### Professional Development Day next Wednesday, January 17- no school for students

Oressing for the weather

VSB parking north and south parking lots

Grades 4 and 7 Student Learning Survey for Parents

Grade 8 Information Nights

### **Dressing for the weather**

It has been a chilly if not downright frigid end to the week! Communication through various platforms has highlighted the very real possibility of frostbite due to the plummeting temperatures. We are not use to such weather on a regular basis and therefore may not as prepared to our province and territory neighbours to the north and east of us. With that said, I encourage everyone to ensure mittens, hats and scarves are tucked in coat pockets along with wearing thick socks and dressing in layers!





Good choices for outside!



## Pedestrian activity in parking lots

There has been an increase of students walking through parking lots typically after school around 3:00. This presents challenges for drivers exiting these parking lots. Teachers do remind students not to walk through the parking lots as it presents a safety issue. There are no pedestrian lines in these lots and visibility can pose a real concern during inclement weather. Please continue to remind your children not to walk through the parking lots, with focus on the south lot by the YMCA, and model the safe walking pattern of either entering the school site via the playground or along Selkirk Street.



### **Grades 4 and 7 Student Learning Survey for Parents**

Each year the Ministry of Education provides a Student Learning Survey for parents/caregivers who have children in grades 4, 7 10 and 12.

The parent, guardian/caregiver survey is now available online www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\_survey/access.htm and is available in 18 different languages. The survey will be available until Friday, May 3rd, and will take approximately 30 minutes to complete. Your responses are voluntary and anonymous, and your child will not be identified as a result of your participation in the survey. Any personal or identifying information will be deleted before results are stored. Data will be stored and accessible only within Canada.

The results of the parent and guardian/caregiver SLS survey will be available through the Ministry of Education and Child Care website (https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey) in summer 2024.

For live links and a more robust understanding of the survey please open the attachment in this email.

# **Grade 8 Information nights**

While many of our grade 7 students attend various secondary schools across the city, the majority either attend Eric Hamber or Churchill. Here is information regarding these two schools. Coincidentally they fall on the same date! Please check VSB Secondary school websites for information on other schools.



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

HAMBER'S PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT FOR REGULAR PROGRAM

ON

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 6:00 p.m.

In the

Hamber Secondary School Auditorium
5025 Willow Street

Please come and learn about your child's High School and our programs, facilities and activities.



Sir Winston Churchill Secondary

Gr 7 Parent Info Night

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

**AUDITORIUM** 

French Immersion Program Info 6:00-6:45pm

> English Program Info 7:00-8:00pm

Enjoy the weekend, Rosemary Thomas Principal at Osler

