Sunday, February 2, 2025

Good afternoon, Sardis Families. It's hard to believe that this is the first snow we've seen this winter, something I know the kids have been disappointed about but maybe not the adults! Here are some things for you to know as we head into week #23 at Sardis Elementary:

*Here is a message from Mrs. Cavanagh, who is organizing Jump Rope for Heart again this year. Thanks for all her work as we look to support the Heart and Stroke Foundation: Our Jump Rope for Heart challenge will begin in PE classes on Monday, February 3rd. Classes will be jumping for two weeks. Our school is excited to raise money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation again. Our school's goal this year is \$3000. If we reach that goal, then any student that raised at least \$25 will get to throw a pie at Mrs. Kasper and all the students will get to switch playgrounds for recess one day. Also, the top fundraiser in the school will win a summer themed prize package.

Thanks for the support. The attached letter has the donation information.

*Friday is our Ready Set Explore event for preschool aged children, from 1 – 2 in the library. Thanks to those who have emailed me already to confirm your attendance; if you plan to attend but haven't let me know yet, please do so before Wednesday so we know how much food to buy.

*Friday is our Subway hot lunch for those who have ordered. We appreciate all the work our volunteers do to enable these lunches to happen for our students!

*Here is some information from Mrs. Nicole Driscoll, Principal of Early Learning and Child Care regarding 2025/26 Before & After School Care:

"Request Forms" are now OPEN for the 2025/26 school year!

If you are interested in Before & After School Care, please visit our <u>SD33 Early Learning and</u> <u>Child Care website</u> and fill out the 2025/26 "Request Form." We will contact families as soon as possible to inform them when spaces become available.

Questions or Comments?

Email:<u>childcare-registration@sd33.bc.ca</u> Call: (604)794-5553 ext. 1402

*Here are a few updates from the Grade 5 Celebration planning committee:

-Canadian Safety supplies order cutoff is tomorrow, Monday, Feb 3rd.

-Home Alone Course – there are only a few seats left for the March 1st class so email Paula Gillis if you would like to sign your Grade 4 or 5 child up. <u>paulagillis@hotmail.ca</u>

-Please watch this week for order forms for an upcoming Candy Gram sale available for purchase on February 13th.

*February is Black History Month. This is an opportunity for students to learn more about the important contributions and history of Black Canadians. If you would like to learn more

at home and share information with your child(ren), the BC Black History Awareness Society site has lots of information and resources: <u>https://bcblackhistory.ca</u>.

*We are excited for Mrs. Bjorndal, our part-time secretary who has been in the office with Mrs. Sumner since September, as she has been hired to be the new secretary at Tyson Elementary beginning on Monday, February 3rd. We will miss her but wish her well as she begins this new position. We're happy to share that Ms. Fagrie will be returning to work at Sardis in her place. Ms. Fagrie will be a familiar face (or voice if you're calling) to many of you as she worked at Sardis last year from January until the end of June.

It was fun to see so many different jerseys at school on Friday. It seems we have lots of Canucks fans, myself included, so let's see what they can do with the second half of the season after those trades were made last week. Hopefully we'll have lots to cheer about! Mrs. Kasper