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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 this message finds you happy and healthy.

Purdy's Orders – Pick Up Tonight

Purdy's orders are available for pick up tonight from 5pm - 6pm at the school main entrance.

FINAL WEEK TO ORDER - Grade 7 Fundraiser

There are 2 great ways to support the Ross Road Class of 2022:

- Samosa Fundraising Company: Stock your freezer with tasty samosas and other yummy food from the local Samosa Fundraising Company. Delicious meals to feed the whole family, perfect after school snacks, veggie and vegan options and easy to order! <u>ORDER DEADLINE: Sunday April 17th</u> PICK UP orders at school: Tuesday, May 3rd 4-6pm <u>Click here</u> to order samosas or visit <u>https://samosafundraiser.com/ross-road-samosa-fundraiser/</u>
- Spring Flowers: Hanging baskets, patio planters, herbs, veggies and more to bring spring to your homes and gardens. Perfect Mother's Day gifts.
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Thank you for supporting our Class of 2022! The funds collected will be used to subsidize end-of-year field trips and the farewell celebration.

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 \$1,000 in the first week alone**, well on the way to our \$10,000 goal! Remember, 10% of all funds raised will be used to purchase gym equipment for the school. It's easy to register your child online. Go to <u>www.jumpropeforheart.ca</u> and click on "Join us" to register your child. You can also send the link to friends and family so that they can donate to help your child reach their personal fundraising goal.

Tempo Tuesday

We are unable to run Km Club as in previous years, but we are excited to introduce **Tempo Tuesday** to keep the fun and community building alive! Come on out and join the FUN, running every **Tuesday** morning in May with music that will keep you moving to that Tempo beat all day long! Warm-up at 8:05, run and music after that. There will be Participation ribbons and prizes for participants that have returned a consent form. Consent forms will go home later this week.

Track and Field

We are excited to announce that Track and Field is back on this year for all interested students in grades 4-7. Over the next two weeks, intermediate students will participate in a track sampler where they will have the opportunity to try out some of the competitive events. Stay tuned for information about track team practices! Track and field permission forms will be going home this week.

Reminder: Grade 4 & 7 Parents/Guardians Student Learning Survey

Each year, the Ministry of Education conducts the Student Learning Survey. Information about this important survey was emailed to grade 4 and 7 families last week. This is a reminder to please take the time to complete the survey. The <u>FINAL</u> day for the survey is <u>April 30, 2022</u>.

Rapid Antigen Tests for K-12 Students

Please email <u>rossroad@sd44.ca</u> or call 604-903-3750 to make arrangements to pick up if you have not already done so.

Reminder: Ross Road School Musical April 26-28

As previously mentioned, we feel very grateful that we are able to proceed with our upcoming *Disney Frozen Kids* school musical and so we are asking everyone to please respect our request regarding spectator attendance. We are seeking your support as there will not be tickets issued for the musical. We are working on the honour system and asking that each child have a maximum of two adults attend a show. If you have more than one child but they are in the same show, then please stick to the rule of 2 adults in attendance. If you have children in both casts, you may attend one of each show to watch their performances. As a reminder, this performance will not take place in our school gym, nor will it be on a stage, therefore sight lines will be <u>very limited</u>. Your understanding and cooperation are appreciated.

Reminder: Morning Intermediate (Grade 4-7) Homework Club

We are offering a pilot morning homework club. Students will be able to come to one scheduled morning session per week. The sessions will be in the library supported by Educational Assistants and will be from 8-8:35am. Students will be able to enter from 8-8:15am only. Students should come with all the materials they need and EAs will be there to provide support. For more information, please connect with your child's teacher.

Schedule:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 7

Class Photos

Please mark your calendar as we will be having class photos taken at the school on Tuesday, May 3rd.

Are You Moving?

If your child(ren) is in kindergarten to grade 6, please let the office know if you are planning on leaving Ross Road for the 2022-2023 school year. This information is extremely valuable as we start to plan for the next school year.

Health and Safety Reminders

- With the nicer weather, we are so glad to see many students and families
 riding their bicycles and scooters to school. For everyone's safety, <u>please
 remember to walk them as soon as you arrive on school grounds</u>. Please
 use the PAC purchased bike and scooter racks to lock them up rather
 than the chain.
- Please do not enter the cul-de-sac on Allan for drop-off/pick-up.
- Please do not enter the cul-de-sac on Bushnell past the crosswalk for drop-off/pick-up
- Continue to be respectful of our neighbours by not blocking their driveways, and following all posted signage.
- Please to continue with a <u>daily health check</u> and to stay at home when sick.
- Continue to practice healthy hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette (careful coughing and sneezing).
- Masks are now optional, and we will respect everyone's choice to activate this layer of protection whenever needed (unless you have travelled outside the country then please follow <u>Federal Guidelines</u>).
- Parents, guardians, and siblings are still asked to wait outside.
- Parents and guardians are still asked to make appointments (email or phone call) to meet with school staff before or after school.
- If you do enter the school for a scheduled meeting, all visitors must report to the office and complete the QR code sign-in process

Translation Options

To view this update in a language option of your choice, please review and enable the message translation options available through your email provider. While not exhaustive, we have provided links to popular email providers: <u>Microsoft Outlook</u> and <u>Gmail</u>.

Important Dates:

April - <u>Sikh Heritage Month</u>, Autism Acceptance Month April 13 – <u>International Day of Pink</u> April 14 – <u>Vaisakhi</u> April 11-14 <u>Climate Action and Sustainability Week</u> April 15 – Good Friday (no school) April 17 – Easter Monday (no school) April 15-23 – Jewish Passover April 22 – Musical soundcheck, Earth Day April 25 – Musical dress rehearsal April 26-28 - Spring Musical April 27 – Administrative Professionals' Day April 28 – <u>National Day of Mourning</u> April 29 – 'Jumpathon' for Jump Rope for Heart

If you have any questions or concerns, please communicate with your child's classroom teacher or contact us at the school.

Kind regards,

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