

PLEASE remember ... Wear a mask and physically distance ... we are all in this together.



Principal's Bulletin #24

February 12th, 2021

This weekend is meant to be a time where we all take the opportunity to celebrate family. It is the perfect trifecta of; the lunar new year (*Kung Hei Fat Choi!*), Valentine's Day, and of course the bonus of a long weekend with Family Day on Monday.

It is ironic that at the very time that we are meant to celebrate being together, we are asked to adhere to the restrictions brought on as a result of COVID. It seems such a cruel contradiction.

For my own family, there is nothing we need more right now than an opportunity to be together. But we can't. This sacrifice feels huge, but by staying apart we are protecting each other, and our community. As hard as it is for all of us, we know it is the right choice. We must wait until it is safe to do so. That time will come.

In his letter to the community yesterday, Superintendent Mark Pearmain shared the following message:

This Family Day long weekend, I am encouraging and reminding all members of the North Vancouver School District community to please be cautious in your interactions and celebrations. According to recently released data, COVID-19 numbers across the North Shore have trended upwards ([source: North Shore News](#)). Across the North Shore, we have seen an increase in the number of COVID-19 exposures in schools, following the trend in community transmission ... I am requesting that we all collectively recommit to being cautious, vigilant and thoughtful of how our actions outside our household impact others. (For his entire message click [HERE](#))

We are so fortunate to live in an age where we can gather "virtually" ... we are getting pretty good at it, it is our new reality. Please take advantage of all of the various technologies that can allow you to connect online with friends and family, and maybe start planning the party we will all have when this is all over!

Thank you all for your constant support and understanding.

Once again, I have again outlined expectations below surrounding COVID protocols in school. Even though it feels repetitive, there are still areas that need constant review. I have re-posted a number of information items as they continue to cause concern. Please review them carefully with your child, as we all need to keep working hard at staying safe.

As always, this week's information items are included below. Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Regards

Rob McLeod
Principal

Note: You can click on the Seycove Logo above to go to the Seycove Website

- **Previous Bulletins:**

All previously posted Principal's bulletins and communications can be found [HERE](#).

- **PAC Meeting Tuesday, February 16th**

For information about next week's PAC meeting, and a meeting invite [CLICK HERE](#).

- **Visitors in the school (*reposted from October*)**

A reminder that There is limited / restricted access to our school site. If you are planning on coming to the school (including parent/guardians) we ask that you call ahead to the office to make appointments or arrangements.

The Front (Main) school entrance is designated for visitor entry and exit

Visitors must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Perform a health self-check prior to entry
- Sign in and out
- Practice hand hygiene immediately on arrival and prior to exiting
- Notify the office that they are waiting at the front.

- **Calendar Highlights (*updated*)**

- February 8th ... Reports Published
- February 10th ... Staff Collab
- February 15th ... Family Day Holiday
- February 16th ... Staff Meeting
- February 19th ... Student Programming Sheets due
- February 23rd ... District Lockdown Drill (*POSTPONED*)
- February 24th ... Pink Shirt day
- February 26th ... District ProD

- **COVID PROTOCOL REMINDERS (*reposted*)**

- **Student breaks and hallway traffic:**

Students are asked to remain in their classroom area during their mid-class break. Students who wander the hallways increase hallway traffic and cause cohorts to mix, making it virtually impossible to monitor.

- **Students eating snacks and lunches:**

There are now a number of students mingling or walking through the hallways while eating and not wearing a mask as a result. Students are reminded that eating must be done while they are stationary, and not while they are in transit. Lunch is to be eaten in the hallway area outside the classroom where students had their morning class.

- **Student entrance/exit of the building:**

Students are reminded that they are to be entering and exiting the school by the door closest to their classroom. It is been particularly bad at the end of class, and the hallways are filling up. PLEASE help us by reminding them about proper protocols. This is going to require constant vigilance. Thanks so much for your support!

- **Students who forget a mask**

Once again, students who do forget their masks are asked to enter the school through the front entrance of the school where masks are available.

- **NEW BCCDC Website for Schools: *(reposted)***

The BC Centre for Disease Control has a new website specific to schools that you can find [HERE](#).

- **Student Pickup/drop off *(reposted from September)***

For instructions regarding student pickup/drop off please [CLICK HERE](#).

(NOTE: there was an issue with the appropriate doors being open, that has now been resolved.)

- **Updated “Covid” resources:**

- Call **8-1-1** for health information
- Use the **Daily Health Check** before sending your child to school (<https://www.sd44.ca/COVID-19/dailyhealthcheck/Pages/default.aspx#/=>)
- Visit the **BC Centre for Disease Control** website (<http://www.bccdc.ca/>)
- Visit the **Vancouver Coastal Health** website (www.vch.ca)
- Bookmark the **NVSD COVID-19 Resource web pages** (www.sd44.ca/COVID-19)
- Ministry of Education [BC's Back To School Plan](#) – updated Nov 10, 2020 (previously dated Sept 24, 2020)
- [BCCDC Schools FAQ](#) web page – Sept 24, 2020
- [NVSD Back to School September 2020 FAQs](#) – NVSD [PUBLIC](#) webpage - updated on an on-going basis
- [NVSD Website COVID-19 Information](#) – NVSD [PUBLIC](#) webpage - Misc. resources including copies of Supt letters, updated on an on-going basis

Seycove PAC Meeting
7:00 pm Tuesday, February 16, 2021
Seycove Secondary Library

AGENDA

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Approval of agenda & minutes
- 3) Treasurer's report – Dan Dandar
 - a. PAC Treasurer opening June 2021
 - b. Continuation of PAC as charitable organization
- 4) Principal's report – Mr. Rob McLeod
- 5) DPAC – Mag Caron
- 6) New Business
- 7) Close

NVPAC Zoom ONE is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Seycove PAC Meeting

Time: Feb 16, 2021 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/63167795338?pwd=RVpxbXYxOXBGTG5Fd0FSWXBFQkdyZz09>

Meeting ID: 631 6779 5338

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