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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,

Last week, Ross Road students participated in a very meaningful, student-led, assembly in recognition of National Truth and Reconciliation Day. The grade 6 and 7 students in E01, F02, and F01 also contributed their leadership for this important event. We are proud of the students for their engagement and the school-wide learnings that continue to happen.

All students at Ross Road are building on their social emotional competencies. To support that, teachers use the Second Step program. This week, the focus is on building a sense of belonging and the ways in which each student contributes in a positive way to our school community.

Photo Day Oct 7

The Ross Road individual photo day is coming up this Friday so mark your calendars. Here are some important reminders:

- Students will be photographed at the school
- No payment or order form needs to be returned at this time
- Please do not wear green to avoid blending with the background
- Images will be available online to view once they are ready
- You may wish to setup notifications at edgeimaging.ca/photoday
- [Link](#) to more information

Black Bears

As you know, black bears live on the North Shore. This is the time of year when they are most active as they prepare for winter. Please review this with your child as they may come across a bear as they travel to or home from school:

- Stay calm – it helps to take a deep breath
- Speak to the bear in a calm voice – this identifies you as human
- Slowly back away – give the bear an exit and show you are not a threat
- Other important information [LINK](#) & [LINK](#)

Reminder: Basketball and Cross Country

We are excited that both Cross Country (Grade 4-7) and Basketball (Grade 6/7) are starting. Please remind students bring their forms back.

Cross Country starts at **8:00am** sharp as they will be running off school grounds. Practice dates are **Tuesday and Friday** mornings.

Basketball practices are:

Girls - Monday at lunch and Wednesday mornings

Boys - Tuesday and Friday at lunch

Game schedules will be finalized and shared with participants once they are confirmed.

PAC INFORMATION

The Card Project is underway

- The students are now completing their masterpieces for The Card Project. Be sure to register online. Every child who has completed the online consent form will receive a free greeting card that showcases their art with their name and grade printed on the back.
- **If you would like your child to participate in The Card Project this year, you must complete the online consent form. Please go to www.thecardproject.ca to sign up. **Deadline to complete the consent form, so that your child can participate in The Card Project, is Friday, October 7, 2022****

Important Dates:

October is ADHD & Dyslexia awareness month

October 4 – Yom Kippur

October 5 – Curriculum Implementation Day, **no school for students**, & World Teachers' Day

October 7 – Photo Day

October 10 – Thanksgiving, no school, & World Mental Health Day

Please remember to check the school [website](#) for important dates, a copy of all school newsletter and other important information. You are also encouraged to subscribe to the [school calendar](#).

<https://www.sd44.ca/school/rossroad/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Kind regards,

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