



February 14th, 2019

"Almost any math problem can be solved by drawing a picture".

-Allison Johnson

Jump Rope For



February is upon us and that means it's time for Jump Rope for Heart here at Rochester! Join us on Wednesday, February 13th for our exciting Jump event in the gym where classes will be jumping throughout the morning to show their support for the Heart and Stroke Foundation!

Last year, Rochester was able to raise just over an incredible \$6000.00 for this great cause and this year we are hoping to match or surpass that amount through three different forms of fundraising which are:

- Pledge envelopes (asking family and friends and putting money directly into envelope) *Envelopes to come home on Friday.
- Online donations (setting up an online fundraising page at <u>www.jumpropeforheart.ca</u> having people you know donate online)
- Jump Rope for Heart activity morning in the gym on Tuesday, Feb.5th (classes to come to gym and participate in fun filled activities- asking for a loonie or toonie donation but not required for participation)

Finally, on "Jump Day" (Feb.19th), we are asking that everyone wear as much pink or red as possible to show support for this wonderful cause! Thank-you in advance for your caring and service towards others- two things that we truly value here in the Rochester community.

Informal Reporting & Snow Day(s)

This week's informal reporting was interrupted by our snow days! Please check your emails from your classroom teacher for their alternate plan to communicate this term's informal report.

REMINDER SCHOOL CLOSURES NO SCHOOL THE FOLLOWING DAYS

Friday, February 15th Monday, February 18th Friday, February 22nd

Upcoming Recognition Assembly

Thursday, February 21st

Please note, it is Thursday this month, not Friday

Dance Weeks at Rochester

We are so excited to welcome Mandy Tulloch to Rochester for two weeks of dance instruction. The first week will be held February 25th-March 1st for divisions 1-8. Our second week will be held May 6th-10th for divisions 9-17. A BIG thank you to our PAC and to parents for all your hard work fundraising for this event.

Life Long Learning at Rochester

Here at Rochester, we are so proud to have a staff dedicated to life-long learning. As teachers, we know that an important part of professional and personal growth includes mentorship. With that in mind, we are excited to be welcoming three student teachers from Simon Fraser University, who will be working with staff throughout the rest of the school year. Please join us in welcoming them this term.

Let it snow...

Please make sure your child is dressed for our snowy weather. Please consider putting a change of clothes in their backpack for these wet, wintery days!

Mark your calendars:

Tuesday, Feb. 19 - Jump Rope For Heart Event - wear pink and or red

Wed, Feb 27 -Pink shirt day

Wed, Feb 27-Mar 1 - Book Fair 3:15-4:15

Friday, March 1 - 5:30 pm -RPAC movie night: Ralph breaks the internet

March 5-15: Excel martial Arts program lunch

March 18-29: Spring Break/ School re-opens April 1