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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,

We hope you had a wonderful long weekend.

Jump Rope for Heart

Great job Ross Road! So far, just over \$2000 has been raised for Jump Rope for Heart Campaign, getting closer to our \$10,000 goal! Remember, 10% of all funds raised will be used to purchase gym equipment for the school. It's easy to register your child online. Go to www.jumpropeforheart.ca and click on "Join us" to register your child. You can also send the following link to friends and family so that they can donate to help your child reach their personal fundraising goal.

<http://support.heartandstroke.ca/goto/RossRoadSchoolPage>

Tempo Tuesday

Tempo Tuesday is a running club that will take place before school, every Tuesday morning in May. Warm-up at 8:05, then run and music until 8:30. There will be Participation ribbons and prizes for participants that have returned a consent form. Consent forms went home last week. Please return forms to the classroom teacher.

Track and Field

We are excited to announce that Track and Field is back on this year for all interested students in grades 4-7. Track and Field permission forms and schedules were handed out last week. There are extra forms in the office. **Please note: Grade 6/7 Shotput has moved from Friday to Monday (8:00-8:35)**

Reminder: Grade 4 & 7 Parents/Guardians Student Learning Survey

Each year, the Ministry of Education conducts the Student Learning Survey. Information about this important survey was emailed to grade 4 and 7 families last week. This is a reminder to please take the time to complete the survey. The FINAL day for the survey is April 30, 2022.

Rapid Antigen Tests for K-12 Students

Please email rossroad@sd44.ca or call 604-903-3750 to make arrangements to pick up if you have not already done so.

Body Science – Saleema Noon Video Resources

Each year, students in all elementary grades throughout BC receive instruction in sexual health education. This information is included in the Physical and Health Education program mandated for all BC students by the Ministry for Education. This school year, Saleema Noon and her team are offering this to families online. For the month of April, parents (who have previously signed up) and teachers are granted access to Saleema's online learning platform, *Body Science Online*. These supplementary resources are optional tools for the teachers to utilize as they explore these concepts.

Reminder: Ross Road School Musical April 26-28

Please see attached letter

Reminder: Morning Intermediate (Grade 4-7) Homework Club

We are offering a pilot morning homework club. Students will be able to come to one scheduled morning session per week. The sessions will be in the library supported by Educational Assistants and will be from 8-8:35am. Students will be able to enter from 8-8:15am only. Students should come with all the materials they need and EAs will be there to provide support. For more information, please connect with your child's teacher.

Schedule:

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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Grade 4 | Grade 5 | Grade 6 | Grade 7 | Grade 7 |

Class Photos

Please mark your calendar as we will be having class photos taken at the school on Tuesday, May 3rd.

Are You Moving?

If your child(ren) is in kindergarten to grade 6, please let the office know if you are planning on leaving Ross Road for the 2022-2023 school year. This information is extremely valuable as we start to plan for the next school year.

Health and Safety Reminders

- With the nicer weather, we are so glad to see many students and families riding their bicycles and scooters to school. For everyone's safety, please remember to walk them as soon as you arrive on school grounds. Please use the PAC purchased bike and scooter racks to lock them up rather than the chain.
- Please do not enter the cul-de-sac on Allan for drop-off/pick-up.
- Please do not enter the cul-de-sac on Bushnell past the crosswalk for drop-off/pick-up

- Continue to be respectful of our neighbours by not blocking their driveways, and following all posted signage.
- Please to continue with a [daily health check](#) and to stay at home when sick.
- Continue to practice healthy hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette
- Masks are now optional, and we will respect everyone's choice to activate this layer of protection whenever needed (unless you have travelled outside the country then please follow [Federal Guidelines](#)).
- Parents and guardians are still asked to make appointments (email or phone call) to meet with school staff before or after school.
- If you do enter the school for a scheduled meeting, all visitors must report to the office and complete the QR code sign-in process

Translation Options

To view this update in a language option of your choice, please review and enable the message translation options available through your email provider. While not exhaustive, we have provided links to popular email providers: [Microsoft Outlook](#) and [Gmail](#).

Important Dates:

April 15-23 – Passover

April 22 – Earth Day

April 22 – Musical soundcheck

April 25 – Musical dress rehearsal

April 26-28 - Spring Musical

April 27 – Administrative Professionals' Day

April 28 – [National Day of Mourning](#)

April 29 – 'Jumpathon' for Jump Rope for Heart

May – Asian History Month

May 1 – International Family Equality Day

May 2-3 Eid al-Fitr

May 3 - Class Photos

May 9 – District Wide Professional Development day

May 23 – Victoria Day

If you have any questions or concerns, please communicate with your child's classroom teacher or contact us at the school.

Kind regards,

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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.