



October 3rd, 2025

Greetings, Anmore community,

This week, staff and students reflected together on Truth and Reconciliation in Canada, and the importance of including all voices in the creation of our communities. Works created by each of the divisions was highlighted on Monday on the [school's Instagram page](#), which I would invite you to follow if you are not already: www.instagram.com/AnmoreSD43

Something that came up during our assembly that I would also like to share with parents is the connection between our national efforts toward Truth and Reconciliation and the restorative practices that often play a role in conflict resolution and discipline here at school. At its heart, **Reconciliation** is about listening to those who have been harmed, acknowledging the truth of their experience, and working together to make things right. A similar process guides our **restorative practices** when children experience conflict at school.

When a student finds themselves in the principal's office, it is not often about punishment — it is about **repairing relationships**. We begin by listening: *What happened? Who was affected? How did it make them feel?* Then we ask: *What needs to happen to make things right?* This process helps children understand the impact of their actions, take responsibility, and learn how to rebuild trust.

These conversations are often quiet, thoughtful, and create or repair relationships between students, staff, and families. They reflect the values we hope to instill in our students — not just rules to follow, but empathy, accountability, and community. In many ways, they mirror the broader work of reconciliation in our country: one small step at a time, rooted in truth, and guided by a commitment to healing.

If your child ever comes home and mentions a visit to the office, I encourage you to ask them what they talked about, how they felt, and what they learned. These moments are part of their growth, and we're here to support them every step of the way. (I will usually try to connect by phone before the end of the day as well, just so we all have the same information before pickup ;))

With the start of October, we are on the cusp of more community outings, family reads, pumpkin carvings, our Halloween Dance, and the start of the [PowerPlay Young Entrepreneurs](#) program with our grade four and five classes. Sunday, October 5th, is also World Teachers Day, which we celebrated today with treats for our wonderful staff. Please join me in appreciation for our teachers and support staff here at Anmore Elementary!

Wishing you a cozy and connected weekend,

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Reminders

*** It is photo day on Wednesday! ***

Families will have received an email regarding:

- Reviewing **Verification Form** on the Parent Portal. This info is used when children are ill or need to be picked up.
- The creation of the **Parent Portal**, if their child is new to the school and they didn't already have an account.
- Outstanding (online) **policy forms**. If parents haven't received an email from School Cash Online regarding this, they should contact the school office (anmore@sd43.bc.ca). This form is required to be completed before the student participates in field trips and certain class activities.

Ms. Weissig has also sent home some blank Emergency Release forms (blue paper) for parents who have not yet sent this form to the school. This is used if we need to evacuate and their students need to get picked up.

A Request!

A handful of our electric pencil sharpeners need servicing/repair. If you are an inclined tinkerer who might be able to help keep our graphite tips sharp, please see Ms. Weissig in the office.

On the Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
October 6 th	October 7 th	October 8 th <i>Photo Day (9am-11am)</i>	October 9 th <i>Hot Lunch (Hot Dogs)</i>	10 th <i>Interim Reports</i>
October 13 th	14 th <i>Rising Stars (Lunchtime)</i> <i>PAC Meeting 6:30pm (Library)</i>	15 th <i>Picture Day</i>	16 th <i>Hot Lunch (Burgers)</i> <i>Rising Stars (Lunchtime)</i>	17 th <i>Divisions 4 & 5 to Aldor Acres</i>



Need to Know?

- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Absence Report](#)
- [Parent Forms](#)

