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WE SPARKLE!

The challenge for next week is to "get together with some friends to pick up litter in the neighbourhood". It would be wonderful to see our neighbourhood clean!

Kindness Shout Outs to the students below who are being recognized for their Random Acts of Kindness:

Eudora (Div. 14) for always being kind and polite!
Valerie (Div. 15) for playing with a friend who was by themselves!
Eason (Div. 11) who tried to cheer up a sad student!
Daniel (Div. 12) for cleaning up a spill!
Wayne (Div. 1) for trading iPads to help a student in need!
Yanice (Div. 10) for helping to clean the class!
Nicole H. (Div. 2) for being so supportive of her little buddy!
Charlie (Div. 7) who stayed to help clean up in gym!
Nathan (Div. 5) who was kind and helpful to his little buddy!
Natalie (Div. 3) for building community!
Ethan (Div. 1) for offering a calculator to another student!
Jackson (Div. 5) for helping push his little buddy on the seal at ice skating!
Mikayla and Josephine (Div. 5) for taking extra care to organize the iPad cart!

BE PREPARED FOR COMING BACK TO SCHOOL

When we return in May the weather will be warmer than it is now. Make sure your children have what they need to be comfortable outside. A hat, water bottle, sunscreen, and cooler clothing are important for our third term. Don't forget we can still get rain in warmer weather, so outside shoes/boots and a waterproof jacket or poncho (sold at the dollar store) are still key items to have.

REPORT CARDS

On Monday, parents and guardians will receive an email to inform them that student report cards are available to view, print, and download. Don't forget that there is a window of time to access and download the reports. Please make sure to log on and download the report(s) before May 20th.

COMMUNITY FRIDGE

Our community fridge is now empty and won't be restocked until after our break. As requested in a previous newsletter, please talk to your kids about the intent of the fridge:

- Our choices affect the whole school.
- There is only a certain amount of food each delivery. When it runs out, there is no more food until the next delivery.
- The food is SHARED.
- We are all responsible for making sure those who need food get it
- There is not enough for everyone, because we know that not everyone NEEDS it. We do not use the fridge because we don't like our lunch or because we "feel like" having a snack.
- We don't take from the fridge just because it is "free".
- Thank you for your support!

ESTABLISHING SAFE, CARING, AND RESPECTFUL DIGITAL COMMUNITIES

Recommended for Parents/Caregivers/Grandparents and youth aged 10 and up to facilitate the conversation of safe and caring use of technology at home and in the community (60-minute session). We recommend that ALL guardians attend one of these sessions. We have seen that there is a need for more information in our community. If your children are not yet 10 years old, you can attend by yourself. Families who are not informed or prepared can easily become victims. There are three upcoming sessions to choose from: March 26, April 10, or April 16. You can register here: https://pages.saferschoolstogether.com/erase-family-session

This session covers all things digital, from how to be a good digital citizen, the criminal consequences of cyberbullying, and how to report and receive support in cases of sexting/sextortion. Some of the most prominent concerns currently surrounding use of social media platforms, smartphones, and artificial intelligence will be discussed.

erase EXPECT RESPECT & A SAFE EDUCATION

Families will learn:

- Digital media habits, oversharing, and digital addiction
- The permanence of online posts/activity
- The significance of your digital tattoo in how others perceive you (e.g., sports teams, college admissions, and potential employers)
- The importance of caring for peers both online and offline
- Geo-locational settings and the dangers of social media and cell phone misuse
- The social and legal consequences of cyberbullying behaviour as well as possession and distribution of intimate images (sexting and sextortion)
- An anonymous student reporting tool that can help you and your friends stay safe both online and offline

DON'T FORGET...

- EARLY LEARNING FOR FAMILIES (ELFF) on April 8th and 9th. See the Feb. 15th newsletter.
- STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY FOR GR. 4 AND 7 PARENTS. Check your email.
- Make sure your child is dressed for COLD AND WET WEATHER.

• Pack **CUTLERY** in your child's lunch. Hot lunch does NOT come with cutlery, so please make sure to send cutlery each day.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

March 22	Spirit Day
March 22	Family Teams Activity
March 25	Report Cards posted
March 28	Last day of school
	(Thursday)
March 29	Good Friday: School Closed
April 1	Spring Break
April 29	Back to School!

CONNECT WITH SPUL'U'KWUKS PAC

If you would like to get in touch with our Spul'u'kwuks PAC, use this QR Code to send a message and find out more about what PAC does and how you can get involved.



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Be a host for an international student for a month, semester or year. Richmond International Education (RIE) Homestay Program is looking for local families to offer a welcoming home.

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