Sansome School Notes from the Office

Hello Sansome Families:

It was wonderful to see so many families out for our Winter Concert performances. We are so very proud of all our students K-5 as well as Mrs. Moses, their Director! A wonderful job was done by all, and we were most happy to share with our families live and in person this year. Special thanks to Mrs. Moses for her musical expertise. Thank you to the staff who worked with the students on their speaking parts, making props and backdrops, and decorating for the season. We appreciate Ms. Paul's artistic talents with the stage backdrops! Thank you to Mr. W. for writing the script for the Gr. 4/5 play "Jingle Bell Jukebox". Thank you all for attending!

Thank you to Parent Council for organizing their annual Winter Raffle. The draw will be made on **December 15**th!

There is an increase in respiratory viruses circulating currently, including influenza, COVID-19, and RSV. To help slow the spread of infection, Public Health recommends the following: stay home when sick; wash hands frequently; practice good cough etiquette; consider mask use; and monitor daily for COVID-19 symptoms (we have rapid test kits available at the school upon request). Staff and students who have a positive COVID-19 test or are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 are asked to isolate for 5 days and to wear a mask for the remaining 5 days. We have renewed our efforts to remind students to wash hands, hand sanitize, and stay home when sick. We are monitoring the situation closely. We appreciate family's efforts in keeping everyone safe during this time.

Outdoor Recess Guidelines: The cold temperatures are here and we'd like to remind families of the guidelines around recess during the cold. If the temperature is between -25 and -28 the students will have shortened recesses (10 min.). Anything colder than -28 is indoors. Patrols do not go on post when it is colder than -28. Teachers are not on duty until 8:45 so it is important students do not arrive earlier on the cold days.

Lifetouch was here and took our class photos again with a new backdrop. They should be headed home to you soon.

The January Parent Council Meeting is set for Monday, January 16th at 6:00 p.m. in the Staffroom. Babysitting can be arranged upon request (204-889-6000).

Next week is Spirit Week at Sansome School. Monday is Flannel and Festive; Tuesday is Santa Claus is Coming to Town (Santa or Elf hats, Reindeer antlers); Wednesday is Long Winter's Nap (P.J.s); Thursday is Candy Cane Day (wear red and white); and Friday is Festive Friday (Holiday sweaters etc.) It should be a fun week to keep the Holiday spirit going strong!

Henrietta Hoch Chris Mavroudis

Rock, Paper, Scissors: Here are this year's class champions from our Rock, Paper, Scissors tournament. The students who are starred are the ones who attended the division wide tournament at Sturgeon Heights. A very big thank you to our generous community. We raised \$276.00 to put towards our holiday hampers. Well done, Cyclones!!!

12AM	Avery M
12PM	Aidah M
Room 7	*Jack F
Room 8	Brody M
Room 9	Garret C
Room 10	*Brooklyn R
Room 23	Addison M
Room 27	Marley L
Room 28	Keegan K
Room 6	Jeremy A
Room 21	Preston T
Room 22	*Elen Z
Room 33	Caylee T
Room 34	*Tess K

Our next Early Dismissal Day is **Tuesday**, **December 20**th. 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.

Parent Council's next Fun Lunch is Friday, December 16th. Please see the attached information. Ordering closes on Sunday, December 11th through Munch a Lunch.

Transportation:

As a reminder:

Sansome bus in the AM is #17

Sansome bus in the PM is #5

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.

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.

Milk Store: White and chocolate milk can be purchased for \$1.00 each. Tickets are available in the office. If you have tickets left from last year, they can still be used. Kernels Popcorn is also sold in the Milk Store for \$2.00 per bag. The flavours available are Butter & Salt, Dill Pickle, Salt & Vinegar, and White Cheddar.

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.