

École Ross Road School

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Monday Message

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Dear Ross Road Families,

One of École Ross Road's school goals is to foster a culture of kindness and inclusivity in the school community. We all have an important role to play. In support of this goal, we continue to use the Second Step program school-wide to support students to make progress in emotion management, situational awareness and develop foundational social-emotional competencies.

We share the weekly Second Step message with families to help reinforce the learning students are doing at school. We encourage you to ask your child what they are learning in Second Step.

The Second Step message this week is:

The final Problem-Solving Step is P: Pick the best solution! Once you have named the positive and negative consequence of each solution you thought of, you can pick the solution that works best. It's easy to remember our Problem-Solving Steps because they spell the word 'step,' S, T, E, P. Using the Problem-Solving Steps will help you get along better with your friends and family. This week, if you have a problem, remember to STEP it up and use the Problem-Solving Steps. S-Say the problem, T-Think of solution, E-Explore Consequences, and P-Pick the best solution.

Important Health and Safety Information

- 1. Send your child with a mask
- 2. Send your child with a water bottle
- 3. School grounds are closed during the school day AND before/after school

We have had to hand out numerous masks to students today. Please help us by checking and making sure your child brings at least two clean masks to school daily as all grade 4-7 students must wear masks. We have a very limited supply to provide students who forget. Students in kindergarten to grade 3 are strongly encouraged to wear a mask indoors in schools — both within and outside of their learning group.

Please don't forget to **send your child with a water bottle daily**. All students require a water bottle as the water fountains are all closed but they are able to fill a water bottle.

<u>School grounds are closed from 8:30am-3:30pm daily</u>. Please be mindful to continue to <u>arrive and depart school in a timely manner</u>. Please continue to remain off the property during the day to allow classes to maximize space for outside learning.

<u>Staying home when sick</u> is one of the most important ways to keep our school community healthy and safe. If you or members of your family have symptoms, please stay home and follow the quidance from the BCCDC. <u>Daily Health Check</u>

Grade 7 Fundraising opportunity

This year, the Grade 7s are raising funds to help pay for a yearbook and a legacy project. Please consider sharing these fundraising links with family and friends. Treat yourself to fresh roasted coffee with a personal touch:

http://www.globalcoffeefundraising.ca/rossroad

Or a beautiful assortment of flowers, fruits and veg. Lots of new options this year:

https://rossroadelementary.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home Ordering closes April 25, and product pick up will be from the school on May 10.

Important Dates

April 21 – PAC Meeting on Zoom at 7pm

April 22 – Earth Day

April 28 - Early dismissal at 1:50pm for staff collaboration

Kind regards,

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