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Welcome Back!

I hope everyone had a restful and relaxing Winter Break. With the recent cold temperatures and potential snowfall there are several important items to communicate.

- If the school is closed due to inclement weather, the decision will be made prior to 6:30 am. The information will be posted on the school and district websites.
- If for some reason school is open but buses are not able to run, this will be posted on the school website and an email sent to parents/guardians. If buses are not running but the school is open, parents have the option of keeping their child home or transporting their child to and from school.
- Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately as we have had abnormally low temperatures.

Dave Phelan

Principal

Hazel Trembath Elementary

Important Dates

January 9 th -12 th	Poco Minor Lacrosse Programming in Gym Classes
January 29 th	Professional Development Day (Students Do Not Attend)
January 31 st	Saleema Noon Zoom Meeting for Parents at 6:30
February 7 th	Saleema Noon Student Assemblies (students are group in grade/class levels)
February 14 th	Pancake Breakfast (Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam Firefighters)
February 19 th	Family Day (Students Do Not Attend)
February 20 th	Vancouver Warriors Presentation
February 23 rd	Professional Development Day (Students Do Not Attend)
February 28 th	Pink Shirt Day
March 6 th	Report Cards Available on MYEDBC
March 13 th	Parent Teacher Interviews/Early Dismissal
March 15 th	Last Day of Classes Before Spring Break

Hazel Trembath District and Provincial Updates

District updates regarding Hazel Trembath will be posted on the school website as they become available. Please click on the banner near the top of the school website labelled Hazel Trembath Updates. The link is also listed below:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/hazeltrembath/Pages/Updates.aspx#/=>

Port Coquitlam Lacrosse Program- January 9th-12th

Through the sponsorship of Poco Sport and the Poco Saints, there was lacrosse instruction during our PE classes from January 9th-12th. The intent of the program was to introduce the sport of lacrosse to students in a fun, safe and engaging manner. The program was positively received by staff and students, and we are hopeful it will continue next year!

Pancake Breakfast- February 14th

As a little Valentine's Day bonus, the Port Coquitlam and Coquitlam Firefighters have organized a pancake breakfast for our students in our gymnasium. We are very appreciative of their support.

Vancouver Warriors Lacrosse Stick to School Presentation- February 20th

Program leaders will present a PowerPoint presentation on who the Vancouver Warriors are, the history of lacrosse, its Indigenous connection, the first people's perspective of learning and the rules of the game. We will then follow with the fitness component where our players will engage with the students and teach them the fundamentals of lacrosse through fun drills/games.

Pink Shirt Day- February 28th

We encourage students to wear pink shirts on February 28th. On Pink Shirt Day we affirm our commitment to stand against bullying and to accept and respect all people, and to take time to understand different points of view and share experiences. By lifting each other up and wearing pink today, we are standing in solidarity against bullying and letting kids know they aren't alone.

Field Trips

Skating field trips have been organized for February to the Poirier Sports and Leisure Complex. These field trips have been funded through the Coquitlam School District and City of Coquitlam. There will be no cost to families. Teachers will inform parents of the particulars of their class field trip as we move closer to the date.

Report Cards

Report cards will be available online on March 6th. Please login to your MYEDBC account to view your child's report card on or after this date. If you are having difficulty logging in, please contact the office at Hazel Trembath.

Bus Pick Up and Drop Off

Traffic concerns have been raised by residents surrounding the bus pick up and drop off location. Their concerns revolve around drivers making u-turns on Confederation Drive, and students making unsafe crossings on the street. Please use care and concern at pick up and drop off to ensure the safety of our students.

Student Learning Surveys and MDI

Over the next few weeks our grade 4 students will be completing the annual Student Learning Survey. This survey is developed by the British Columbia Ministry of Education. Our school district is also participating in the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) project in January /February in partnership with the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) at UBC. **The MDI is for students in Grade(s) 4 & 8 and** is to understand more about children's thoughts, feelings and experiences inside and outside of school. The MDI questions align with the BC Ministry of Education's K-12 curriculum which includes a focus on promoting children's personal and social competencies.

Extreme Weather Conditions and Buses

Please refer to the previous emails regarding school closure procedures, and the district website. The decision to close schools due to extreme weather is made prior to 6:30 am.

In the case that Hazel Trembath is open but the buses are not able to run, parents can decide to either keep their child home or to transport their child to and from the school. This would be communicated at the earliest possible time in the morning. Staff will be present at the school if the site is open.