

ÉCOLE ROBB ROAD ÉLÉMENTAIRE / Comox Valley School (SD71)

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The RR Weekly - September 22nd-26th

Dear Robb Road Families,

Here are a few items for your consideration this week:

1. Terry Fox Run - Thanks to the many volunteers who helped make our annual Terry Fox Run a fun and safe event last Friday. Thanks also to Mme Rose for donating her hair – several students had an opportunity to cut it after we reached our first target of \$1000. Fundraising efforts so far have raised over \$1400 dollars and we hope to reach our ultimate goal of 2000\$ by the end of this week. Students can still bring in a toonie for Terry in the donation container in front of the office. Link for online donation.

2. Student Photo Day - Lifetouch will be at École Robb Road this Thursday, September 25th for individual student photos. Retakes are scheduled on October 22nd.

3. PAC News

*Hot Lunch (All students)

Ordering is now open. Closing date is Tomorrow.(Tuesday, September 23rd at midnight) Check last week's email for "How to order Hot Lunch"

*Salad Bar (Grade1-7)

Email: RobbRoadHotLunch@gmail.com for volunteering

* PAC needs volunteers!

Great to see many of you at the Meet the Teacher this week and we were so glad to have some new faces at the PAC meeting too. We are looking for a few volunteers to support PAC this year - below is a quick summary of roles - please reach out to Tlell (chairerrpac@gmail.com) or Hiroko (robbroadhotlunch@gmail.com) if you are interested!

a. **PAC Secretary:** Our current PAC Secretary unfortunately needs to step down from her role due to some unexpected commitments that have arisen since our AGM in May. Tlell was the previous Secretary so she is able to support someone stepping into this role with training. The role can be flexible but typically includes 1) drafting

and circulating all meeting minutes and agendas and maintaining the PAC Dropbox with minutes and agendas, 2) responding to email that comes into the chairerrpac@gmail.com email; 3) providing written submissions to ERR Weekly as needed; 4) liaising with SD71 Trustee; 5) maintaining BC Society reporting; 6) attending a monthly PAC Meeting and a monthly PAC Exec meeting.

Time commitment: 5 hours per month. Interested? Email Tlell at chairerrpac@gmail.com

b. **Salad Bar:** Looking for parents, grandparents or family members willing to support our salad bar program.

Shoppers: Going to Costco, buying food, delivering to school

Food prep team (Monday/Tuesday): Chopping and preparing salad items in the ERR kitchen - it is really fun! Mondays for about 1-2 hours. Also need a kitchen team lead for an additional hour to direct team and confirm prep is complete.

Food service team (Tuesday): Helping with setting up and service of salad bar to students. Tuesdays for 2 hours. Also need a service team lead Tuesdays for an additional hour to direct team and confirm service is complete.

Scheduling (Flexible): Coordinates the scheduling of salad bar offerings into the Hot Lunch system 3 times per year. Timing flexible and can be done in the evenings.

Volunteer manager (Flexible): Recruits volunteers and ensures we have enough folks for all salad bar shifts throughout the year.

Salad Bar Coordinator: There is also the possibility for someone to step into overall Salad Bar Coordinator role and shadow Hiroko this year with an eye to taking on the role next year.

Interested? Email Hiroko at <u>robbroadhotlunch@gmail.com</u>.

c. **Hot Lunch:** Looking for parents, grandparents or family members to support our largest fundraising initiative at ERR!

Vendor coordinator: confirms with vendors, picks up food and supplies (2 hours per week)

Hot Lunch Website: Adds hot lunch offerings to website 3x per year (~6 hours per year)

Hot Lunch Day Lead Thursdays at school: Setting up hot lunch delivery bins, receiving food from vendors, delivering lunches to classrooms, coordinating volunteers. (3 hours per week).

Hot Lunch Day Team: ~6 people who are available some Thursdays 10:30-12:30 to sort and deliver hot lunch. We need about 3-4 people each week so you don't need to be available every Thursday but at least a couple Thursdays a month. (2-8 hours per month)

Hot Lunch Coordinator: There is also the possibility for someone to step into overall Hot Lunch Coordinator role and shadow Hiroko this year with an eye to taking on the role next year. This role involves responding to emails from vendors/parents, coordinating payment from Treasurer and submitting receipts for reimbursement.

Interested? Email Hiroko at robbroadhotlunch@gmail.com

4. Understanding Individual Education Plans (IEPs) for Parents & Caregivers: Join Comox Valley Schools Inclusive Education and SD 71 DPAC for an important session to help parents and caregivers better understand Individual Education Plans (IEPs). This session will provide families with tools and knowledge to support their children's learning journeys. Registration is required. To register or learn more, email: dpac@sd71.bc.ca

Thursday, September 25th @ 6:30 – 8:00 pm 2488 Idiens Way, Courtenay Zoom option available + Free childcare option available

- <u>5. Parenting Without Power Struggles (PWPS)</u> BGC (formerly Boys and Girls Club) is facilitating <u>Parenting Without Power Struggles (PWPS)</u> starting Thursday, October 2. PWPS is a free nine-week peer-support parenting program for caregivers of kids aged 9 to 12. BGC runs PWPS twice per year (Fall and Spring). To register: <u>parentingprograms@bgccvi.com</u> or call 250-338-7141
- <u>6. Spirit Walk</u> Please consider joining the <u>Truth and Reconciliation Spirit Walk</u> on September 30th.
- <u>7. Buckets for recycling</u> Mme Yourchik's class (grade 5 division 16) looks after the recycling of returnable containers for the entire school and they are short a few 5 gallon buckets/pails. If you have one to spare, please bring it in. We'd rather recycle a few than purchase new.

8. Dates to Remember

Thursday, September 25th – Individual Student Photo Day Monday, September 29th – Orange Shirt Day

Tuesday, September 30th – No School – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Wednesday, October 1st – Cross Country Run @ Puntledge

Wednesday, October 8th – Cross Country Run @ Huband

Wednesday, October 15th – Cross Country Run @ Brooklyn

Wednesday, October 22nd – Photo Retakes

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Have a great week!

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I respectfully acknowledge that we are on the unceded traditional territory of the Pentlach, Sahtloot, Sasitla and Ieeksun Peoples (K'omoks First Nations) and am thankful for the privilege of living on the land and the gift of working with their children.