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## Newsletter #6 February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

### Mrs. Scott's Scoop:

January, February and March are very busy months for our students and teachers. ☺ With our attendance initiative and more families understanding the importance of getting to school every day and being on time, we are clearly seeing a difference in how well our students are learning. Thank you for making attendance an important part of your everyday routines. ☺

### Kindergarten Registration:

Yes, it's that time of the year. We are now accepting Kindergarten registrations for the 2019-2020 school year. Our secretary, Mrs. McCarthy, is keeping an eye on our on-line registrations. Spots are filling up quickly! ☺ Don't forget, you have to register on-line now ☺. [www.sd33.bc.ca/registration](http://www.sd33.bc.ca/registration)



### Ready, Set, Learn:

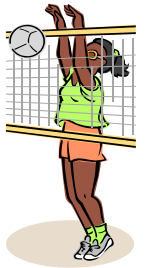
Our "Ready, Set, Learn Open House" will be taking place Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 - 12:30. This event is for all 3 and 4-year-old preschoolers (and their parents ☺). We review Early Learning and discuss some activities that parents can practice at home with their children to help prepare them for Kindergarten. If you are able to attend this event, we ask that you let Mrs. McCarthy know at the office so that we know how many families to prepare for. We will also be holding a Kindergarten Orientation closer to the end of the school year. ☺

### PAC Meeting:

Our next PAC meeting is on Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. Don't forget...all Bernard parents are part of the PAC! We would love to have you come out and listen to, take part in, or simply come and meet folks at our next PAC meeting. Babysitting is provided. Thank you! ☺

### **Volleyball Teams:**

We had a lot of excitement recently with our boys' and girls' volleyball teams! They both had year-end tournaments happening on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you, again, to these talented athletes for playing on our school teams, and for showing wonderful sportsmanship throughout this season. Thank you also to Ms. Hooper (boys' coaches ☺), and Ms. Ruiter (girls' coaches ☺), for taking the time to volunteer for our kids.



### **Extreme Weather Conditions**

Just a reminder that should we experience extreme winter weather, please check out our school district's website ( <http://sd33.bc.ca> ) or our school's website ( <http://bernard.sd33.bc.ca> ) for up-to-the-minute information. You can also check out our Bernard Parent Advisory Council Facebook Page, or tune in to STAR FM 98.3 for information on school closures. All school closures will be announced on the radio after 6:30 a.m. and will be on our website and Facebook page as soon as I am notified. Please do not call the school or the board office as the website information, Facebook information, and radio reports come directly from the Superintendent of schools.

Also, please make sure that your child is dressed for the weather! We have been experiencing many cold days recently. Students should have their heads covered and their hands covered for sure. Warm boots are also a must. Our back field can be very muddy and slippery ☹! Thanks, parents.

### **Pink Shirt Day:**

"Pink Shirt Day" this year is on Wednesday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. As always, we are asking students to try to wear pink (or red if there is no pink at home) on this day. This is an anti-bullying campaign that every school in Chilliwack supports through various activities around the district. Thank you to all Bernard families for supporting "Pink Shirt Day"! We will be holding a special assembly this day as well (8:45). We do have some student shirts for sale at the office (\$5.00). If you'd like a shirt, please pop by the office.

### **School Parking Lots:**

We have been experiencing a few difficulties again with parents who are getting out of their cars while they are in the drop-off/pick-up zone. If a parked car needs to get out, we need you in your vehicle so you can move for them. Also, a reminder that parents cannot park in the fire lane of the YMCA parking lot. Thank you for your support in helping our students stay safe in our parking lots.

**Dates to Remember:**

- Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> - Strong Start is closed
- Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> - PAC meeting 6:30
- Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> - "Jump Rope for Heart" skipping activity
- Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - Hot Lunch
- Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> - Family Day - no school
- Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> - Ready, Set, Learn - 11:00 - 12:30
- Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> - Movie Night & Popcorn Day ☺
- Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> - Grade 3's and 3/4 's go skating - 10:00 - 11:00
- Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> - District Professional Day - no school
- Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> - Grade 5 Parent Info Meeting at AD Rundle - 6:30
- Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> - **Pink Shirt Day** - Anti-bullying (all students to wear a pink or red shirt to school)  
Special "Anti-bullying" assembly - parents are welcome - 8:45
- Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> - Strong Start is closed
- Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> - PAC meeting at 6:30
- Mar. 13<sup>th</sup> - Report cards go home
- Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> - Back to school (Monday)

