

Mrs. Elaine Stapleton Principal

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STUDENT ATTENDANCE IN SEPTEMBER



If your plans for September have changed and your child(ren) will no longer be attending Spul'u'kwuks, please let the office know as soon as possible. We have students waiting for a place and we need to know what spaces are available for new students. Thank you!

CLASS PLACEMENT FORMS

Don't forget that if you are submitting a form for class placement, <u>it is due to the office</u> on **Friday, June 30**th. You may contact the office to request a form. Please see last week's newsletter for more information about class placements and combined classes.

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RICHMOND COSOM FLOOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



Richmond Cosom Floor Hockey has been around for 45+ years and they offer affordable, non-contact indoor sports for children five and up. All games and practices are held in indoor Richmond school gyms. They aim to promote the sport, support the community, educate kids on active lifestyles, and teach them to be productive members of the community through volunteer work. The goal is for children to learn hockey skills in a fun, safe, non-contact environment, and the skills can be transferred to other forms of hockey, like ball hockey, field hockey, street hockey, and ice hockey, for example. See

the attached flyer for contact information.

PARENTS AND PROBLEM SOLVING

What do you do if you child comes home and expresses that they are having a problem with another child? If it happens, you may find yourself wondering about the best way to address it. Keep in mind that conflict is not always a bad thing...with support, children can learn to solve problems in an appropriate manner, which is a necessary life skill, but knowing when to step in is also a challenge for parents. It's not easy being a parent but keeping the following "helpful" and "not helpful" tips in mind could go a long way in helping your child.

Helpful:

- Being open to hearing your child explain their concern to you
- Being curious; ask what happened before, during and after the incident
- Talking to your child about the "size of the problem"; minor concerns should be handled differently than large ones
- Remembering that most issues have two sides; you may not know everything there is to know
- Speaking to your child calmly about the problem, even if you are upset
- Asking what strategies your child has tried to use independently
- Discussing peaceful ways to address the issue
- Asking if your child has spoken to the teacher and encouraging them to report
- Making an appointment to speak privately to your child's teacher if necessary
- Time and space. What seems like a big problem today may not look the same tomorrow
- Treating others as you would want to be treated; both adults and kids make mistakes!

Not helpful:

- Speaking negatively about other children/parents to your child or other people
- Confronting other children/parents
- Encouraging your child to respond with violence
- Gossiping or using social media to talk about other children or their parents
- Contacting the parents of the other student if it happened at school, let the school sort it out. We'll keep you in the loop and work together.



Remember, if you are not sure about a situation, please ask! Talk to your child's classroom teacher, and if you require more help, you may contact Mrs. Stapleton or Mr. Narbett.



This **THINK** poster can be useful when thinking about and discussing our actions. It's easy to justify behaviour when we think with our emotions, but if we ask ourselves these questions and can't answer "yes" to all of them, then a shift in our behaviour is required. It applies to both children and adults, so observe or think about a situation and consider how the situation might have turned out differently if people were able to answer "yes" to everything they said!

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY FUNDRAISING



At our assembly on Wednesday, we kicked off a fundraiser to raise money for an Indigenous foundation. Any student who donates will be entered in a draw to win a special prize! The class that raises the most money will choose who receives the money: UNYA (Urban Native Youth Association), Spirit Bear Caring Foundation, or a Musqueam foundation. The fundraiser is now open on <u>CashOnline</u> and will remain open until July 1st, Canada Day. After that, we will announce the winning division! We hope you can help us take steps toward reconciliation!

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

June 30	Canada Day Run at school
July 1	Canada Day (Saturday)
July 3	Canada Day Holiday (School Closed)
July 7	Sports Day (Friday)
July 10	Sports Day Rainout Day (Monday)
July 12	Spirit Day
July 26	Last Day for Students (2:45 Dismissal)
July 26	Grade 7 Lunch and Farewell

