

# Sansome School Notes from the Office

Hello Sansome Families:

Next week, **September 27th – October 1st** will be **Truth and Reconciliation Week**. Thursday, October 30th is Federal Truth and Reconciliation Day and schools will be closed. Sansome School will be holding “Orange Shirt Day” on Wednesday, September 29th. A moment of silence will be held at 2:15 to remember those who attended residential schools and to remember those who did not come home. Mrs. Moses and students in class cohorts will be drumming outside on September 29th. To honour Truth and Reconciliation Day, Mrs. Moses and classes will be doing an Indigenous stick game song, written by Cree/Dene educator Sherryl Sewepagaham from Little Red River Cree Nation in Northern Alberta.

Students will be discussing the meaning of Orange Shirt Day, Residential Schools, and Truth and Reconciliation over the course of the week. We will also be participating in a virtual “Orange Shirt Day” Assembly. Teachers will be able to access the link to this assembly between September 27th and October 1st.

Sansome School’s **Parent Council AGM** has been moved to **Monday, October 4th at 6:00 p.m.** Please send an e-mail to [henrietta.hoch@sjasd.ca](mailto:henrietta.hoch@sjasd.ca) or [robert.bell@sjasd.ca](mailto:robert.bell@sjasd.ca) for your invite to this virtual meeting on Teams. The purpose of this AGM is to move forward with a Parent Council for 2021 – 2022 and to elect a new Executive Committee (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer).

Our next Early Dismissal Day is **Tuesday, October 5th**. 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.

Sansome Staff and Students continue to follow the “**Yellow**” **Covid guidelines**. Guidelines were sent to our families in late August. If you did not receive a copy or would like to request another copy, please contact us. Updated Covid information from our Division and / or Public Health will be shared upon receipt. We also ask that all visitors to Sansome School grounds wear a mask while on school property. This includes drop off and pick up times. We appreciate the students’ attention to these current protocols as well as your support from home in keeping everyone at Sansome safe and learning.

Just a reminder of our **entry and dismissal procedures**. Teachers will continue to meet their classes outdoors at their designated entry time and bring the students in one class at a time to avoid congestion. Teachers will bring the class outdoors at their designated dismissal time to meet their parents or to walk home.

**The \$45.00 classroom supply fee is due.** School Cash is ready to accept your payments. This is our preferred method of payment and greatly reduces the amount of cash, cheques and NSF cheques the office has to deal with. If you are having issues, please contact [parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com](mailto:parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com) or call 1-866-961-1803

If your child(ren) will not be on the bus at the end of the day, **please phone the office to let us know.** If we cannot get to the phone, please leave us a message. All messages are checked before the bus list goes out to the bus monitors.

Purchase bus seats will not be offered for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Milk Store:** Milk is available for purchase at lunch from our milk store. Families who would like to have their child have milk at lunch can purchase tickets from the school office. Tickets are \$1 each or a sheet of 10 for \$10. Tickets left over from last year can still be used.

**Bus Loop:** The bus loop is for bus student drop off and pickup only. We have several buses throughout the day and we need to keep it clear of vehicles between 8:30 am and 4:15 pm.

A reminder that during the school year absences are no longer phoned in or emailed to the school/teacher. Please use the Safe Arrival app or call 1-844-434-8116.

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.

Terry Fox info from Kerry  
Step Challenge letter