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## Newsletter \#6 <br> February 3, 2020

Office hours are 8:30 am to 3:30 pm
THIS IS AN IMPORTANT NOTICE. PLEASE HAVE SOMEONE TRANSLATE IT



## Reminders/Calendar

February 5
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February 12
February 13
February 14
February 17
February 27

Ready, Set, Learn (AM)
Busing meeting in Gym at 5:30 PM
PAC Meeting 6PM
Valentine's Dance PM (No Assembly this week)
Professional Day-No School for Students
Family Day-School Closed-(No Assembly this week)
Pink T-Shirt Day-Assembly (No Friday assembly)

Planning ahead.... Early Dismissals March 4 and 5 (2PM)
Professional Day March 6-No School for Students
School ends on March 13 for Spring Break and resumes
March 30 at the Admiral Seymour swing site

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

. Just a reminder that we send our students out rain or shine so they need to come dressed for any weather; also, if your child tends to get wet outside (you know who you are!) to please send along a change of clothes that we can keep in the classroom for that eventuality. Please see the Seismic Mitigation section below for all the real news!
With respect,
Bruce

## PAC MEETING DATES

All PAC meetings are at 6pm in our school library.

- February 12, 2020
- March 11, 2020

Location TBA

- April 8, 2020
- May 13, 2020
- June 10, 2020


## MOVING??

It's hard to believe but we are already well into the process of planning for the 2020-21 school year. If you plan on moving or attending elsewhere next year, could you please let the office know as soon as you possibly could so that we can start firming up our numbers for planning purposes. A form will be sent home with your child soon. Thank you!

## STUDENT ABSENCE REPORTING

Please remember to report absences by dialing 604-713-5159 and then entering the school code 49\#. (This is a change in procedure as you now have to include \#). You may do this 24/7. Students who arrive at school AFTER attendance is taken are reminded to come to the office to get a welcome slip so their teacher knows we have recorded their arrival.

## THANK YOU!

A special heartfelt thank you to Tina Lee and her amazing crew who put on the book fair. Their combined efforts raised over $\$ 1100$ in cash and books for the library. Thanks so much!

## SEISMIC MITIGATION

We are well into the purge and pack. Some boxes will begin migrating from Maquinna to our Seymour swing site next week. Please ensure all library books are returned to the school as Ms Kwok has already shut the library down for some preliminary work (our entire library is going into storage!)

Some important details for you to note:
Busing meeting will be held this Wednesday, February 5 , at $5: 30$ pm in the gym. Michael Rossi, District Principal of Educational Planning will be here to explain the busing procedure.

There will be a busing form sent home electronically and in paper form on Thursday, February 6. Please return this form as quickly as possible.

Students and staff will all have the opportunity to visit the Seymour facilities later in February. This will also be an opportunity for students to practice boarding and exiting buses and proper bus etiquette.

Our phone and email contacts remain the same. The school address will be: 1130 Keefer St, V6A 1 Z3.

Grades K-5 will be located in the big yellow frame building facing Vernon Street. Grades $6 / 7$ will be on the top floor of the "newer" school. Mrs. Mah and I will be located primarily in the Seymour office which will become shared space.

Our final day of school at the Maquinna site will be Friday, March 13. Our first day at the Seymour site will be Monday, March 30. At that point our schedule will change due to students being bused. Maquinna students will start school at 8:45 and finish at 2:45. Our recess will slide back to 10:30 but our lunch hour will remain unchanged (12-12:47).

