

Sunday, April 28th, 2024

Good afternoon, Sardis Families. I don't know if this is because I watched the dress rehearsals as well as all 4 of the concerts, but I can't stop singing the songs in my head since last Wednesday! The students did such a great job and the planning done by our concert committee, the work done by staff to practice the songs, and the parent volunteers who helped with prep, and then take-down after the Thursday show, made for a wonderful concert and we thank them all. We also appreciate those who supported the silent auction and/or donated at the door when attending the concert. We raised \$1500 to put towards the new spinner! Here are some things for you to know as we head into week #35:

- 1) **Monday, April 29th**, is the last day to place your coffee and donut orders for the Grade 3 camp fundraiser. Orders will be available for pick-up after school on Thursday, May 9th.
- 2) Students will receive milk and apples on **Tuesday, April 30th** from the Agriculture in the Classroom program.
- 3) **Tuesday** is also when we will have a presentation in the afternoon thanks to a grant from the Art Starts program and the district. This year students will be treated to a show from Flo Warrior. This information is from his bio on the Art Starts site: Flo Warrior is a world renowned award winning instructor, multidisciplinary performance artist, and motivational speaker. With a Masters degree in Medical Physics, and over a decade as a professional performance artist, he possesses a powerful blend of academic and artistic backgrounds which he draws upon to connect with, inspire, and empower audiences of all ages. Using his spectacular performance skills and shared love of popular culture (Star Wars, anime, videogames etc...); he has a unique ability to captivate young audiences attention, gain their respect, and impact them with his story. He has pioneered his own unique brand of 'martial artistry' through years of training and dedication to his craft, by combining his passions for dance, martial arts and music; while exploring his cultural heritage as a Japanese Canadian. Having experienced first-hand the power that art has to transform lives for the better, he is on a mission to share the gift of inspiration with the next generation and empower them to find their own unique Path of Purpose in an ever-changing modern world.
- 4) **Wednesday, May 1st**, is the last day to place orders on MunchaLunch for the May 10th White Spot hot lunch. I'm going to place mine after sending this off so I don't forget and miss out!
- 5) The annual district Cross Country Run is taking place up at Cultus Lake Elementary on **Thursday, May 2nd**. Students in Grades 1 – 5 are invited to take part in this run but they will hopefully have been coming to the lunch practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays and have picked up the permission form and info paper that was handed out. We hope to see lots of Skyhawks running that day...and that the rain stays away that day!
- 6) We will have a lockdown drill on **Thursday** afternoon. This is something we're required to practice, and we try to do it as quickly as possible as we know it can be a concern for some students. If you want to talk to your child ahead of the drill to let them know it's just a practice,

that it's important to follow the adult directions when we do it, but that they aren't going to be in any danger, it might be helpful.

- 7) On **Friday, May 3rd** we're having a Star Wars Day. Some of the students have been asking why it's on May the 3rd, when it should be the 4th, but unless they want to come to school on Saturday, Friday it must be!
- 8) For your planning purposes, if you don't have these in your calendar already, Friday May 17th and Friday May 31st are non-instructional days for students and Monday May 20th is the Victoria Day holiday so schools are closed that day.
- 9) Our Character Trait focus for the month of May is being Courageous.
- 10) The final PAC meeting, and AGM, is coming up on Wednesday, May 8th. We'll be holding elections and winding up things for this year. Hope to see you there!

Now I'm going to focus back on the Canucks game, which I'm 'determined' (April Character Trait) to stay positive about, despite being down a goal at this point and not having either of our regular goalies on the bench!

Mrs. Kasper