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Monday Message

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Dear Ross Road Families.

This week at Ross Road the Second Step focus is on *Making Amends*. Everyone makes mistakes sometimes. When you hurt someone's feelings, it's important to take responsibility. Taking responsibility means admitting what you did, apologizing, and offering to make the situation better. This is called making amends. It can be hard to take responsibility, but it's the right thing to do and it helps everyone feel better. This week, if you make a mistake, remember to find a way to make amends.

Class Placement 2021-22

This is a reminder that if you wish to provide information for class placement please see the link to our school website: <u>News Item - École Ross Road</u> <u>Elementary (sd44.ca)</u>. **Forms are due by May 24**th.

School Supplies grade 4-7 2021-2022

For students in grades 4-7 the school supply lists are linked here <u>News Item</u> - <u>École Ross Road Elementary (sd44.ca</u>). You may choose to order from Creative Packs using the order forms linked on our school website. **Orders are due by July 4, 2021 and will be shipped to the school.** If you do not wish to participate in the Creative Packs order, please use the list linked above to purchase your own supplies.

Virtual Auction raises over \$20,000!

This fundraiser was an event like no other. After a frenzy of bidding over 2 weeks, the Virtual Auction closed on Friday night. A total of \$20,315.59 was raised for the school and proceeds will be used to purchase 30 iPads with cases and to upgrade technology at the school.

Thank you to everyone who donated items for purchase, bid on items, and to those who worked so hard to pull this all together. The students will benefit enormously. We've received great feedback on the variety and quality of items and experiences that were offered. Much fun awaits as students prepare for

their class theme days, extra-long recess and other special moments with staff. Thank you for your generosity and tremendous school spirit.

Health and Safety

We are continuing to encourage all Ross Road students and community members to wear masks while at school.

- Send a mask for your child in grade 4-7 (minimum 2 per day!!)
- Send a water bottle
- Do the Daily Health check.
- Reminder that school grounds are closed during the school day AND before/after school.

A Toonie for Taking Care of Us! A student-initiated, PAC sponsored THANK YOU to our school custodians

Thank you for participating in this amazing event. We will share the grand total once we have counted all the toonies!

Trustee By-Election

In May 2021, District residents will elect one school trustee for the remainder of the four-year term ending in November 2022. <u>By-election 2021 | District of North Vancouver (dnv.org)</u> Candidate profiles | <u>District of North Vancouver (dnv.org)</u>

May 19 — Advance voting day at Municipal Hall

May 24 — Advance voting day at Municipal Hall and Windsor Secondary School

May 29 — General voting day

Asian Heritage Month

May is Asian Heritage Month, an opportunity for all Canadians to learn more about the many achievements and contributions of Canadians of Asian descent who, throughout our history, have done so much to make Canada the amazing country we share today.

The theme for Asian Heritage Month 2021, "Recognition, Resilience, and Resolve", embodies the myriad of sentiments that peoples of Asian descent in Canada have experienced and honours their contributions and their diverse stories which are rooted in resilience and perseverance. It is also a call to action for all Canadians to come together to combat all forms of anti-Asian racism and discrimination. [Source: Government of Canada]

Please consider this an important step in our journey together to learn, and create safe and inclusive spaces for all members of our community and combat anti-racism.

Resources/articles include:

• Government of Canada

- Project1907
- MONOVA Asian Heritage Month: Lim Gong

May 17 International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia

This day in intended to draw attention to the violence and discriminations experienced by people with diverse sexual orientations and gender identities and expressions. It is celebrated in more than 130 countries around the world. Home \sim May17.org

Important Dates

May 17 – International Day against homophobia, transphobia and biphobia

May 24 – Victoria Day

May 26 - Staff collaboration, students dismissed at 1:50pm

May 29 - Trustee By-Election general voting day

Kind regards,

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