

# Sansome School Notes from the Office

Hello Sansome Families:

Next week on **Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**, Sansome School will be gathering as a school community to recognize **Orange Shirt Day** and a **Day for Truth and Reconciliation**. We will be assembling in the gym at **9:10**. Parents, caregivers, and community members are most welcome to join us. A special invite goes out to our afternoon Kindergarten students, if they can join us for this first Assembly. (We will look to alternate our Assembly times between mornings and afternoons throughout the year.) Students are encouraged to wear orange to school on September 29<sup>th</sup>. There is no school on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> in recognition of the Federal Day of Truth and Reconciliation.

**Parent Council AGM** will be held this **Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>** at **6:00**. This will be an in-person meeting in the Sansome Staffroom. Childcare will be provided for this meeting. We hope you can come out and elect a Parent Council Executive for 2022-2023 as well as meet our new Vice Principal! (A quorum of 5% of our student population is required for this AGM which comes to 15 parents.) Hope you can join us!

We are sad to announce that our Play Structure has not passed a recent safety inspection. Mr. C. has been directed to close off areas of concern with yellow caution tape. We will be discussing the Play Structure at the AGM. The Division Workplace, Safety, Health Officer is currently preparing a report on the structure which we hope to receive in time for the meeting.

Bus Drivers have asked all Sansome families to avoid stopping or parking in the **bus loop** on the west side of the school. This will allow them to be prompt for their drop off and departure times. It will also help avoid traffic congestion at those busy times in the parking lot. The Transportation Dept. thanks families for their patience with buses running a bit late as drivers become familiar with their new routes and community stops.

As Covid cases continue and flu season approaches, we ask families to keep children home when they are feeling unwell. If an individual does test positive for Covid, they are recommended to stay home and recover for **5** days. They may return if symptoms have improved, and no fever is present. It is recommended the individual wear a mask for 5 days upon their return. We have plenty of masks and test kits available at the office for families who wish them. We will continue to encourage frequent hand washing, hand sanitizing, and cough etiquette. The new Covid vaccine is now available for adults 18+ at all the usual locations if parents or grandparents were awaiting it.

Lifetouch will return for **picture re-takes and class group photos** on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Sansome School's **Report to the Community** will be sent out to families in October. This report will outline last year's goals and accomplishments and highlight upcoming areas of focus for the 2022-2023 school year.

Henrietta Hoch

Chris Mavroudis

Congratulations go out to our Grade 4 & 5 Cross Country team on a great race yesterday! They all ran 800 meters and did such a fantastic job for their first race!! The next practice will take place on Monday at lunch.

The second race will be on Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at Robert Browning at 4:05pm.  
**All students must be picked up from Robert Browning by 4:30pm.**

**The \$50.00 classroom supply fee is due.** If you have not done so already, please pay your child's fee ASAP. Our amount owing to the company is \$10,500 and we need to pay this by the end of next week.

**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.

Our next Early Dismissal Day is **Tuesday, October 4th**. 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.

The **Milk Store** is open again this year. 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 will again be 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.