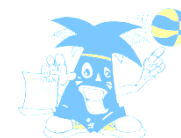


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Website: www.rms.sd23.bc.ca

April 2017

PRINCIPAL's MESSAGE

Hello parents and guardians,

I am hopeful that everyone had relaxing and enjoyable Spring Breaks. As we launch headfirst into April, we will start to move into planning for next year. Please check our website from time to time for any updates, your email for school information, and please listen for our synervoices for upcoming important dates. Rob Aviani and I will be holding a parent/guardian information night at RMS in the gymnasium on April 24th; from 6:30-7:30 will be aimed at current Grade 5 parents/guardians and students, preferably those new to the school, and from 7:30-8:30 will be for current Grade 6 and 7 parents/guardians and students. We look forward to seeing our community that night. Please check out the flyer on our website for further information:

<http://www.rms.sd23.bc.ca/Publications/RMS%20parent%20night%20invitation%202017%20full%20page.pdf>

As we prepare to move toward our year-end Presentations of Learning, please keep an eye out for information regarding these amazing days in June. We will be inviting parents/guardians into the school to be part of your child's learning journey this year; it's amazing to see each and every student shine and deeply reflect on their learning this year, and we are looking forward to having our RMS community involved. Your child's Mentorship teacher will be contacting home over the next month or so, and will be setting up presentation times. If you are not able to make either of the two days (which can happen due to work, etc.), then another adult that is important to your child - an aunt, uncle, grandparent, close family friend, neighbour, sports coach – would be great too. Hopefully, with enough notice, we can get as many parents/guardians in the school as possible.

And moving into the Spring season, I wanted to send out a quick thank you to our wonderful PAC and all of the work that they do for our school and for our students each day. It takes a lot of time and dedication to organize fundraisers and hot lunches, and without the support of our community and our PAC members, our school would really struggle to continue to offer these services to our students and families. If anyone is interested in joining PAC or volunteering, please contact the school. We can always use more help!

As with anything, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school by phone or by email. Have a wonderful April!

Yearbook News:

Wanted: Grade 8 students' baby pictures.
Please email your child's baby picture to
agnes.gagliano@sd23.bc.ca
yearbooks are now on sale for \$35.

Pre-order your copy today.

Important Dates for April

April 3 - First day back to school after Spring Break
April 7 – Drop in badminton for parents & students 3:15-4:30 pm
April 12 -Term 3 Enrichment begins
April 14/17 - Good Friday and Easter Monday
April 21 - Drop in badminton for parents & students 3:15-4:30 pm
April 24 – Parent Info Sessions for 2017/18 6:30-8:30 pm
April 28 - Drop in badminton for parents & students 3:15-4:30 pm

Recycling Program

Ms. Hansen's classes have taken over the recycling of containers with deposits. They have raised just over \$400.00. The students also made presentations to mentorship classes on how to be better at recycling. They entered into a contest and are in fourth place for bottles/cans returned. Now you can help at home! Take your bottles/cans and return them to the 680 Dease Road recycling depot in Rutland. Before you approach the cash register, let them know you want to donate the amount to RMS. Please make sure to get a receipt and drop it off at the office so that it can go towards the contest! Students at the school will have a voice on how to spend the money to make the most positive impact at the school. Stay tuned for a bottle drive at the school when the weather is warmer!

MOVING OUT-OF-TOWN OR TO A DIFFERENT SCHOOL?

Please let us know if you are moving out of town or relocating in Kelowna or if you know of a family who is. The earlier we know the more accurate our numbers are for September. Please email rmsoffice@sd23.ads or call 250 870 5109. We appreciate your help.