

# Cindrich Elementary

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## February 2020

### Principal's Message

Thank you to all of you for such a warm welcome to the Cindrich community. Your children are so polite, kind, and caring! There has been so much learning happening in your child's classroom over the last month. I have observed counting with beads and manipulatives, cardboard challenges, boat building, partner and individual reading comprehension games, and art projects galore! I encourage you to ask your child about what they are learning in their classrooms. Some strategies to encourage your child to talk about their day is to frame your questions in different ways: what was your favourite subject today? What was the funniest part of the school day? What was the first/last activity you did at school today? These questions will hopefully help you to avoid the infamous answer of "nothing." February will be a busy month! Some themes that we will be focusing on this month are kindness and Black history. Students will be learning about ways to pay their kindness forward as well as learning about peoples of African American descent that have had a positive influence on our global community.

## **Important Dates**

Feb 14<sup>th</sup>: Valentine's Day

Feb 17<sup>th</sup>: Family Day (No School)

Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Warrior Sticks Assembly @11am

Feb 21<sup>st</sup>: Pro-D Day (No School)

Feb 25<sup>th</sup>:

Feb 26<sup>th</sup>: Pink Shirt Day Assembly @gam

Feb 26<sup>th</sup>: PAC Meeting @ 2:30

#### OTHERS NEWS

### **Parking Lot**

Thank you to all of the parents and guardians who use the parking lot and drop-off/pick-up lanes properly. A friendly reminder about the proper use of the drop-off/pick-up lane:

- -When dropping your child off, please pull forward, towards the end of the cones, to ensure that others have enough room to drop off behind you. Students are able to then walk towards the staircase of their choice to find their classroom doors.
- If you are walking your child to their classroom and are unable to find parking in a stall, **you must park on the street.** This will help to alleviate other cars getting stuck behind vehicles without a driver.

## **Outside Days**

It is important that students are prepared to go outside, regardless of the weather. Having the appropriate outerwear will help this situation. Please ensure your child is sent with the proper footwear and a coat each day. It is important for children's brain development to get outside and have fresh air during their time at school.

## **Healthy Schools Initiative**

As our school is apart of the BC's Fraser Health, Healthy Schools Initiative, a reminder to please try your best to send your children to school with healthy snacks and lunches. If you are bringing your child fast food at lunch, please consider the many healthy options that are available to you. We would like to try and keep Cindrich a place where healthy foods are a priority!

## Field Trips

Thank you to all of the parents who have been volunteer drivers for the many field trips that have taken place over the last month. A reminder that is important to drive directly to and from the destination indicated on the field trip forms. This is important as our classroom teachers are responsible for knowing the whereabouts of their students at all times.

## Bravo, Kavya!

Kavya, in Ms. Shahi's class, had the opportunity to present her idea to bring plants into City Hall's Atrium to the ESAC committee at City Hall. This was in result from her participation the SPARK foundations Climate Change Challenge. This program empowers the next generation to thinking outside the box and develop leadership skills. Thanks to Kavya, the ESAC committee has approved her idea and will work towards implementation!