

Hello Sansome Families:

We've been so fortunate this week, to have artist Kal Barteski with us to work with our students on line drawings. Each student completed their own line drawing of a 7 Teaching Animal. Their drawings will be displayed in the gym and all students will have opportunity to view one another's work in an upcoming Gallery Walk.

Our Gr. 4/5 Choir performed Tues. Evening at the Westwood Family of Schools Concert at Westwood Collegiate. Bravo to our amazing Choir and their Director, Mrs. Moses. We are most proud of this group and their talented performances.

We also had a visit this week from the Divisional Choir. We hope that our students continue to audition for this Divisional Choir opportunity.

The Spring temperatures have made our playground wet and muddy. Please send along some dry socks and perhaps an extra pair of pants. We do ask the kids to stay out of the puddles and mud but they are drawn to it! Teachers have been talking with all their classes about having fun at recess without getting themselves wet and dirty, splashing others, or bringing the mud into the school.

Next week, on Thurs. April 24th Constable Lisa (WPS) will be doing Internet Safety presentations to our gr. 2/3 classes and to our gr. 4/5 classes.

On Friday, April 25th p.m., we will be holding a Community Clean-up, weather dependent. Students will be directed not to pick up anything sharp, broken, or dangerous.

The Universal Nutrition Program funded by the Province continues to provide all students with healthy snacks during the school day. Students have free access to fruit bowls on a daily basis. There are also additional snack items and lunch items available upon request. This program is available to all Sansome Students. Students have also been provided with Bannock on two occasions through this grant and plans are underway for some whole school food initiatives before the end of this year.

May Parent Council Meeting is coming up Mon. May 5, 2025 at 6 p.m.. Krispy Creme Donuts, \$15.00 per dozen. Orders are due April 24th and pick up is May 1st at 3:55 in the school gym.

Wishing everyone a Happy Easter Weekend! Schools are open on Easter Monday.

Henrietta Hoch Chris Mavroudis

Our next Early Dismissal Day is Tuesday, April 22nd, 2025, Students will be dismissed at 3:18 pm to allow for ongoing staff professional development. Early dismissals happen on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Buses run approximately 30 minutes earlier.

*****SPRING has sprung but so have the mud puddles...
please send an extra change of clothes and socks with your child.*****

MUSIC NOTES

DIVISIONAL MUSICAL THEATRE AUDITIONS

Students currently in grades 3-7 are eligible to audition for next year's production of "Shrek".

All information and audition requirements can be found at <https://www.sjasdmusical.ca/> Mrs. Moses will hold practices at afternoon recesses for anyone wanting help preparing their audition.

SMUDGING NEWS

Smudging has been around for thousands of years, and it allows us honour Indigenous history and culture. Smudging is a mindful practice that involves making a purposeful attempt to slow down and become centered while burning medicines like sage, cedar and sweetgrass. The focus is to connect, reset, or to let go of something negative, and to be grounded.

Earlier in the year, North Star, our divisional Coordinator of Indigenous Inclusion Education taught our students about smudging. We are now ready to start smudging at our school. Mrs. Havixbeck will be inviting interested students to our outdoor classroom to revisit and practice smudging. Once everyone has had a chance to practice a couple of times, we will make smudging available during entrance time in the mornings for interested students, staff and families. Smudging will also be available at other times upon request.

A smudging consent form was filled out with registration. We will be referring to these consent forms should a student be interested in viewing or participating. If you would like to make changes to your response on the consent form, please contact the office.

[Click here for Smudging Form](#)

Parent Council News

The parent council is partnering with the Sansome staff to host a back to school BBQ in the fall. We are looking for parent volunteers for our planning sub committee. If interested our volunteer form can be found at <https://www.sansomepc.com/back-to-school-bbq-volunteer>.

Also, Parent Council is running a Krisy Kreme Doughnuts Fundraiser. [Click here for more info](#)

Just a friendly reminder that dismissal is at 3:55 pm and there is no supervision. Please kindly make alternate arrangements with friends or family, if you are unable to pick up your child at this time.

WEST PARKING LOT:

Just a reminder that student drop offs and pick ups are not permitted on the west side of the building due to safety concerns. All students can be dropped off in the east side parking. Please note the west side parking lot will be inaccessible to vehicles other than for staff parking during drop offs (8:45 a.m -9:15a.m.) and pick ups (3:40 p.m- 4:05 p.m.).

Please have a conversation with your child as to where you will meet them at then of the day if they exit through the Grade 4/5 doors.

Thank you for your cooperation with this important safety matter.

Transportation:

Sansome bus in the AM is #17
Sansome bus in the PM is #8

If your child is not going to be on the bus **at the end of the day**, call the office to let us know. If we cannot pick up the phone, please leave us a message.

A friendly reminder from the transportation department that mini hockey sticks and umbrella's that cannot be secured within a backpack are not allowed on the bus.

Absence Reporting: A reminder that during the school year, absences are no longer phoned in or emailed to the school/teacher. Please do not email the teacher if your child is going to be absent. If teachers are away, they are not checking their email.

Please use the School Messenger App or call **1-844-434-8116**

[School Messenger Instructions](#)

Milk Store: White and chocolate milk can be purchased for \$1.50 each. Tickets are available in the office. If you have tickets left from last year, they can still be used.

Please bookmark our school website for all current and future news and the upcoming events calendar: <https://www.sjasd.ca/school/sansome>

If you have any questions about this or any other school information, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.