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École Ross Road Elementary School strives to foster an inclusive school community where everyone is valued and supported to realize their fullest potential as individuals and as a collective.

Monday Message

Dear Ross Road Families,

February has arrived, bringing fresh snowfall and plenty of excitement at Ross Road! We look forward to a month filled with learning, important celebrations, kindness, and community spirit. Please read on for important updates, upcoming events, and ways to stay connected. Stay warm and enjoy the snow!

I want to send a special thank you to the parents/guardians on the snow team for helping to clear the school yesterday. If you are able to volunteer, please email the office at rossroad@sd44.ca.

Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka KIDS musical March 4th, 5th and 6th

An important message from Ms. Morgan. <u>Music to accompany at home singing</u> can be found on YouTube. Search "Willy Wonka KIDS musical" and you'll see a play list called "Willy Wonka KIDS Troy School 2" and that is it! Lyric sheet went home last week. Kindergartens are singing "Golden Age of Chocolate". <u>Costume Letter for all students in chorus (non-acting) is going home this week.</u> Please check your child's backpack or agenda and have them review it with you.

March 4, 5 and 6th at 11 am Cast A

Cast A Classes are: Mme Aiello, Mrs. May, Mme Belanger, Ms. Peters, Mme Simon/Tancon, Mme Noori/Kaburda, Mr. Ching, Ms. Brent, Mr. Coward, Mme MacDonald, Mme Dowling/Celine

March 4, 5 and 6th at 1:30 pm Cast B

Cast B Classes are: Mme Hewson, Mrs. Piccone, Mme Storry, Ms. Parker, Mme Donaher/Tancon, Mme Mahsa, Mr. Reczka, Mme Capelle, Mme Bulsara/Francis, Ms. Colangelo/Babich, Mme Christine/Celine If your child is in grade 6 or 7 and is acting this year, they will be bringing home this week a page with their roles and their performances dates and times.

I'm still hoping we can light up the gym. I need a parent to champion and take charge of getting our gym lit up for the show. If you would like to volunteer to coordinate and make this happen, please email me smorgan@sd44.ca. The lights crew would put lights up on Thursday, Feb 27th after school.

If you can lend us indoor outdoor decorative lights, fairy lights etc. please email me, and I'll put you in touch with the lights team.

Ticket request form link: https://forms.office.com/r/u36pSNMRpb Due date for ticket requests is Friday, February 7, 2025.

Grade 7 Transition to Argyle

Tomorrow, Ross Road will host Argyle staff for an information session with all grade 7s. Then, all grade 7s will go to Argyle the afternoon of February 5th for a tour. Don't forget that students will be dismissed from Argyle. Parents and Guardians are invited to Argyle for a school tour on February 5th starting at 6:15pm with the course programming and information meeting starting at 7pm at Argyle. Please review the letter attached from Argyle for more information

If you have a child in grade 7 French Immersion at Ross Road, but you wish to transfer to the English program for grade 8, you MUST complete a transfer application before March 7, 2025, at Central Registration during an in-person appointment. More information is linked <u>HERE</u>. If your child is not attending Argyle next year, please contact the Ross Road office.

Reminder: Grade 4 Ross Road Outdoor School Parent/Guardian Meeting
The grade 4 teachers would like to invite all grade 4 parents/guardians to an
information session at the school on Feb 20th at 3:05pm in the library for the
trip April 15-17. Please mark your calendars. They will provide details of this
overnight field trip and answer any questions you might have. All families
are encouraged to try and attend. Don't forget about the optional orientation
session at Cheakamus (info below).

Reminder: Grade 4 & 7 2025 Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

Early in 2025 the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 4 & 7, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section. The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025.

PAC INFORMATION

For detailed program information and registration links, visit the PAC Newsletter or the PAC website: https://rossroadpac.ca/after-school-programs/

North Vancouver School District Information

Reminder: Public Comment Period Open - Proposed 2025/26 School Calendar

This is to confirm that the public comment period for the proposed 2025/26 School Calendar is now open. Students, staff, parents/guardians, and community members are invited to share feedback on the proposed calendar via an MS Forms survey, accessible from the school district's public District Calendar web page.

The public comment period will close at midnight, February 11, 2025. The Board of Education will review the public comments received and will finalize the school calendar for the 2025/26 school year at its February 25, 2025 Public Board Meeting.

Homestay families needed

Each year, the North Vancouver School District welcomes students from around the world to live and study in our vibrant community. We strive to place secondary school international students with families who live close to their school to support each student's integration into the school and wider community.

There are secondary school international students in need of a homestay placement for the school term beginning September 2025. If you are interested in hosting an international student, please reach out to our International Education program office at international@sd44.ca. More information about the homestay program is available on the International@sd44.ca. More information about the school district website.

There is a link to the Superintendent's Updates <u>here</u> & other helpful district links for Parents and Guardians <u>here</u>.

Important Dates:

February 4 – Argyle to visit Grade 7s at Ross Road

February 5 – Grade 7s to visit Argyle, PAC Meeting, Grade 7 Information

Meeting at Argyle 7pm

February 13 – PAC Movie Night

February 14 - Pro-d (no school for students)

February 17 - Family Day (no school)

February 26 - Early dismissal for staff collab at 1:50pm & Pink Shirt Day

February 28 - Musical sound check & Grade 7 Popcorn sales

March 3 - Musical Dress Rehearsal

March 4-6 - Musical

March 10-11 – Learning Conferences, **school dismissed at 1:50pm**

March 12 – Learning Updates published (report cards)

March 14 – Last day before Spring Break

March 31 - Return from Spring Break (full day of school)

Please remember to check the school <u>website</u> for important dates, a copy of all school newsletter and other important information. You are also encouraged to **subscribe** to the <u>school calendar</u>.

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

Kind regards,

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