



Weekly E-Bulletin – September 18th – 22nd

Dear Robb Road Families,

Many tired students and staff Friday at the end of the first full week of school! Last Thursday, we welcomed all 71 Kindergarten students for their first full day of school. It was certainly a fun week of settling into new routines in new classrooms. We look forward to another exciting week ahead.

Here are a few items for your consideration this week:

1. Meet the Teacher Night – Teachers will be hosting parents and guardians in their classrooms next Tuesday, September 19th. There will be 2 classroom sessions, one at 5:00 and another at 5:15. This will allow parents to visit 2 different classes. At 5:30, parents and staff will be called into the gym for a brief staff introduction, an overview of the school year and a presentation from your PAC.

2. Terry Fox Run – This Friday afternoon, students will participate in the annual Terry Fox Run. K-1 students will run around the back field while grade 2-3 and grade 4-7 students will run a route through the neighbourhood. Runners will depart school just after 1:30 pm. Parent volunteers are still needed to ensure safety along the neighbourhood route. Please e-mail me at stephane.leblanc@sd71.bc.ca if you can be a safety volunteer for the neighbourhood run. Here is the [route map](#).

3. Terry Fox Fundraising – Terry Fox said, "anything is possible if you try." Inspired by his amazing example, our school is proudly taking part in this year's Terry Fox School Run. Please consider donating online to raise much-needed funds for cancer research ([École Robb Road Fundraising Page](#)). One of our fearless staff members has offered to have her head shaved if the school raises \$1500 – the equivalent of 3\$ per student.

4. Messages from your PAC

- Parents/Caregivers, the first PAC meeting of the year will be held right after "meet the teacher" at 6pm in the library. All who can, please attend. Please

click here for Tuesday's [PAC meeting agenda](#) and the [minutes of last year's last meeting](#). A reminder that child-minding is available during the meeting.

- There are a few positions on the PAC that are open at the start of this year
 - a. PAC chair-person
 - b. DPAC rep

- **HOT LUNCH (Kindergarten-Grade 7)**

Ordering is now open for hot lunch this Fall. Closing date is on **Wednesday, September 27th** at midnight.

We will not be taking late orders as this makes it challenging for our volunteers and vendors.

Please note that there are no special orders accepted. Any food left because of student absences will be donated. We cannot store food.

There are **no refunds** as the Hot Lunch program is a fundraiser for every student such as field trips, supplies, activities and more.

- **HOW TO ORDER HOT LUNCH & SALAD BAR**

Please go to: <http://robbroad.hotlunches.net>

- **Everyone start as a new user in new school year. Last year's accounts were deleted.**
- Press "click here to register" (under the login boxes).
- Enter the ACCESS CODE: **RRHL**
- Add students
- Manage Orders

If you have any questions or problems with ordering, please email: robbroadhotlunch@gmail.com

If ordering hot lunch is a strain on your family budget, but you would like your child(ren) to order, please reach out to your admin or PAC. Orders will be placed anonymously. This is being funded through PAC donations.

- **SALAD BAR**

What is the Salad Bar Program? This meal will offer a wide array of fresh vegetables and fruit (local when available), protein and whole grains with fresh homemade salad dressings. The day of meal service will be **Tuesday** and will be offered to students in **Grade 1-7**.

In order for this program to run, we need more volunteers! Our former organizer and some volunteers have graduated and moved on to high school. We do not have enough volunteers to run the program at the moment.

Shifts are either on Monday (grocery pick up, prep) or Tuesday (prep, meal service, clean-up) of the week it's offered. Volunteer schedule is built based on your availability. **We are happy to welcome parents and grandparents to our volunteer community.**

If you can help or would like more information about this very delicious and nutritious program, please email Hiroko robbroadhotlunch@gmail.com as soon as you can so we can determine if we can run the program this Fall. It takes a village to run a salad bar!

5. DPAC Speaker Series – The next DPAC Speaker Series presentation is Tuesday, September 19th @ 7:00 pm – Cultivate Consent with Kids (elementary). Email DPAC - DPAC@sd71.bc.ca to register and receive link.

6. Parenting Without Power Struggles - BGC (formerly Boys and Girls Club) is facilitating Parenting Without Power Struggles (PWPS) starting Thursday, October 5. PWPS is a nine-week peer-support parenting program for caregivers of kids aged 9 to 12. BGC runs PWPS twice per year.

PWPS – virtual - October 5 to November 30 - 7 to 8:30 PM

Register: parentingprograms@bgccvi.com

FMI: [Parenting Without Power Struggles - BGC Central Vancouver Island \(bgccvi.com\)](http://parentingwithoutpowerstruggles.org)

7. Cross-Country Running - Interested students from grades 3 to 7 will be invited to join the Cross-Country running team for lunch recess practices. Races are Sept. 27 (Puntledge), Oct. 4th (Cumberland) and Oct. 11th (Huband), Oct. 18th (Valley View), Oct. 25th (Brooklyn). Students will be called to a recess meeting Monday and will receive a permission form with more details. Our first practice will be Friday.

8. Dates to Remember

Monday, September 18th - Friday, September 22nd – Consent Week

Tuesday, September 19th Meet the Teacher Night from 5 to 6 (classrooms + gym)

Tuesday, September 19th – PAC Meeting @ 6:00 pm after Meet the Teacher Night (Library)

Friday, September 22nd – Terry Fox Run (1:30 run start)

Monday, September 25th – Friday, September 29th – Reconciliation Week

Wednesday, September 27th – First Cross Country Race @ Puntledge

Friday, September 29th - Orange Shirt Day

Monday, October 2nd – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – stat. holiday – no school

Wednesday, October 4th – Individual Photo Day

Wednesday, October 4th – Cross Country Race @ Cumberland

Monday, October 9th – Thanksgiving – stat. holiday – no school

Have a great week!

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