

Monday Message April 24, 2017

Restored Language 101 - special standing committee meeting of the Board of Education on Tuesday, April 25th at 7pm at the Education Services Centre.

Following the recent Supreme Court decision regarding class size and composition, the North Vancouver School District is working hard to have restored language in place for September 2017. The community is invited to attend a special standing committee meeting of the Board of Education that will walk through highlights of the restored language and what it means for our school district. Topics will include class size, composition and school planning for next school year.

Track and Field

Our first Track Mini Meet takes place at Norgate Elementary School, next Tuesday on May 2nd, 2017 from 3:30 pm to 5pm.

Parents are responsible for their own child's transportation to and from meets. When students arrive and leave, they must sign in and out with a Westview staff member (to be announced before the dates). Be prepared to pick up your child earlier than at 5 p.m.

In order to participate in this meet, students must hand in their signed permission forms to the office by May1st.

Mini meets are a great practice opportunity for our students to compete with students from other schools in our zone. The results from this mini meet do not count as a qualifying meet.

Please use the link below to the Westview website for the practice schedule and schedule of Mini Meets.

https://www.sd44.ca/school/westview/Students/Pages/default.aspx

Lost and Found

Please be sure check the 'Lost and Found' in the front foyer for any clothing your child may be missing. In addition, a community member generously donated a variety of children's clothing. Items will be placed on a table signed with 'Free'.

Ready Set Learn Event at Westview – "Language for Little Ones"

This is a 2 part series where we will explore the importance of language development in 3-5 year olds and show you some easy activities you can do at home to help build language with your child.

The first session will be for parents/guardians on Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:30pm to 7:30pm in the Westview Library. Our Speech and Language Pathologist, Diana Lamare, alongside our current Kindergarten teachers, will be making a presentation. Childcare will be provided in our Strong Start classroom.

The second session will be for parents/guardians and children on Tuesday, May 16th from 1:30pm to 2:30pm. The Kindergarten teachers will be leading several stations where you will have the chance to try hands-on language building activities with your child.

If you can only attend one of the sessions, it is fine as attendance at both sessions is not required, but it is recommended. Please RSVP to the Westview school office at 604-903-3840.

Paint with Pamela - April 26th at 7pm

One of Westview's parents is going to teach participants how to paint a beautiful tree step by step. There is limited space so please email Pamela at pwesterman@gmail.com to secure your spot. Cost for the event is \$25. Proceeds will go to the Westview PAC for their continued fundraising efforts. This is an adult only event.

Dates to remember in April and May:

- PAC meeting Tuesday, April 25th at 7:30p.m.
- Staff collaboration Wednesday, April 26th. Students dismissed at 2p.m.
- 'Painting with Pamela' Wednesday, April 26th at 7p.m.
- Professional Day Monday, May 8th. School is not in session for students this day.

Sincerely,

Carla Orr Kate Lechleiter Principal Vice Principal