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SPARKLE OVER SPRING BREAK!

Attached to this newsletter is a Kindness Challenge for your families to participate in over the break. See how many acts of kindness you can do individually, and as a family! Have a wonderful spring break! See you back at school on Monday, April 29!

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

Rocky (Div. 1) for volunteering to take care of technology!

Patton (Div. 3) for tidying!

Elaine (Div. 16) for saying, "Thank you!" to the bus driver!

Claire (Div. 11) for getting an ice pack for a friend!

Hayden S. (Div. 3) for helping tidy up without being asked!

Zachary (Div. 4) for helping another student clean up his work area!

Garen (Div. 6) for supporting a friend with math!

Flora (Div. 12) for being polite and pushing in her chair!

Aria (Div. 13) for welcoming a classmate and asking her to join in!

Amelia (Div. 10) for helping to clean the class!





FAMILY TEAMS: GARDEN OF GREATNESS!

Last Friday afternoon, we met in the gym to review our activity and then students gathered in our multi-age Family Teams. We talked about our positive attributes and interests and every student created their own flower with their selected attributes and interests. Together, we created a Garden of Greatness, highlighting all the positive qualities and interests our students bring to school. There is a "garden" full of flowers in each wing of the school to remind us how amazing Spul'u'kwuks students are!



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 received an email to inform them that student report cards are available to view, print, and download. Don't forget to do this as soon as you are able to, as your online access will end on May 13th. Parent Portal instructions are attached to this newsletter.



FAMILY DISCUSSIONS FOR OVER THE BREAK

Please help us out by having conversations with your children...

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!

PLEASE PACK A SNACK FOR RECESS!

We have many students asking for food because they don't have a snack for recess. Please ask your child if they get hungry before lunch, and if they do, pack a snack for them. Fresh fruit is always a good choice! As you can see from our Community Fridge message above, we have many more students taking food than those who need it, and we require your help for our students to understand this concept.

DON'T FORGET...

- SIGN UP FOR AN ERASE FAMILY SESSION on digital safety and citizenship (March 21 Newsletter)
- EARLY LEARNING FOR FAMILIES (ELFF) on April 8 and 9 (Feb. 15 Newsletter)
- Make sure your child is dressed for WARM AND WET WEATHER
- Pack **CUTLERY** in your child's lunch

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

March 25 Report Cards home

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.





