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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,

Today was a professional development day at Ross Road. Staff members engaged with the district information technology teachers around a variety of topics.

This week, the Second Step focus is on Managing Learning Challenges. Students will be discussing how using steps to calm down helps with learning. Students may experience strong feelings when they have to wait, make a mistake, or when they have trouble finishing a task. These are moments to practice using their 'stop signal', name their feeling, and calm down. When staff and students at Ross Road calm down our emotions, it helps us all learn.

### **District Information**

There has been a lot of important information shared via district communications recently. Click [here](#) for more information on a few areas you may find helpful:

### **New registration and transfer requests - Begin January 23**

Priority placement for new registrations and transfers for Grades 1-12 begins on Monday, January 23 and ends on Friday, March 3 at 4 p.m. Visit the [2023/2024 Registrations and Transfer Requests web page](#) for detailed information.

## **Proposed 2023/2024 School Calendar**

School district community members will soon be invited to provide input on the proposed calendar for the 2023/2024 school year. Feedback will be collected online from Wednesday, February 1 until Tuesday, February 28, 11:59 p.m.

## **Budget Priorities 2023/2024**

School district community members will soon be invited to provide input on budget priorities that fall under the Operating Budget and align with the school district's strategic goals, vision and values. Feedback can be provided through two [Standing Committee Meetings](#) (Tuesday, February 7 and Tuesday, March 28), and from February 7 to March 10, by email, online survey or traditional mail. For more information about this upcoming engagement opportunity, visit the [Budget Priorities: Public Input](#) web page.

Click [here](#) for more information on other district opportunities:

- Trades Programs Information Night Feb 15
- Late French Immersion Information session and application period
- Digital Medica Academy Information Night Feb 1
- Academies applications
- Artist for Kids Spring Break Camps – registration open
- Elementary Band and Strings – registration open
- Learning for sustainable future: climate action youth forum Feb 8
- NVSD Chess Championship Feb 17
- African Ancestry Project – Call for youth participants
- Space Brain Hack 2022-2023
- Call for volunteers at the Gordon Smith Gallery

### **Important Dates:**

Jan 30 School-based professional development Day-**no school for students**

February Black History Month & Moose Hide campaign

Feb 1 Band and Strings festival at Centennial theatre

Feb 9 Lockdown drill (letter to come to families separately)

Feb 13 Grade 7 parent night at Argyle (more info on Argyle [website](#))

Feb 14 Valentine's Day

Feb 15 PAC AGM 7pm

Feb 16 Argyle Choir presentation & PAC Movie night

Feb 17 District pro-d-**no school for students**

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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