



ÉCOLE PUNTLEDGE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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WEEKLY E-BULLETIN – January 24th-28th

Dear Puntledge Families,

Here are a few Puntledge highlights this week:

1. Testing Positive for COVID or and/or having symptoms: Here are a few helpful links if your child has tested positive or is showing symptoms consistent with COVID: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/if-you-have-covid-19> and <http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/Tested-positive-COVID19.pdf>

2. PAC News

- a) **Hot Lunch – February:** White Spot - [Munchalunch](#) will be accepting orders and payment for the February 8th Hot Lunch until February 3rd and for the February 22nd Hot Lunch until February 17th.
- b) **Puntledge Bottle Bucks!** A reminder to please consider donating your Return-It Express deposits (Courtenay location only) to the Parent Advisory Committee. Place your unsorted containers in a sealed, clear plastic bag (note: ensure you have no more than 12 glass bottles in a bag), bring it into the facility and enter the school's number - [250-334-4495](tel:2503344495) - at the express kiosk on the far right corner beside the front counter). Click here for more info and instructions: <https://www.return-it.ca/express/faqs/>. Apologies to families who tried to donate before the Break as there was a mix up with the registration in the first few weeks.
- c) **DPAC Speaker Series** – Promoting Peer Social Competence, Wednesday, February 2nd @ 7 pm. [Details here.](#)

3. Masks K-12 – Students from Kindergarten to grade 7 are still and more than ever expected to wear a mask while indoors as per Provincial Health Order. Please ensure your child has a few masks in their backpack.

4. Sick Children – Anyone who is sick or feeling sick may not come to school. Students feeling unwell or showing symptoms at school will be sent home.

5. Reporting Student Absence – Please be sure to email puntledge@sd71.bc.ca or phone the office at 250 334-4495 to report your child's absence. Please specify if your child is sick when reporting absence.

6. Student Registration for 2022-2023 – [Click here for more information from the School District website.](#) Registration for both French Immersion and Indigenous Kindergarten opens tonight, Monday, January 24th, at 6:00 pm on a first come, first served basis by using the [form found here](#). Late French Immersion registration opens Monday, February 7th at 6:00 pm.

7. Dogs - Thanks for keeping your dog leashed at all times on school property, especially during the crowded dismissal and arrival times. Also, if your dog is a jumper or barks at people / other dogs, it would be appreciated if you stayed away from crowded areas.

8. Parking Lot: Please review the school's [parking lot plan](#) and [expectations](#).

9. Criminal Record Check for Parent Drivers – The School District recently updated its' volunteer policies and among the changes, all parents volunteering to drive students to field trips and sporting events must have a valid and cleared criminal record check. If you think you might volunteer to drive students in the next 3 years, you can access the [online CRC process here](#). The access code is: 4HN64GAEQ9. There is no charge to volunteers and the results are usually confirmed in 2-4 weeks. Please keep your proof of submission until results are confirmed.

10. Dates to Remember:

Monday, January 24th – Kindergarten Registration opens online @ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, January 25th – Hot Lunch

Thursday, January 27th – Parent Info Session – Late French Immersion – Zoom – 6:30 pm

Friday, January 28th – Crazy Hair Day

February 4th – February 17th – Winter Olympics Activities @ Puntledge

Monday, February 7th – Grade 6 LFI Registration opens online @ 6:00 pm

Friday, February 18th – Non-instructional day (NO SCHOOL)

Monday, February 21st – Family Day (No School)

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