Sunday, November 3, 2024

Good afternoon, Sardis Families. It seems today that most of the devices that keep time automatically adjust for the time change while we sleep, but hopefully you were able to enjoy the extra hour we got last night! Last week I forgot to mention that we had a great PAC meeting on October 23rd, where most of the staff requests were approved. Your support is appreciated, whether that's supporting the PAC fundraisers or coming out to the meetings and makes a difference at our school. Here are some things for you to know as we head into week #10 at Sardis Elementary:

*This week will see our soccer teams finish up the season with their tournament play at Townsend Park. The girls play on Wednesday, November 6th and the boys on Thursday, November 7th, with games starting at 2:50. Thanks to our coaches: Mrs. Cavanagh, Mrs. Kupp, and Ms. Thomson for their time and talents leading the teams. Go Skyhawks!

*I haven't heard from anyone that their child(ren) needs a veggie hotdog or gluten free option for our Lil Joes hotdog day (November 13th) which has been sponsored by MNP. Please let me know if your child would need this by Tuesday, November 5th as I need to let the company know our numbers. The regular hotdogs they serve are pork, not beef, just so everyone knows.

*Wednesday, November 6th at midnight is the last day to place an order for the Mary Browns hot lunch on Friday, November 15th. You might want to order now if you want to, but haven't, so you don't miss that deadline! The MunchaLunch link is on our school website if you are looking for it: <u>Sardis Elementary</u>

*We will have our student Remembrance Day assembly on Thursday, November 7th. This is a time for staff and students to reflect on sacrifices made by our veterans and appreciate the peaceful environment we live in. Due to very limited seating in the gym when all students and staff are in attendance, we are unable to open this assembly up to parents/guardians.

*Friday, November 8th is a non-instructional day for students, with schools in Chilliwack closed that day.

*Monday, November 11th is Remembrance Day, so schools are closed that day. We hope you will be able to either attend a local ceremony that day or watch a televised one in remembrance of those who served.

*We are down to 3 family photo appointment spots available on Tuesday, November 12th so they have opened times on Wednesday, November 13th (4 – 6 pm) for any families that may still be interested in booking but are unable to make the Tuesday appointments. You can reserve your time using the link here if you'd like to book: <u>Sardis Family Photos</u> 100% of the

\$30 sitting fee is returned to our PAC, so this is a great way to support our school and also get a professional family photo, with the option to order more in time for Christmas.

I feel so thankful to be part of this supportive school community. Last Thursday, Meghan S and her very large team of parent volunteers did a fantastic job of cooking, organizing, and delivering the hotdog hot lunch after around 400 students ordered! Ms. Thomson's class also had a very successful bake sale, raising just over \$650, so thank you to all that were able to support that either with baking or toonies! This amount will be matched by The Book Man and funds will be shared amongst the students in the class for book purchases at the store. We're so fortunate to have such a generous community partner supporting literacy initiatives at Sardis Elementary. Finally, it was exciting for the primary students to watch as the district crew began working on the install of our new spinner on their playground. This was purchased by our PAC at the end of June and will soon be available for the students to enjoy!

Mrs. Kasper