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Monday Message

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Dear Ross Road Families,

This is our final school-wide Second Step message for this school year. Classes will continue to complete lessons and families are encouraged to ask their children about what they are learning. This is in support of our school goal:

- To foster a culture of kindness and inclusivity in the Ross Road school community

This week the message is about **Handling Name-Calling**.

In our school we have a rule about being respectful. It's not respectful to call people names that hurt their feelings. If someone calls you a name, you can ignore the person or speak to them assertively. You can tell the person it's not okay to call you names. If the person doesn't stop calling you names, you should tell an adult. Saying kind words to others helps you make and keep friends!

Reminder-School Supplies grade 4-7 2021-2022

For students in grades 4-7 the school supply lists are linked here [News Item - École Ross Road Elementary \(sd44.ca\)](#). 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.

Health and Safety

- Send a mask for your child (**minimum 2 per day!!**), **mandatory for ALL grade 4-7 students**
- Send a water bottle daily
- 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

The grand total raised was \$1000!! Thank you for your generosity.

Anti-Racism Awareness Week

“We all have a part to play when it comes to anti-racism.”

The BC government has developed a series of [anti-racism](#) reminders to support us all on our journey to confront systemic racism. We encourage you to view these short videos and continue the dialogue at home so we can create a better and safer environment for all.

Last week, Ross Road received an NVPAC sponsored purchase of [books](#) curated by the Moms Against Racism Education Advocacy Team. These include books written by authors who are Black, Indigenous and people of colour.

For the Anti-racism Awareness Week proclamation, visit:

<https://www.bclaws.gov.bc.ca/civix/document/id/proclamations/proclamations/AntiRacismAwareWk2021>

To learn more about the anti-racism information campaign, visit:

<https://antiracist.gov.bc.ca/>

For more information about Resilience BC and to find support in your community, visit: <https://www.resiliencebc.ca/find-your-community-network/>

If you are the victim or witness of a hate crime, find information and support online:

<https://www.resiliencebc.ca/report-support/hate-crimes-in-bc/>

For more information tools and resources on racism from the Ministry of Education’s Erase strategy, visit:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase/racism>

North Shore Rescue

North Shore Rescue has created an online, interactive video “[Survive Your Own Adventure](#)”. This was designed to educate people about making good choices while enjoying the outdoors. The video is also available on the new District [Outdoor Safety web page](#).

Foundry App

Recently, the Province of BC announced the launch of the Foundry BC app, which offers young people aged 12 to 24 and their caregivers access to integrated health and wellness services. Visit the [Foundry Virtual BC web page](#) to download the app or to access the web portal online.

Ready, Set Leap into Learning - Virtual Presentation

The North Vancouver School District invites parents, guardians and caregivers of 3 to 5-year olds to a virtual session designed to encourage and support children’s early language and literacy skills. The virtual session is available [here](#). At the end, participants will learn how they can pick up a complimentary tote bag filled with fun learning activities, including the book “One-Dog Canoe” by Mary Casanova.

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. [By-election 2021 | District of North Vancouver \(dnv.org\)](#) [Candidate profiles | District of North Vancouver \(dnv.org\)](#)

May 29 – General voting day

Important Dates

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

May 29 – Trustee By-Election general voting day

Kind regards,

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