



February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021

Newsletter #6

It is hard to believe that the month of February is upon us! We have a busy but short month ahead! We thank all families for keeping everyone safe by following the health protocols set out by the provincial government.

### **What's going on in front of the school??!!!**

The site preparation for our new playground is underway! The front and east side undercover entrances are closed until the parking lot is cleared and opened up again. In the interim, we are asking all parents and visitors to enter the west entrance doors. Students are lining up in the field by their Division #s for dropping off and picking up.

### **Interim Reports. . .**

Prior to restrictions due to Covid-19, we would be holding Student Led Interviews on Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. Students will be dismissed at 1:53 p.m. on both days. Teachers will be in contact with parents this week to report on your child(ren's) progress so far this term.

Due to limitations of traffic in schools, teachers will be providing interim reports for students.

### **Family Day...**

This year, Family Day is on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. The school will be closed so families can spend some time together!

### **Parent Advisory Council . . .**

The next Parent Advisory Council meeting will be on **Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM** via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/62023347270?pwd=RE96RkRjczN2ZEdiTkIabm1YS2N1UT09>

If you are interested in learning more about our Parent Advisory Council, please call the school at (250) 624-6218.

### **Subway Lunch...**

The next subway lunch is on Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. Forms are due the week before on Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Anti-Bullying Day ...**

This year, Anti-Bullying Day is on Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. We encourage students and staff to wear pink on this day.

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*Pink Shirt Day this year is focusing on working together and treating others with dignity and respect. As we are all affected by the Covid-19 pandemic, the importance of helping one another and advocate for those who need it. We need to remember to "lift each other up" and support programs that encourage self-esteem and teach empathy, compassion and kindness (from the Pink Shirt Day website).*

### **Kindergarten Registration**

Children who will be 5 years old by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 are eligible to register for Kindergarten starting in September. Kindergarten registration opens February 1<sup>st</sup>. Please call the Lax Kxeen office to book an appointment. Please bring your child's birth certificate and Care Card for photocopying. Thank you!

### **Valentine's Celebrations**

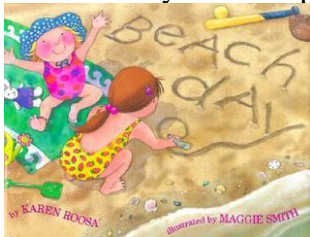
Most classes will be doing some sort of Valentine's celebration on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. We want to remind parents that due to Covid-19 health guidelines, we cannot accept home treats for classes. All treats must be store/bakery bought and individually wrapped. Thank you. Valentine's cards for classes are permissible.

### **Cross-Boundary Applications**

Students who are currently attending Lax Kxeen Elementary School do not need to resubmit a cross boundary application each year. Only those new Kindergarten students who live out of the Lax Kxeen catchment must apply as soon as possible. The district will accept applications only until the end of the month which is Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **School Spirit Day**

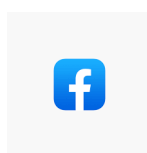
Our February School Spirit Day is on Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. The theme will be: **BEACH DAY!**



### **Important dates to remember . . .**

Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> - Students Dismissed at 1:53 p.m.  
Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup> - Family Day - No School  
Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> - PAC Meeting via Zoom at 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> - **Pink Shirt Day - Anti-Bullying**  
Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup> - School Spirit Day- **Beach Day**

Weekly updates about events at school will be posted on our website:  
<http://laxkxeen.rupertschools.ca/>



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