Weekly Message from Seaside Park

Good evening this is Mrs. Myatt with this week's message from Seaside Park

A reminder that students are to be at school, ready for learning each day by 8:30am. Student drop-off starts at 8:15am. There is no supervision of students until this time.

Upcoming Dates:

Monday, February 5th – our Grade 5 students switch their programs today. A letter was sent home with all students explaining this.

Tuesday, February 6th – Fundraiser orders and money due back to the school today.

Wednesday, February 7th – Transition to Kindergarten day for our Pre-Kindergarten students. Students with last names A-L will attend from 2:30-3:15 and students with last names M-Z will attend from 3:30-4:15.

Black History Month - Every February, people across Canada participate in Black History Month events and festivities that honour the legacy of Black people in Canada and their communities. The 2024 theme for Black History Month is: "Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate; a Future to Build". This theme celebrates the rich past and present contributions and accomplishments of Black people in Canada, while aspiring to embrace new opportunities for the future.

Lunar New Year – Lunar New Year begins on Saturday, February 10th.

Memo from New Brunswick's Acting Chief Medical Officer – a reminder that the letter from the Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Yves A. Léger and also Public Health's Exclusion Guidelines for Schools was sent home with students last week. The information included in these two memos outlines steps that all families can take to minimize the spread of influenza, RSV, Covid -19. It also outlines illness exclusions as follows:

Stay home if your child has:

One of the following: fever, or a new or worsening cough;

OR

Two or more of the following: difficulty breathing, sore throat, runny nose/congestion, headache, new onset of fatigue or purple markings on the fingers and toes of children;

Symptoms of gastro-intestinal illness, such as vomiting or diarrhea.

Public Health recommends that those who are sick should stay home until they are feeling better, are fever-free for at least 24 hours without using fever-reducing medication, free of vomiting and diarrhea for at least 48 hours (if present) and are well enough to participate fully in all activities.

Please be reminded that principals must follow and communicate Public Health's Exclusion Guidelines for Schools when determining when and for how long a student should be excluded from school.

Grade 1 Early French and Grade 6 Late Immersion Registration Process 2024-2025 Information for Parents: (This is for current Kindergarten and Grade 5 students only)

To register for Grade 1 Early French and Grade 6 Late French Immersion, please complete the online registration form that I have included as a link in my email message. You can register your child between January 16th – February 16th. If you are unable to complete the form electronically, please call Andrea McCready at 643-7682.

If you were unable to attend the parent information night and would like more information on French Second Language programs, please see the Everyone at their Best PowerPoint – also included as a link in my email. For any questions regarding French Immersion please contact: Kelly Adams, Elementary French Immersion Coordinator – Kelly.adams@nbed.nb.ca

School Musical – Thank you to all of our students who showed an interest in auditioning for our school musical. It was difficult to narrow our cast down to 30 students. For those who were not selected for this year – we encourage you to audition for other opportunities in the future!

Seaside Park Night of the Arts – We will be hosting Seaside Park Night of the Arts. Our tentative date is April 25th. A sheet outlining the audition process will be sent home with students on Monday. In order to audition, students must bring back the form filled out and signed by an adult. Auditions will be held the entire lunch hour (12:00pm-12:50pm) in the cafeteria. Students in the musical can also audition for the talent show.

 \cdot Students will bring their lunch and eat while they are waiting for their audition.

 \cdot If a student is absent on their assigned day, they will audition on the next scheduled audition day.

OR

Auditions will be on the following dates: Monday, February 12th- Kindergarten Wednesday, February 14th- Grade 1 Friday, February 16th- Grade 2 Wednesday, February 21st- Grade 3 Friday, February 23rd- Grade 4 Monday, February 26th- Grade 5 Wednesday, February 28th (if needed)

Grade 5 Grad Sweatshirts - Grade 5 students have the opportunity to order a special school sweatshirt (hoodie), designed only for our Grade 5 students. The sweatshirts are grey with teal writing and will have a Seaside swoop with 2024 underneath and will have the number 24 on the back with all the Grade 5 students' signatures. The hoodies are \$35 each (tax included). We will have sample sweatshirts at the school so that we can ensure a proper fit. Order forms and money are due back on or before March 2nd.

Home and School News:

Event News:

- We will be rescheduling the Glow Dance in the coming weeks. Stay tuned.

- Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week is coming up February 12th to 16th. Please keep an eye for a notice coming home with students from Home and School with a few special requests on February 5th.

- We have some events planned for February for our families as well but more to come on that.

Fundraiser News:

A reminder that the order forms and money for our Mitchell's Soup Company fundraiser is due back to the school this Tuesday, February 6th.

As always, you can reach the SPES Home and School Association at seasideparkhands@gmail.com, follow the school FB page and follow our NEW SPES Home and School News FB page <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61555740451292&mibextid=LQQJ4d</u>

That's all for this week.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at the school at 658-2729 or through email at <u>Jocelyn.myatt@nbed.nb.ca</u>

Thank you and have a great week!