

Parent News

Week of January 10, 2022

MONDAY, January 10, 2022

- School reopens to all students

TUESDAY, January 11, 2022

- Discover New West Schools at NWSS Theater 6:30-8:30

WEDNESDAY, January 12, 2022

- French Immersion Parent Information night via Teams 6:30-7:30

THURSDAY, January 13, 2022

- Montessori Parent Information night via Teams 6:00-7:45
- Home Learners Program Parent Information night via Teams 6:45-7:30

FRIDAY, January 14, 2022

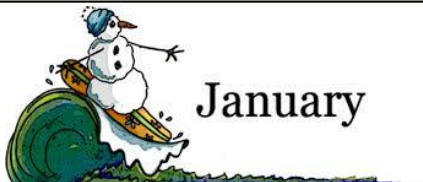


COMING UP

- **Jan. 18:** Elementary Collab Day - early dismissal 12:24pm
- **Jan 19:** Lockdown Drill
- **Jan 19:** PAC mtg 7pm
- **Feb. 9:** Student Conferences – early dismissal @ 12:24pm
- **Feb 10:** Student Conferences – early dismissal @ 12:24pm
- **Feb 15:** Earthquake Drill
- **Feb 17:** Fire drill
- **Feb 21:** Family Day Stat – no school
- **Feb 22:** Non - Instructional Day – no school

BELL SCHEDULE

8:50 a.m. Welcome Bell
8:55 a.m. Instruction
10:25 a.m. Recess
10:40 a.m. Instruction
12:24 p.m. Lunch
1:10 p.m. Instruction
3:00 p.m. Dismissal



2021-2022 SCHOOL GOAL

Our school goal this year is to build positive and caring relationships that strengthen school climate.

FIRST NATIONS TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Westminster Schools recognizes and acknowledges the Qayqayt First Nation, as well as all the Coast Salish peoples, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.



Community School Programs at Lord Tweedsmuir!

Red Fox Society Active Play (Grades 2 - 5)

Red Fox Active Play Programs encourage healthy active living through physical literacy activities, circus arts and cooperative group games. We focus on getting children active, introducing them to new toys and games, and providing a safe space for healthy social development.

Lord Tweedsmuir - Gym

Thursdays, 3:00 - 4:00pm

Date: Jan 20 - Mar 10

No class on Feb 10

Registration Fee: Free

To submit your registration application, please visit: <https://forms.office.com/r/DYriekNxP1>

Forms must be submitted by Monday, January 10th. ***Participants will be selected via a random draw.*** If your child is selected for the program, you will be contacted for confirmation. Only parents whose children have been selected will be contacted.

If you have any challenges with the online form, please contact Community Schools at communityschools@sd40.bc.ca or 604-517-6291

Have questions?

Contact Community Schools

Phone: 604-517-6291 E-mail: communityschools@sd40.bc.ca

Improving Our Physical Literacy



The first term this year has been extremely busy as usual. One of the new and exciting additions to our grades 1 and 2 classrooms has been the School Physical Activity and Physical Literacy (SPAPL) project. The aim of the SPAPL project is to improve teacher and student knowledge around how to increase physical activity in the day to day lives of the students. It also emphasizes the health benefits (both physical and mental) of remaining active throughout our lives.

The project focuses on the “fundamental movement skills” of running, hopping, kicking and throwing by embedding these skills into the daily life of students; in the classroom, in the hallway, on the playground and in the gym. Our leaders, teachers Chad Oatway and Chelsie Goodchild, have visited the school a number of times over the term, and will continue to visit the school throughout the school year, working with classes to give them a wealth of resources (including some fun games!) that they can use to improve everyone’s fundamental movement skills and overall health. Well done everyone...let’s keep moving!

For more information on Physical Literacy, and other student important health information, come to the Parents Night Out virtual meeting on February 3rd (more information to come).

Discover New Westminster Schools Week! January 10th – 14th, 2022



January 10th – 14th, 2022 will be Discover New Westminster Schools Week! Over the course of the week parents, caregivers and students will have the opportunity to log into a series of online sessions that will allow our community to learn about different programs offered through district and schools. Each of the sessions will include time for our staff to provide high-level understanding of the programs, information on how to apply or take advantage of the options available, and then opportunities for those “attending” to have their questions answered (through the chat feature in Teams). We will offer Course Programming sessions for students going into Grades 9-12 in September 2022, a French Immersion Information session, a Montessori Information session, information about Trades and Apprenticeship Programs at NWSS, as well as information about our International Baccalaureate Program for Grades 11 and 12. For dates, times and Teams log in information, please go to our website at:

<https://newwestschools.ca/discover-newwestminster-schools/>



HEALTH

It is important that students learn about precautions to safeguard everyone's health. We ask for support from parents in teaching students these concepts.

- Stay home when sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing
- Wash your hands often with soap and water.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Practice other good health habits. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.



MASKS

Just a reminder to please send your child(ren) with a mask to school. If possible to have more than one in their back pack so if one gets dirty or wet they have another one to use.

Parents might want to consider getting their child a chain to attach to their mask. This will help them not lose their mask or have it fall off and get dirty.



REMINDER

Please remind your child(ren) to walk with their bike or hold on to their scooter/skateboard when they arrive on school grounds.

Thank you



LATE ARRIVALS

If your child is arriving late to school please bring them to the main office. Please do not bring them to their regular point of entry.



WEATHER CHANGES

Please be sure your child is dressed appropriately for the rainy weather. We always try to have the students enjoy outdoor recess and lunch as much as possible and the right outerwear makes a much more pleasant play time.

Sending along a change of clothing (to keep in the classroom) is welcomed by teachers for those inevitable days when clothing gets wet and dry socks and pants are needed.



BACK PARKING LOT

The Staff parking lot at the back of the school is for school staff only. Drivers are asked to respect the posted signs. Please drop off your child on Hamilton Street (daycare pick-up and drop-off included). Thank you for your co-operation.

LOST AND FOUND

- Please mark your child's clothes with their first name and initial so we can trace the owner quickly. This would help immensely in keeping our collection to a minimum.