



新年快乐 Happy New Year!

Hello RC MacDonald Community,

My best wishes to all of you, our school community, on the eve of the Lunar Year. Good fortune to you all as we enter the Water Tiger year!

Our school community shows increasingly good health as we enter the month of February and it's wonderful to see all students return to learning at school with their friends.

We anticipate a busy month ahead with many learning opportunities and celebrations including Random Acts of Caring & Kindness week, Pink Shirt Day, Valentine's Day and Winter Olympics.

There are a few staffing updates this month. Thank you to Petra Nagel, Education Assistant – in Training, who will be completing her practicum on Friday. Our Skill Development teacher, Ms. Thompson, is feeling much better but will be on medical leave for several weeks. Welcome to SFU Student Teachers Ms. Wright and Ms. Purdy who will be learning with students and staff in Divisions 3&4 until April 1st.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support of school wide initiatives. This month we begin with a Litter Free Lunch Contest, Coat & Blanket Drive, and Scholastic Book Fair. Please see below for additional links and information on these and other school events.

Sincerely,

Theresa Roberts, Principal



Meal Train & Memorial for van Whije-Bard Family

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/oqwz01>

<https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/iO477qM4>



Coat & Blanket Drive

We are accepting donations of warm clothes at the front entrance of the school daily until Feb. 18th. Items will be donated to the Downtown Eastside Women's Shelter.

Lunches & Treat Sales

Order [MunchaLunch](#) (Fridays)

Order [Lunch Lady](#) (Wednesdays)

- Feb. 11 Pizza Hut
- Feb. 18 Rice Krispie Treat
- Feb. 24 Subway
- March 10 Doughnut Love



Scholastic Book Fair Feb. 7-18th

When it's time to shop, visit our school's Virtual Book Fair site using this link: [Scholastic Book Fair Ordering](#)

Family Wellness Links- Kelty Mental Health webinars and resources

[School Anxiety & Attendance Challenges- Parent Webinar](#)

[ADHD- The Real Deal- Parent Webinar](#)

[What to Say to Kids When Nothing Seems to Work - Parent Webinar](#)

Return It! Proceeds go to Kilometer Club

Consider donating your bottle refunds to the school. RC MacDonald Elementary as a Return It account. Please use the school phone number at any Encorp Pacific Depot and your refund amount will be allocated to the school. This year we are using any funds collected towards the cost of purchasing tokens and chains for the Kilometer Club. Our goal is to raise \$500 over the entire school year.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration will be held throughout the district on **February 1-4, 2022**. Parents should register at the elementary school in their catchment area. New kindergarten students who have a sibling at a school outside their catchment will be accepted at the sibling's school (provided the sibling will still be in attendance in that school year).

COMING UP AT RC MACDONALD

Tues.- Fri. Feb. 1-4	Kindergarten Registration
Tues. Feb. 1st	Lunar New Year
Mon. Feb. 14th	Valentine's Day
Feb. 14-18	Random Acts of Kindness & Caring Week
Feb. 18th	Last day to donate coats & blankets for DTES Women's Centre
Mon. Feb. 21st	Family Day – no school for students
Wed. Feb. 23rd	Pink Shirt Day
Fri. Feb. 25th	Pro D Day- no school for students
Thurs. March 10th	Term 2 Report Cards published on Family Portal
Fri. March 11th	Last day of school before Spring Break vacation
March 12-27	Spring Break
Mon. March 28	School reopens after Spring Break vacation

The RC MacDonald calendar is online – all events that have been confirmed are available for you to see at a glance.

Please revisit our site as ***we will continue to add special event dates as they are confirmed.*** Our website is:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/rcmacdonald/Pages/default.aspx>