Hello Sansome Families:

You may have noticed our flag flying at half-mast. This is to recognize the passing of Grand Chief Cathy Merrick. Flags will fly at half-mast until Monday morning.

The first full week of school went smoothly until the tragic accident on Portage Ave. and then the power outage. Should there be further power outages and families need to communicate with the school, please email: sansome@sjasd.ca, or henrietta.hoch@sjasd.ca, or chris.mavroudis@sjasd.ca. We will be checking e-mail through cell phones throughout such outages.

The kids are all settling back into their classroom routines and procedures nicely. We are opening with a total enrolment of 325 students K-5 this year and over 50 staff members to support the learning!

Please mark your calendars for the Sansome Parent Council AGM meeting coming up on Monday, Sept. 23rd at 6 p.m. in the Staffroom. A quorum of 16 parents is needed to elect this year's Executive. Please come out to support this hard-working group and get an update on the Outdoor Space planning. Thank you to Parent Council and the parent volunteers who made our first Pizza Day a success! The kiddos so look forward to this special lunch day.

The Milkman will be delivery milk on Tuesday so our Milk Program sponsored by Parent Council will resume on Tues. Chocolate or white milk will be available for \$1.50 per carton.

Mr. Mavroudis continues to look for Lunch Supervisors. This is a paid position- approx. \$17.00 per hour. Any interested parents, grandparents, community members can contact Mr. M (204-889-6000) for more information.

High School Hockey Exhibition Games continue at KW Arena until early Oct. Thank you for keeping this mind with picking up students from the east parking lot!

Reminder that Tues. Sept. 17th is an Early Dismissal Day. Students will be dismissed at 3:18. The wasps have been bad as of late. The kiddos are having snacks indoors so as not to attract them more.

Wishing everyone a safe family weekend!

Henrietta Hoch Chris Mavroudis

Our next Early Dismissal Day is Tuesday, September 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.

CHOIR - Gr. 4/5

Any students in grades 4 & 5 are welcome to be in the choir! Choir is a singing club that runs every Thursday at lunch recess in the music room. Students who are interested and love to sing are encouraged to come and try it out for the first 2 practices, and after that decide if they want to make the commitment to join the choir. Once students join the choir, they are expected to be at all the Thursday lunch recess practices.

Our performance opportunities this year include, but are not limited to, our school's Remembrance Day Assembly and the Winnipeg Music Festival. There is also the possibility of singing the anthem again at a Manitoba Moose game, as well as singing at the Legislative Building for the Open House in December. These 2 other performances, that are still to be confirmed, would be outside of school time and would require parent transportation to/from. For all performances, students wear a red Sansome shirt (provided by the school and returned once choir ends in the Spring), and black pants/skirt. If you have any questions about choir, please email Mrs.

Moses: shannon.moses@sjasd.ca

RECORDER - Gr. 4/5

The grade 4/5 students will be starting recorder in January. Students who do not already have a good quality soprano recorder (no dollar store recorders please!) will need to purchase a recorder for \$7 through School Cash. If you already have a recorder from last year, or from an older sibling that you can use, please send it to school with your child labelled with your child's name. Any questions, please email Mrs. Moses: shannon.moses@sjasd.ca

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 that beginning Friday, May 17th, 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. 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.