Good afternoon, Sardis Families. I hope you've been enjoying the first weekend since school began. Being back in school for the day can be an adjustment for everyone and I noticed some rather tired looking children by 2:13 last week! Here are some things for you to take note of as we head into week #2 at Sardis:

*We will be having a <u>freezie sale after school</u> on **Thursday, September 12th.** Students can purchase a jumbo freezie for \$2 with all funds received going to the Cops for Cancer fundraiser. The bike tour will be coming through Sardis on Monday, September 16th and will be making a stop at Sardis Elementary at some point that morning.

*Our <u>Meet the Teacher Open House</u> will be on **Thursday, September 19**th from 5:00 – 6:00. Come on out to meet your child's teacher and enjoy a slice of cheese pizza! Please let me know if your family needs either a dairy free or gluten free slice so we can have that ready for you.

*The hot lunch that was originally scheduled for September 20th is cancelled as it's a bit tight for time this month. This gives you a little more time to set up a MunchaLunch account if you still need to ahead of our October 4th lunch.

*<u>Student Photo Day</u> is **Tuesday, September 24**th, with retakes scheduled for October 21st if your child is away on the 24th. A few weeks after the photos are taken, students will bring home a package with an online order form you can use to place your orders and then photos are delivered directly to your house.

*<u>School supply fees</u> (\$45 per student) can now be brought in if you're going to pay with cash or a cheque (made payable to Sardis Elementary School), however we encourage families to make use of the online payment option if possible. You should have received an email with the instructions for how to access QUICKPAY, however I have attached them to the email, or you can use this link: <u>QUICKPAY</u>.

We have access to funds to support families with this payment, so please either let your child's teacher or me know that you'd like the fee covered and we will take care of that for you.

*Thanks to the PAC parent volunteers who came out each morning and afternoon last week to sell Sardis Swag and the Little Coupon Books, as well as to all of you who purchased something. There are still coupon books available for sale, \$15; order forms will be coming home this week with students, but they are only able to take payment in cash or cheque (made out to Sardis Elementary PAC) now. There are books for Chilliwack and Abbotsford available. These make great Christmas gifts so orders yours this week if you don't want to miss out!

*I have attached the Code of Conduct information to this email as I know that not all teachers have their students use planners. Please take a moment to read through it so you are familiar with our school guidelines and expectations. Our district now has an

Administrative Procedure regarding student cell phone and digital device use which we would specifically like you to be aware of: <u>AP 318</u>

*We're thankful that the Bowls of Hope lunch program has started up already. If your child forgot their lunch or needs lunch, they can go to the kitchen down by the gym at 11:50 and get a bowl of soup and whatever other lunch items the program has provided for the day (ie veggies, crackers).

*Finally, a reminder that cars should not be double parked in the lot, blocking other vehicles in. Students can be dropped off at any point along the curb (our bus comes early so you can pull all the way up to the office side of the school to drop off in the morning) if you can't find a parking spot or you can loop around the lot until a spot becomes available.

We look forward to having our Kindergarten students start to spend more time at school this week and Grade 1 – 5 students getting to know their teachers and classmates now that the classes are set. Now I'm going to go out and do a little more work in the yard to enjoy the last few hours of my Sunday afternoon! Mrs. Kasper