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The School Community of Ross Road strives to support potential for all that values diversity and is built in a safe and caring environment.

Ross Road is welcoming, caring and inclusive. We foster a culture of engaged learners and critical thinkers who are responsible and respectful. As a school community we promote a sense of belonging for all.

Monday Message

Dear Ross Road Families,

We hope you enjoyed a sunny weekend.

This week, the Second Step focus is on managing learning challenges. Students are discussing how to use a calming down strategy when they experience a big feeling after such things as being told to wait, or make a mistake, or have trouble with a task. These happen all the time and learning to name the feeling and use a calm down strategy will be helpful in emotional resilience.

Update: Jump Rope for Heart

Thank you to all those who have already signed up for the Jump Rope for Heart Campaign. The Ross Road community has raised \$1,595 in the first week alone! Remember, 8% of all funds raised will be used to purchase gym equipment for the school. It's easy to register your child online. Simply go to [Ross Road Elementary - North Vancouver | Heart & Stroke Jump Rope for Heart \(crowdfunder.ca\)](https://www.crowdfunder.com/ross-road-elementary-north-vancouver-heart-stroke-jump-rope-for-heart). You can then send the link to friends and family so that they can donate to help your child reach their personal fundraising goal.

Reminder: Student Learning Survey – Feedback deadline of May 3

The Student Learning Survey (SLS), which is administered annually by the Ministry of Education and Child Care, is open to students in Grades 4, 7, 10 and 12, their families, and staff and administrators in B.C. public schools. The survey covers a range of topics, providing a comprehensive picture of

the educational experience in B.C. public schools and valuable insight for addressing current needs and trends.

Families are invited to participate in the survey, available in English, French and additional languages, until May 3. Information about the survey, including a survey link, is available on the [Student Learning Survey](#) web page.

Autism Acceptance Month Resources

Autism BC has provided a post with video resources to build understanding of autism. You are encouraged to check it out!

<https://www.autismbc.ca/blog/what-is-autism/#post-resources-title>

PAC INFORMATION

Please check out the PAC website for important information and updates.

[Ross Road PAC | École Ross Road School – Parent Advisory Committee](#)

DISTRICT INFORMATION

Reminder: Cheakamus Centre Open House – May 5

The 55th annual Cheakamus Centre Open House takes place on Sunday, May 5, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Join Cheakamus Centre staff for a fun, family day of nature exploration and discovery. Visit the Coast Salish longhouse, salmon hatchery, farm animals, and nature trails. More information is available on the [Open House](#) web page.

Reminder: Summer Learning – Registration opens May 1

[North Vancouver Summer Learning](#) provides a platform for students to explore and extend learning opportunities while fulfilling their educational requirements through a variety of opportunities in the month of July.

The Summer Learning 2024 course offerings provide students opportunities to further their learning and/or earn credits toward graduation:

- [Full Credit Academic Grade 10-12 Courses](#) (including options to meet the Indigenous-focused graduation requirement)
- [7/8 Transition](#) into Secondary School
- [English Language Learning](#) (ELL)
- [Eslha7an](#) Secondary Review & Completion
- [Numeracy 8/9 Foundations](#)
- [Literacy 8/9 Foundations](#)

Registration is open to students within and beyond the NVSD. [Registration](#) opens on Wednesday, May 1 at 8 a.m. for NVSD students (and on Friday, May 10 for students outside the NVSD). Registration closes on Friday, June 21 at 12 noon.

For more public input opportunities, NVSD events, NVSD registrations, and additional information and opportunities please check the NVSD website [News Item - North Vancouver School District \(sd44.ca\)](#).

Important Dates:

April – Autism Awareness Month

April – Fun Runs at 8:05am (April 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30)

April 25 – Class Photos

April 26 – Jump Rope for Heart Day

April 30-May 2 – Grade 4 Outdoor School

May – Asian History Month

May 3 – **Professional Development Day**, no school for students

Please remember to check the school [website](#) for important dates, a copy of all school newsletters and other important information. You are also encouraged to subscribe to the [school calendar](#).

<https://www.sd44.ca/school/rossroad/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Kind regards,

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We would like to thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation, upon whose unceded traditional territory École Ross Road Elementary and the North Vancouver School District resides. We value the opportunity to learn, share and grow on this traditional territory.

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