

Monday Message
September 24, 2018



Family Conference/Reporting

Please see additional attachment for a letter from Mr. Chris Atkinson, Assistant Superintendent, regarding Family Conferences in the Carson Graham Family of Schools.

Orange Shirt Day – Monday, October 1, 2018

Orange Shirt Day across Canada is recognized nationally and annually on September 30th. This date is significant as it is the approximate date that children would be taken to residential school. North Vancouver School District will recognize Orange Shirt Day on October 1, 2018. Orange Shirt Day was started by Phyllis Webstad, who is Northern Secwepemc (Shuswap) from the Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation, to honour and recognize all those who attended a residential school because she believes that "Every Child Matters". You can read more about Phyllis' story here <http://www.orangeshirtday.org/phyllis-story.html>

We will wear orange shirts in recognition of the harm the residential school system did to children's sense of self-esteem and well-being, and as an affirmation of our commitment to ensure that everyone around us matters. For our youngest students, we are focusing on the message that every child matters.

Indigo Adopt a School Program – September 15th to October 7th

Please visit adoptaschool.indigo.ca to support Westview's library.

Westview Open House - Meet Your Child's Teacher

You are invited to Westview's Open House on Thursday, September 27th from 3:00p.m. to 3:45 p.m. During this time, your child can take you on a tour of the school and their classroom giving you an opportunity to meet their teacher, who will be in their classrooms. At 3:45p.m. you are invited to go to the gym to join the PAC for the Westview PAC 'Ice Cream Social'.

Toonie for Terry

Westview students and staff will be participating in the annual Terry Fox Run on Thursday, September 27th, 2018 in the morning after recess. Please note that for your child to participate in this very important event, a Walking Field Trip form must be completed (one of the online forms).

Terry once said, "When I started this run, I said that if we all gave one dollar, we'd have \$22 million for cancer research, there is no reason that isn't possible. No reason!"

We are asking that students bring a toonie for the donation jar and Westview can reach its donation goal of \$500

Nchemus Day – Celebrating People Coming Together

Sunday, September 30, 2018. Please see additional attachment for more information.

Important Dates in September and October

Monday, September 24th – Westview PAC meeting in the library at 6:30p.m.

Wednesday, September 26th – Staff Collaboration **2p.m. dismissal**

Thursday, September 27th – Terry Fox Run after recess ***Toonie for Terry***

Friday, September 28th – Westview School Based Professional Day

Monday, October 1st –Orange Shirt Day

Thursday, October 4th – Body Science presentation for parents 6:30 to 8 p.m.
(see additional attachment for more information)

Sincerely,

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Principal

Marilyn McVey
Vice Principal