



## École Ross Road School

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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,

This week at Ross Road the Second Step focus is on Empathy. Students are discussing how getting along with others requires empathy. They are learning that empathy is an understanding of what someone else is feeling.

#### **Report Cards published Dec 9**

Student report cards will be published this Friday at the end of the day. Families are encouraged to update their login information now so they can access the report card on Friday when it is published.

#### Parents/Guardians new to Ross Road & Without a Parent Account:

You should have received an email during the past few months from MyEducation BC with instructions about how to log into the MyEducation BC Parent Portal. This email included your User ID and temporary password. Please check your email inbox for an email from accounts such as [sysop@myeducation.gov.bc.ca](mailto:sysop@myeducation.gov.bc.ca) or [admin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca](mailto:admin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca)

#### Returning Parents/Guardians with Existing Accounts:

Passwords are required to be reset every three months as per the regulations set out by the Ministry of Education and FIPPA (Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act). Please see instructions to reset password below:

1. Log into MyEducation BC using this link (<https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>)
2. Login is your email address (the same one you provided to the school)
3. Type in the password you used to access Term 3 reports. If this is successful, a message box may pop up immediately asking you to reset your password. Create a new password with the following criteria:
  4. 8 minimum, 14 maximum characters
  5. 1 capital letter, 1 lowercase letter
  6. 1 number
  7. 1 special character: # or \$ or \_
8. Cannot contain the password, first name, middle name, last name date of birth personal id or sequential letters or numbers
  - a. If you have forgotten your password click on "I forgot my password" and you will be emailed a new temporary password. **DO NOT copy/paste the password**– you must manually enter it.
9. Ten unsuccessful attempts will disable your account. It may take approximately half a day for it to be re-enabled.
10. Home computers may have unique restrictions. If you experience difficulties, try another web browser such as Chrome, Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari, Opera, MS Edge. One of these may be the reason you cannot login or are having trouble viewing items.
11. If you login and do not see a report card, it may be because you have logged in before the report card is published.

If you have any issues please contact Jessica Falandysz in the office ([jfalandysz@sd44.ca](mailto:jfalandysz@sd44.ca))

### **Reminder: Winter Charity**

Ross Road is proud to support The Family Services of the North Shore Caring Schools Initiative. Starting today, Ross Road will be collecting gift cards for the Youth to Youth gift card campaign. If you are able to support they are suggesting \$25 gift cards to Sephora, Sports Chek, Hot Topic, Best Buy, EB Games, Zara, Urban Planet, H&M, Park Royal or Happy Teen. You can also make a direct donation using this link: [Caring Schools - Family Services of the North Shore](#) and select Ross Road. This campaign is open from Nov 28-Dec 9. If you have questions, please connect with Ms. McAllister [mmcallister@sd44.ca](mailto:mmcallister@sd44.ca). Thank you Ravens!

If you are a person who needs support at this time, you can follow this link to find out more information [Christmas Bureau - Family Services of the North Shore](#).

### **Reminder: Winter Weather**

Don't forget, if the ground is icy outside, students are welcome to enter via the main doors on the east side of the school when the bell rings instead of their meeting spot. This area is prioritized for shoveling and salting along with the path to the portables to and from the main school building.

Please ensure your child(ren) has appropriate clothing and footwear for winter conditions and allow extra time to get to school (and a change of clothes where appropriate). All NVSD schools will remain OPEN, if at all possible during winter weather, including snowfalls. Any district-wide closure will be decided by 6:30am and announced through the media, placed on the school district website and schools' websites, shared with parents/guardians via School Messenger (email and/or text) and emailed to staff. For more information, please visit the [Severe Weather Information](#) web page.

### **PAC Information**

#### **The Ross Road Winter Craft Fair this Thursday, Dec 8, 5-8pm**

REMINDER: PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN MUG, DISH AND SHOPPING BAGS. These will not be supplied by the bake sale or craft vendors. Thanks.

**TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!** Tickets will be sold (or collect the ones you have pre-ordered through MunchaLunch) before and after school December 7th and 8th. The table will be located at the front of the school from 8:30 to 9:15am and 2:30 to 3:15pm. Tickets will also be sold at the Fair. CASH ONLY PLEASE. These tickets can be used for Bake Sale items, The 'Make Your Own Craft' Table, games, face painting, and Photo Booth. RAFFLE BASKET tickets will also be sold starting Wednesday morning and on the night of the craft fair.

**WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS!:** Please sign up, we can't do this without you. You can sign up for time slots via Fresh Schools. Each time slot is 1 hour, except for set-up (2 hours). There are lots of fun choices for volunteering so please check it out. To access the sign up please go to Fresh Schools

- > click Calendar
- > Click the Winter Craft fair day (Dec 8th)
- > Then choose your volunteer choices

**BAKE SALE:** We are still looking for parents or students to get out the muffin tins, cookie sheets and mixers and make yummy treats to sell at the Winter Craft Fair! Items will be *donated* from the baker, and all proceeds from the bake sale will go to the PAC. Contact Andrea Wnuk [acwnuk@gmail.com](mailto:acwnuk@gmail.com) if you are interested in donating baked goods for the fair!

**GLASS JARS:** We are still seeking clean small to medium sized glass jars, (Spaghetti, Salsa, Mason etc.) to use at our 'Make Your Own Craft' Table at the fair. You can drop them off to Bronwen any school morning/afternoon outside Mme Zayonc's F13 - Grade 1 Classroom. North/West corner of the main building.

### **Important NVSD Events & Registrations**

#### **NVSD Chess Championship - February 17**

The NVSD Chess Championship returns on Friday, February 17, and will be hosted at the Education Services Centre (2121 Lonsdale Avenue).

The tournament is open to all NVSD students, and all skill levels are welcome. There are two divisions for players to enter (elementary and secondary). While there is no fee to register, pre-registration is required as there is a maximum number of participants in each division.

For more information and to register your child, please visit the event's [Information and Registration](#) web page.

#### **2023/2024 Kindergarten – Priority placement registration ends December 9**

Priority placement registration for 2023/2024 Kindergarten (children born in 2018) ends on Friday, December 9 at 4 p.m. Detailed instructions on the registration process, including forms and documentation required, are available on the [Kindergarten registration](#) web page.

Registrations received after December 9 (4 p.m.) will be placed according to space and facilities availability and the date the registration was received.

#### **Important Dates:**

Dec 6 – National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

Dec 8 – PAC Winter Craft Fair 5-8pm

Dec 9 – Report Cards published to the Portal

Dec 13 – Band Concert Ross Road gym 7pm

Dec 15 – Strings Concert Windsor Secondary 6pm

Dec 16 – Last day of classes before schools close for winter holidays, wear pajamas or comfy clothes

Jan 3 – School opens, full day

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

Kind regards,

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