## Week at a Glance – Nov 1, 2021

Another super busy and amazing week at the school! I keep saying that every week feels like two weeks in one but this week felt like three weeks in one! Two new staff members; welcome to Lindsay Reynolds teaching Gr K/1/2 Mondays and Tuesdays and also welcome to Emma Scheurwater our new educational assistant in all class. We also had quite a few updates and changes from maintenance this week including a new countertop and taps in the kitchen and many other upgrades. Of course, we can not forget the fun Friday Halloween Dress-up day! I was impressed with the creative costumes of the students, staff and even some parents at the costume parade. I know we all had a great day of theme-based learning. Thanks to all the families who attended the parade and made it such a special school event.

Parent conferences are Thursday Nov 18 and will be 15 minute long, in person meetings to discuss student expectations, progress and year plans. Isabel will be reaching out to you this week with the schedule teachers have made themselves available to meet with you. We will do our best to meet you at a time that works for your family. If you wish to make other arrangements to meet online or over the phone, please communicate this to Isabel.

Remembrance Day Ceremony – This event will take place rain or shine outside the front of the school on Wednesday, Nov 10 starting at 10:45am. Students will be singing a peace song, reciting poems, presenting class prepared poppies and hosting the event. We will have a local veteran and an Indigenous leader speak about the significance of the day and the last post played live. We will observe two minutes of silence. The ceremony will be approximately 30 minutes long and is open to all families and guests who wish to attend. It is going to be a lovely event and it would be great to have an audience for the students. We hope you will be able to attend.

School photos that were missed and retakes will need to be arranged through Lifetouch at 250-738-0983. They will not be coming back top the school to have retakes.

School fees are now over due, please make arrangements to pay them either in cash, by cheque or through etransfer to <u>denman@sd71.bc.ca</u> They are \$40 per student. Please email me if you require other arrangements y<u>olanda.lehton@sd71.bc.ca</u>

Touchpoints Parenting Program presented throught the Child Development Center- The Touchpoints Parenting Program is a sequential six week, practical and preventative program designed to meet the needs of todays families. The goal of the program is to support positive parent-child relationships. For more information and to register please email: <u>touchpoints@cvcda.ca</u> This program will be delivered via Zoom Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 Nov 8-Dec15.-8:30 pm November 8th-December 13th 2021.

Lastly, the school website is one of the best places to find all the details and up to date information on events happening at the school. Isabel and our tech department have done a wonderful job of creating it and keeping it up to date. You can view it <u>here</u>. This week you will see that we are having mason bee presentations and a garden clean-up party on Wednesday, Nov 3.

Have a fabulous week of fall! Yolanda Lehton, Vice-Principal