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The School Community of Ross Road strives to support potential for all that values diversity and is built in a safe and caring environment.

Ross Road is welcoming, caring and inclusive. We foster a culture of engaged learners and critical thinkers who are responsible and respectful. As a school community we promote a sense of belonging for all.

Monday Message

Dear Ross Road Families.

As we enter into this final week of school before the winter holidays, we want to express our thanks to families for their support and positive collaboration since September. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school in the new year on Tuesday, January 4th, 2022. Please take care and enjoy the winter break.

Ross Road Gives Back

Thank you so much for participating. Your generosity is amazing! We collected over 300 gift cards with a variety of amounts on them. In the first few days, over \$515 was donated online. We will share the final tally once North Shore Families Services can total it for us. We appreciate partnering with the Ross Road community and thank Ms. Colangelo and division E03, Ms. Peters and division E04 and Mrs. McAllister for organizing.

Reminder: Comfy Cozy Sweater Day

On December 16 and 17, we will be turning down the heat in our school to save energy and reduce our carbon footprint. Our Enviro-club would like to raise awareness about little actions each of us can take to reduce our carbon footprint, such as wearing a sweater instead of turning up the heat. Thursday, December 16, will be Comfy Cozy Sweater Day and Friday, December 17, is PJ Day. The heat will be turned down both days. Please make sure your kids come dressed warm and cozy, so they don't get cold.

Do you plan to travel this holiday season?

<u>Please review the Covid-19 International Travel Requirements</u> as they are frequently being updated.

- Students, staff and other adults who are not fully vaccinated and have travelled outside of Canada cannot attend school until a minimum 14 days after arrival, as part of <u>federal requirements</u>.
- Specific information is also available on the <u>COVID-19 requirements</u> for fully vaccinated travellers and unvaccinated children less than 12 years of age web page. This information is also available in multiple languages via a downloadable PDF; click <u>HERE</u> for the English version.

If you plan to travel, please take the time to carefully read the Government of Canada resources. If it is for an extended absence, please also contact the principal.

Reminder: Important Health and Safety Reminders

SEND A MASK!!

We appreciate when students remember to <u>bring a mask from home</u>. Please help us by ensuring your child has at least two masks in their backpacks daily. We seem to be running out on an almost daily basis!

Please continue to monitor your child closely for illness and keep them home when sick.

- Complete a <u>Daily Health Check</u> and Stay Home when sick
 - o K-12 Health Check app
 - Refer to the BCCDC's When to test for COVID-19 document
 - Staff, students and families can also use the BCCDC online Self-Assessment Tool
- Remind your child to practice proper hand hygiene
- Don't forget to send a water bottle
- For school exposure notification information from the school district please check <u>HERE</u>

Ross Road PAC Update

The Ross Road Family Holiday Happy Hour This WEDNESDAY!

Don't miss out on the fun...make sure you register to participate in the PAC virtual holiday event taking place this week. All Ross Road families are welcome to call in for festive games, holiday trivia, some laughs, and prizes!

Wednesday December 15th

6:30-7:30pm

Link to Register with Zoom

Final Reminder: 2022-2023 Kindergarten Registration

Do you have a child born in 2017? Please note that registration for 2022/2023 Kindergarten (Priority Placement) ends December 17 at 4:00pm. Detailed instructions on the registration process, including forms and documentation required, are available on the North Vancouver School District website.

<u>2022-2023 Kindergarten Registration - North Vancouver School District</u> (sd44.ca)

Note: you will need to book an appointment online to register your child.

Important Dates:

December 15 - PAC Holiday Happy Hour 6:30-7:30pm

December 16 – Comfy Cozy Sweater Day (sponsored by the Enviro Club)

December 17 – Last day before winter break-Wear your pjs! (Dress warmly)

January 4 – First day back after winter break (full day of school)

Kind regards,

Kate Lechleiter, Principal

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The North Vancouver School District and Ross Road Elementary School are situated upon the unceded traditional territory of the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation. We would like to thank the Coast Salish people and value the opportunity to learn, share and grow on this traditional territory.