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## Promontory Motto - Strong Learners, Kind Hearts

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE ~

As you can see in our school motto above, our desire is to develop strong learners with kind hearts. This month we celebrate Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day on February 26<sup>th</sup>. However, the reality is that we work hard to encourage and celebrate kindness every day. In a group as large as ours, conflict happens, and we teach our students what to do in those situations. Most conflict is not "bullying", but rather a reaction. But when nasty behavior is targeted and intended to cause hurt to others, it crosses the line into bullying. We work with our students to develop strong Personal and Social Responsibility skills so they can navigate conflict (ie. walk away, ignore it, talk it out, seek adult help) and know what to do if they feel bullied (ie. being assertive in telling the bully to stop, informing an adult). We will continue to do our part to support you as a parent as you develop strong learners with kind hearts.

### EARLY DISMISSAL



Our students will be dismissed at **11:30 on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>** for teachers to connect with parents, as needed. **Busses WILL be running and will pick up at 11:30am for Promontory bus students.**

Please make arrangements to pick up your child/ren at 11:30am if they are not bus students.

### STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY

Each year the Ministry of Education provides an opportunity for parents to offer their feedback on student learning. If you wish to participate, please log into this link and scroll down to the Parent section, where you can select Chilliwack School District 33 and Promontory Elementary before answering the questions. Thank you.

<https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>

### JUMP ROPE FOR HEART



Fundraising continues until February 13<sup>th</sup> for this worthy cause. All envelopes should be returned by that time, and online fundraising will also close that day. You can go on-line at:

[https://securesupport.heartandstroke.ca/site/SPageServer/?pagename=jump\\_home](https://securesupport.heartandstroke.ca/site/SPageServer/?pagename=jump_home).

As of today our school has blown past our target of \$3000 and we are currently the #3 fundraising school in all of BC and Yukon! Way to go, Panthers! The prizes will be ordered soon and will likely arrive here right after Spring Break.

Skipathon results:

Top skippers in Grades 4&5 = Jayven Singh (8:38) and Aidan Alfred (7:38)

Top skipper in Grades 1-3 = Ellie Miller (4:00)

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for Kindergarten 2020 is now open. If your child will be 5 years old on or before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 then it is time to register. Registration is all completed online at <https://sd33.vivosforms.com/Home>.

You will need Proof of Address and a Birth Certificate. Please encourage any of your neighbors to register, too.

### COUNSELOR'S DROP-IN CONSULTATION SERVICES

Mrs. Lewis is our school counsellor this year and she will be offering a free drop-in time to consult and connect with parents regarding any concerns you may have or any community resources you are looking to try to connect with.

**Drop in times are Tuesdays & Wednesdays 8:30-9:00AM.**

### INCLEMENT WEATHER

When the snow starts to fall and the roads get challenging to navigate, the District may need to close the schools for safety reasons. If you are ever unsure whether schools are open and busses running, you can check the Promontory web site at <https://promontory.sd33.bc.ca/> and the School District web site at: <https://sd33.bc.ca/inclement-weather-school-closure-guidelines>

### Dates to Remember

Feb. 13	- Hot Lunch
Feb. 14	- <b>Early Dismissal @ 11:30am</b>
	- Red & Pink Day
Feb. 17	- Family Day, No School
Feb. 21	- District Pro-D Day, No School
Feb. 26	- Pink Shirt "Anti-Bullying" Day
Feb. 28	- Super Reader Assembly

	(12:50 Grades K-2/1:30 Grades 3-5)
Feb. 28	- Hot Lunch
Mar. 5	- Gr. 5 Parent Meeting @ MSMS, 6-7:30pm
Mar. 9	- Report Cards sent home this week
Mar. 11	- Decades Day
Mar. 13	- Hot Lunch
<b>Mar. 16-27</b>	<b>- Spring Break</b>
Mar. 30 -	-First day of School after Spring Break
Apr. 9	- Hot Lunch
Apr. 10	- Good Friday, No School
Apr. 13	- Easter Monday, No School
Apr. 15	- Class Photo Day
Apr. 15	- Fancy Clothes Day

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

### **SUPER READER ASSEMBLY:**



The first Kiwanis Super Reader Assembly is scheduled for Friday, Feb 28<sup>th</sup> in the main gym. The primary students will go first at 12:50pm, followed by intermediates at 1:30pm.

All students who handed in their 100 nights of reading forms to their teachers prior to Winter break will be receive an award on this date. Please note that if you have lost or misplaced your green super reader logbook, you can send a note or an email to your child's teacher. We will have another 100-night Super Reader celebration in the spring to give away more prizes when more students reach the 100-night achievement level. At the 100-night level, students must wait for a formal ceremony to receive their prize from Kiwanis Club.

### **FIRST DAY FOR 150 NIGHTS OF READING**

If your child has already received the 100 nights of reading prize in January, please don't stop reading now, as students who reach 150 reading days get a small toy / eraser. The earliest date to claim your 150 Nights of Reading Prize is February 1, 2020.

