Hello Sansome Families:

It has been a busy but exciting week at school. Students had fun with Spirit Week for the Holidays! The contributions to the Hampers were overwhelming! Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed.

Parent Council is hosting a Teacher Beard Challenge where students purchase dots (.25) to build a beard on their favourite Teacher. Proceeds from this fun event will go towards purchasing perishable items for Hampers which will be brightening a Westwood Family's holiday season. The class whose teacher wins the Beard Contest will enjoy a Hot Chocolate party. The Beard contest will continue next week. Please check them out when you are here for the Winter Concerts!

Winter Raffle tickets are out and selling quickly. Tickets will also be available at the Winter Concerts: Mon. Dec. 16th (Ks and Gr. 4/5) and Tues. Dec. 17th (Gr. 1-3) along with the Silent Auction. We look forward to celebrating the season with all our families. Students are asked to arrive at 6:00 for the evening performances. Doors will be opened at 6:00.

The fresh snow has been welcomed by the kids this week. They have enjoyed trying out the new sleds which each classroom received just in time!

Parent Council has their 2nd Movie Night also coming up next week on Thurs. Dec. 19th. Popcorn and Boston Pizza will be on the menu. Wonder which movie will win the student vote?

Parent Council's January meeting is scheduled for Mon. Jan. 6th at 6 p.m.

To protect the learning time for our students, Parents/ Guardians who are picking up children are asked to wait in the main foyer outside the Office. Parents/Guardians picking up students early are also asked to sign them out in the binder outside the Office. Thank you in advance!

Winter Break starts on Dec. 21st and runs until Jan. 5th. Classes resume on Mon. Jan. 6th.

Stay warm this weekend, Henrietta Hoch

Chris Mavroudis



MUSIC NEWS

The concert for the K/4/5's is December 16th at 1:30pm and 6:30pm, and they will be presenting the play 'Dreamin' of the Holidays'.

The concert for the 1/2/3's is December 17th at 1:30pm and 6:30pm, and they will be presenting the play 'Flakes'.

The winners for the Early Bird VIP Concert Seating Draw are:

Monday's Concert - Addison M from Room 34

Tuesday's Concert - Xander K from Room 10

This entitles each winner's family to VIP seating up to 6 family members. Please see Parent Council at the front table when you come in.

The last day to order Holiday Movie Tickets is Monday



Our next Early Dismissal Day is Tuesday, December 17th, 2024, 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.

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.