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January 18, 2024

On the Calendar

Monday, January 29

Professional Development Day – No school for students

Friday, February 2

PAC Treat Day – Bring a Loonie for treat

Please regularly check the [calendar](#) on the [school website](#) for updates and information.

Local Principal Caught Trying to Steal Snowblower

Okay, not *really*, but the thought crossed my mind!

Instead, Ms. Kramell, our daytime caretaker *extraordinaire* and I (mostly Ms. Kramell!) spent big chunks of the last two days trying to keep clear pathways to and from the school grounds. Yesterday, every time we turned around, the path we had just cleared covered itself up as if by magic. We're both changing our middle names to *Sisyphus*. If you see Ms. Kramell, do give her an extra thank you!



We are, of course, hopeful and anticipate we will be open and back to normal operations on Friday morning. As always, if you don't hear otherwise, assume we're open as usual. When in doubt, please check [the school](#) or [school district](#) websites for announcements. As soon as I get official confirmation of a closure, I try to get an email out to families as quickly as possible.

It is always up to parents or caregivers to determine if their own local conditions make it too difficult or unsafe to travel to the school. Please ensure if you are making the decision to stay home when we are open that you contact the school via the absence report or by phone to let us know.

Please note that as of this writing, the snow at the back of the school is quite deep and we simply can not clear it sufficiently to provide access. Therefore, on Friday morning, we will make the following changes:

Division 4 (Ms. Triggs) Line up at *north* end door, closest to the rear parking lot
Division 6 (Ms. Castro) Line up under the covered area outside the entrance to Strong Start
Division 12 (Mme. Poudre) Line up at the front door of the school
Division 13 (Mme. Kehoe) Line up at the front door of the school
Division 14 (Mme. Angus) Line up at *north* end door, closest to the rear parking lot

We are expecting rain, which should bring significant snow melt so we will reassess these classroom arrival locations. I'm just anticipating it could be a lot of snow to trudge through in the morning.

Please travel safely, plan to dress warmly, and for wet and cold weather, and we'll get through this!

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Join our two-part Learning Series featuring an exclusive preview of "Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age". Pre-registration is required. Topics include:

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- *Understanding Privacy Settings*
- *Keeping Up with Digital Trends*
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Part I: "Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age" Preview
Link to watch Screenagers documentary will be available for viewing from January 18 - 31.



"Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age" is a video documentary that delves into the profound effects of extensive screen time on children's development. The filmmaker investigates the conflicts arising in homes and schools due to screen engagement, focusing on social media, video games, academics, and internet addiction.

[Click here to view trailer.](#)

Part II: Panel Discussion of "Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age"
January 25 | 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm



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SD43 Coordinator for
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Citizenship



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