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šxwəxwa?əs Thunderbird Families:

This weekend is Mother's Day. Mother's Day offers a moment to honouring the women in our lives that have influenced and nurtured us. Whether it's your mom, grandma, a favorite aunt or friend, the women our lives are integral in shaping and defining us in ways both large and small. We thank you for all you do.

Bike to School week is fast approaching, and the Thunderbird PAC will be hosting the 2nd Annual Thunderbird School Bike Fest on **Wednesday**, **Jun 5th**, **2024**, **3:00pm-4:30pm**. Please see the poster attached.

This May and as the weather gets sunnier and warmer, Public Health is promoting the Canadian Dermatology Association's month-long sun awareness campaign, part of National Sun Awareness Month. <u>Sun Awareness Month - Canadian Dermatology Association</u>. The campaign informs Canadians about the importance of self-skin examinations and the simple steps that can be taken to protect themselves and their families from the sun's harmful ultraviolet radiation exposure. Check out the link above. Throughout the month, the CDA will be sharing important sun awareness messages and resources for Canadians, including steps to conduct a self-examination and preventative actions. This year is focused on protecting children and adolescents; the campaign encourages Canadians to not only educate themselves on effective sun protection behaviors but also to embrace lifestyle changes that contribute to long-term skin health. As we head into summer, it is important to protect ourselves as we enjoy the sunny weather!

Lastly, if you're a Canucks or hockey fan, I hope you have the opportunity to watch the game this evening. It's great to see the electricity and excitement in and around Vancouver supporting their home team. It's too bad this series hosts the last two Canadian teams in the hunt for the Stanley Cup; but at least we know that at least one Canadian team will be advancing to the next round... Go Canucks go!

With that, have a safe and restful weekend,

Brad Toews Principal Šx<sup>w</sup>əx<sup>w</sup>a?əs Thunderbird Elementary School

"I kept always two books in my pocket, one to read, one to write in." - Robert Louis Stevenson

# **Important Dates**

- Sunday, May 12, 2024: Mother's Day
- Monday, May 20, 2024: Victoria Day Statutory Holiday No School
- Friday, May 24, 2024: Sport's Day in the morning
- Friday, May 31, 2024: PAC Morning Coffee and Books for Breakfast
- Wednesday, June 5, 2024: BIKE FEST hosted by the PAC @ 3:00 pm southside of school
- Wednesday, June 5, 2024: PAC AGM @ 6:00 pm in the library
- Wednesday, June 19, 2024: SPRING CARNIVAL hosted by the PAC @ 4:30 pm 7:00pm
- Sunday, June 16, 2024: Father's Day
- Thursday, June 20, 2024: Grade 7 Moving Forward Ceremony AM
- Friday, June 21, 2024: National Indigenous People's Day
- Monday, June 24, 2024: Report Card #3 Goes Home
- Wednesday, June 26, 2024: School Picnic Sunrise Park
- Thursday, June 27, 2024: Last of School

# **Safe Arrival**

If your child will be absent or late, please call **604-713-5159 Ext. 81** or Email **tbrdattendance@vsb.bc.ca** by 9:00 AM.

Please do not call the school office.

# **PAC News**

The Thunderbird Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is now up and running for the 2023-2024 school year. The PAC is a great way to become involved in your child's educational and school life and contribute to the school. The PAC's main roles are to promote the education and welfare of students, encourage parent involvement in the school, advise the school on matters relating to the school, and contribute to a sense of community within the school and between the school, home, and neighbourhood. Our meetings are typically held on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm and last approximately an hour, from September to June.

The next Friday Morning PAC Coffee @ 8:45 am is May 26, 2024.

The next PAC meeting of the school year is **Wednesday**, **June 5**, **6-7 pm** in the library. Dinner and babysitting provided. RSVP by returning the paper form sent home or emailing <u>pac\_tbrd@vsb.bc.ca</u>.

PAC Information and meeting minutes can be found: HERE

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