282866>

Webinar ID: 680 7728 2866

Passcode: 6000



COMMUNICATING STUDENT LEARNING PARENT SESSION

Are you interested in learning about:

- How assessment and reporting are evolving?
- The connection between the curriculum and reporting?
- How assessment supports learning?
- How student learning is communicated with families?

On Tuesday, November 9th from 6:30 – 7:30pm, you are invited to join Jane MacMillan, Executive Director of Learning Services, and Lynn Archer, Assistant Superintendent, on a Zoom webinar to learn about current assessment and reporting practices in Richmond and BC.

For this school year, most of our classes are preparing traditional report cards, however, there are going to be changes to how we communicate student learning next school year. All parents are invited to learn more about curriculum, assessment and reporting through this webinar.

<https://sd38.zoom.us/j/66990181411>

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PAC HOT LUNCH

The [Munch-A-Lunch](#) ordering system is open now for parents to order PAC hot lunch for their children. The hot lunch dates for November are Monday, November 15th and Monday, November 29th. **The cut off to order is 1 week before** – so please make sure to log on and order so you don't miss the deadline for our first hot lunch date!



WINTER BREAK DAY CAMPS

Tomorrow's Topkids Child Care is offering day camps during our Winter Break. If you are interested, check out the schedule here: <https://ttk.org/spulukwuks-winter-vacation/> Registration opens next Friday (November 12th).

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov. 8	Deadline to order PAC hot lunch for Nov.15
Nov. 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day Holiday – School Closed
Nov. 15	PAC Hot Lunch
Nov. 22	Professional Day – No school for students
Nov. 24	Gr. 6 and 7 Immunizations
Nov. 25	PAC Meeting 9:30am
Nov. 26 <u>OR</u>	Report Cards Home
Nov. 29	Report Cards Home
Nov. 29	PAC Hot Lunch
Dec. 1	Virtual Family Evening Event
Dec. 3	Last Day of School Before Winter Break
Jan. 4	First Day of Term 2