### **SUPER READER PRIZES:**

#### **50 Nights**

- Bookmark or Sticker

#### **100 Nights– Kiwanis prize & McDonald's coupon**

- K – t shirt & goodie bag
- 1 – picture book & goodie bag
- 2 – chapter book & goodie bag
- 3 – clipboard & McD coupon
- 4 – clipboard & McD coupon
- 5 – stylus pen & McD coupon

#### **150 Nights**

- Toy

#### **200 Nights**

- Book. Both picture books and chapter books are available.

#### **250 Nights**

- \$6 Cole's gift certificate

### **SUPER READER BONUS CONTEST**

We are having a bonus Super Reader prize draw! Prizes include a copy of the 2020 Guinness World Record Book, stationery kits, and much more from our last Scholastic Book fair! This contest is only open for students who have reached the 100 Nights of reading level. Students have until February 21<sup>st</sup> to complete a 100 Nights form and enter the contest. We want to see as many students as possible meet the milestone of 100 nights. Additionally, Students who have reached 150 nights will get an extra entry into the contest. On Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, I will draw 10 students who will get to come down to the library to pick out their prizes. Good luck, Panthers!

## **MAKERSPACE NEWS**

### **MAKERSPACE INSTAGRAM**

Want to see what our students are making in the makerspace? You can now check out our Makerspace online. We have an Instagram account. Follow us at promontorymakerspace..

### **CARDBOARD DONATIONS**

In February and March, some of our classes will be making Leprechaun traps. Until Spring Break, we will be accepting cardboard donations. We are looking for thin cereal or cracker boxes that are easy to cut. Students are being asked to bring their own materials from home, but we want to collect some extra materials. Bring any cardboard directly to the library before or after school.

### **SUPPLIES NEEDED:**

- 1.) Pipe Cleaners
- 2.) Elastics
- 3.) Toothpicks
- 4.) Beads
- 5.) Hot Wheels Cars/Tracks
- 6.) Nails/Screws
- 7.) Hammers
- 8.) Screw drivers and other hand tools.
- 9.) Marbles



### PAC NEWS

Our next PAC Meeting is Monday, February 10th at 7:00pm in the Library. All Promontory parents and guardians are always welcome. See you there!

### Hot Lunch

Parents can place their hot lunch orders **online only** using [MunchaLunch.com](https://munchalunch.com)! Orders can be paid for online with Visa or Mastercard, pre-paid credit card or visa debit. Cash or cheque may be dropped off at the school office.

Please note: If your child is ill on a lunch date, you are welcome to come and pick up their lunch at 12 pm from your child's classroom; otherwise, please consider it a donation for a child who does not have a lunch. Consistent with previous years, there are NO REFUNDS as this is a PAC fundraiser!

We appreciate your support for our hot lunch program as the funds go towards needs of the school and general fundraising within the school.



We are always in need of Volunteers! There is a volunteer page in the online system where you

can checkmark which dates you are available. The lunch coordinator will then contact you with a proposed schedule. We would really love the extra support and help!!! If you have any questions, please email [promontoryhotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:promontoryhotlunch@gmail.com).

Kristie

### **Promontory Heights Elementary Community School Association**

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### Winter 2020 Programs

Our winter programs are up and running. Thank you for registering! If you missed this session, we will have more in the spring. See you then!

### What's new in February?

- BCSPCA - What Pets Need to be Happy & Healthy  
Monday, February 10 - Monday, March 2  
3:30pm - 4:30pm  
Age(s): Grades 3-5  
Cost: \$15.00
- Canadian Red Cross Babysitting  
Saturday, February 29th  
9:00am - 5:00pm  
Age(s): 11+ yrs  
Cost: \$45.00

### Weekly Drop-ins:

- Busy Bees Crafts and Coffee. Free for parents and their tots. Thursday, 9-10:30am
- Tween Night Friday Fun! February 7 & 28. Only \$3
- Prime Timers Social. Free coffee on Friday, 9:30-11am.
- Pickleball every Tuesday and Thursday, 6-8pm. Only \$2
- Chilliwack Zumba! Saturday, 10-11am. Who says exercise can't be fun?

Ongoing programs. Space may be available. Please contact our office to inquire.

- Karate with Chilliwack Isshin-Ryu Karate Club
- Little Kickers Soccer
- Private guitar and ukulele lessons
- Private piano and voice lessons

### Stay tuned for upcoming special events

Spring break camps with Panther Pen

Easter EGGstravaganza

### Facilities Rentals

Our school facilities are used throughout the year for birthday parties, meeting, clubs, soccer practices, and many other social, recreational and educational community gatherings. Contact us about your special event!

### Community School News

**We are hiring! PHECSA has two part-time/casual positions open. Contact our office for more info!**

**Childcare worker for before and after school care with Panther Pen. 2-3 afternoons/week.**

**Afterschool program assistant for art and sport programs at Promontory and Vedder Elementary. 1-2 afternoons/week.**