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## **School Updates**

Éy kwesé e'mi – welcome – it is good that you are here!

Thank you to our families for the patience with our September start up. It has allowed us to make the best decision for placing students to set them up for a successful year!

Focus of the Month - Being Safe: I can keep my hands and feet to myself. We know we can feel emotions and all emotions are normal to feel. We always encourage students to feel and express themselves in a safe way.



**Code of Conduct -** This guides our expectations of students, staff, families and community members. We do expect families to follow this as role models for our students. This can be found on our website. If we are Safe, Warm-Hearted, show Integrity and are Mindful - we can all SWIM for success!

**School Grounds Etiquette -** We ask that our families are mindful of the images/messages on their own clothing to support our School Code of Conduct and are school appropriate.



**From Home -** We know your child has favourite items. They need to stay home to be loved. We have equipment and items here for them to enjoy.

**School Supplies -** \$40 for supplies per child is due. This can be paid online at studentquickpay.com/sd33/ or at the office. Please note: We are not able to make change for any money coming to the school.

**Permission Forms** - Please ensure you have completed the Walking Permission Form and Media Release on studentquickpay.com/sd33/

**School Photos -** Your child came home with a card with a QR Code on it. This is how you can order photos. We have photo retakes on Oct.16 if your child missed them in September or if their photo did not turn out the way you had hoped.





**Library Update -** The Book Fair this year will be the week of Oct. 15. Students are welcome to bring their money to shop during school hours and we look forward to welcoming families to shop after early dismissal on Oct. 18.

**Teacher Conferences -** Teachers will be reaching out with information on how they will be completing their conferences. We encourage all families to come, tour the school and connect with the teacher! We will dismiss early to host these conferences. This will be on Oct.18 from 11:22-2:30pm. We hope to see you!

## **Dates To Remember**

Oct. 1 PAC Meeting @5:30pm in the library

Oct.4 Hot Lunch: Little Caesars
Oct. 9/10 PE: Cycling Program Gr. 4/5

Oct. 14 Thanksgiving Day Stat - No School

Oct. 15 Book Fair Week
Oct. 16 Photo Retake Day

Oct. 18 Early Dismissal @ 11:22am & Teacher Conferences

Oct. 25 Provincial Pro-D Day - No School

Oct. 27 PE: Ninja Course Week

Oct. 31 Costume, Black & Orange Day - No weapons/props/blood/

masks please

**School Hours - 8:24am-2:22pm**. Recess is 9:45-10:00am & Lunch is from 12:00-12:45pm. If you are not able to pick up your child at 2:22pm, please contact the office.

**Reporting a Student Absence** - To report your child absent we have a Safe Arrival program. These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time. You can use one of the following:

- Option 1: Download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store. The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
- Option 2: Use the SafeArrival website, https://www.sd33.bc.ca/safearrival. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
- Option 3: Call the toll-free number 1-833-698-6567 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

**School Spirit Day:** Halloween We encourage students to either wear Orange & Black or their costume if it is school appropriate. We need to ensure students can still learn in all areas of the school while wearing their costume and we can identify them. This means no masks, fake weapons, or blood on their costumes. We encourage all props kept at home to prevent them from being damaged.



**CCECSS Update -** We have programs running in the evening and after school! Tzeachten FC will be back with Soccer, Creative Kids Art Club and School's Out Program will be options. More information to come!

**PAC Update -** Hot lunch is ordered online at www.munchalunch.com and is mostly on the first Friday of each month. For October - it is Little Caesar's Pizza. Our next PAC Meeting is on Tuesday, Oct. 1st @5:30pm in our Library. We are a child-friendly space.