

Coal Tyee News Flash



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WEEK ONE WITH KIDS – DONE!

Well, that was quite a week! Massive amounts of snow, then rain, ground fog, a random bell that decided to ring for no apparent reason (that was today!) and best of all – kids back in the building! This transition back into routines after the longer break has had some challenges for all of us, but we are getting used to being back. Students are spread out more in classrooms, we are practicing staying “on the right to be polite” when we move in the hallway, and we have designated routes for getting to the library, gym, and music rooms. It is amazing how adaptable our students are with changes. While none of us are excited about the new guidelines, we have all learned to roll with the expectations as set out from PHO. Keep up the great work everyone! We’ve got this!

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

On Wednesday a letter was sent home highlighting the need for accurate accounting for student absence. Here are the instructions once again on how to inform the school should your child be absent for any reason.

- ❖ Email info.ct@sd68.bc.ca (goes to the Secretaries and Principal) This email line is "open" 24 hours a day, so an email can be sent at any time.
- ❖ Call (250) 729-0450. Our school voice mail is also "open" 24 hours a day to receive messages.

Regardless of the method, please ensure you include the following information:

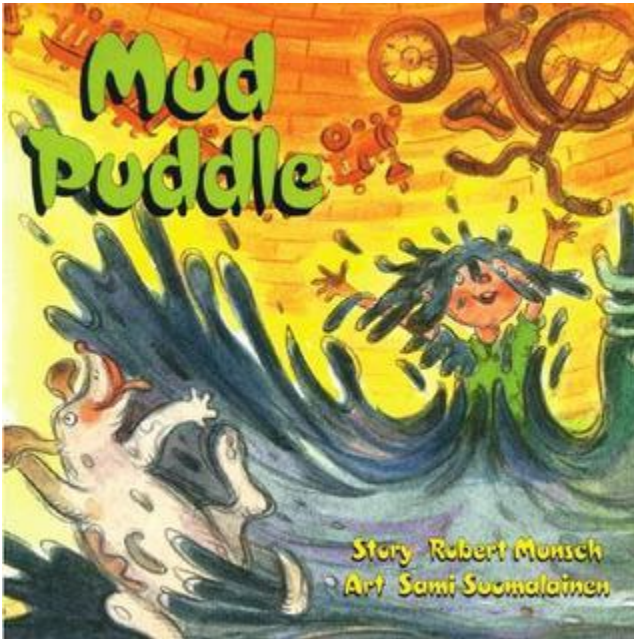
- Your child's first AND last name
- Your child's teacher (last name is sufficient)
- Reason for absence
- **if reason for absence is illness related** please indicate duration of absence if known

We cannot emphasize enough the importance of letting us know the reason for all absences. The “Potential Activity Signal” requiring further action from public health depends on the school having accurate information.

Email is really the best option for reporting absences. I apologize for the error in the first send of this information – the correct email is above!



Mr. Paugh is putting the finishing touches on our next intramural sports league – basketball! Students in grades 5-7 have been invited to represent their house team in this friendly league, with games happening at long recess. Mr. Paugh, along with EA Ms. Krystle will also be sponsoring and coaching the Bantam Boy’s basketball team. Their season will be getting underway soon.



A mud puddle jumped on me!

This Robert Munsch book is a classic! What is also classic is the number of students who get muddy and wet while playing outside.

Until further notice, we will be going **OUTSIDE FOR ALL RECESS BREAKS** unless it is unsafe to do so! No more inside days! We need the break from wearing masks!

Send boots, shoes, socks, pants, sweaters, t-shirts and maybe even underwear as it is uncomfortable being wet when back inside!

CALENDAR UPDATES

- January 25 – Soccer with Pacific Sports Grades 3-5 begins
- January 27 – Circus Arts grades 5-7 begins Pacific Sport
- January 28 – July in January
- February 7 & 8 – Professional Days, Students not in session
- February 11 – First Written Report Card to be emailed out
- February 21 – Family Day
- February 23 – Pink Shirt Day
- March 11 – Last day before Spring Break!

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BACK TO REGULAR PICK UP/DROP OFF

The snow has melted! Beginning Monday January 17, we will be returning pick up and drop off happening either in the far parking lot or on Sun Valley Drive, as has been our regular practice. Please remind your children to exit your vehicles from the sidewalk side of the car for added safety!

**PACIFIC
SPORT**
VANCOUVER ISLAND

We have three different sports/activity options for students, courtesy of Pacific Sports.

- Soccer for grades 3-5 Tuesdays afterschool, starting Jan 25
- Circus Arts for grades 5-7 Thursdays afterschool, starting Jan 27
- Gym Games for grades 5-7 Tuesday **mornings**, starting Jan 25

Registration is limited. Please connect with Dr. Charles or Ms. Lundine!