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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear ¿uuqinak'uuh (Grandview) Elementary School Community,

Spring Break is here, which means we are officially in the home stretch of a most unusual school year. While we look forward to brighter days ahead, by working together as a community, we have much to reflect on, be thankful for and to celebrate.

In February, we focus on the concepts of diversity, inclusion and equity. During this month, our classes have learnt about the importance of Black History Month. Our teachers have worked with our classes to raise awareness, as well as acknowledge and honour the contributions and achievements of Black Canadians. In February, we also celebrate kindness, inclusion and acceptance by wearing pink on Pink Shirt Day.

To ensure that our school goal of Positive Behaviour Support is responsive to the needs of the community we serve and reflective of those community values, the PAC hosted a presentation and Community Feedback session on SOAR. We are thankful for their ongoing support and input as we work together proactively and positively to support our kids. If you would like to share any feedback regarding the SOAR initiative, please feel free to contact me via email or in person.

This month Div. 5 led our Monthly Raven's Call Assembly. The class focussed on the theme of Awesome Attitude and put together a fantastic video. Awesome Attitude speaks to the spirit we put into our learning. To be courageous learners, we must be willing to take risks with our learning and persevere. We will all make mistakes along the way, but there is no end to the learning we can do if we keep chipping away at it. At ¿uuqinak'uuh, we acknowledge that to be courageous learners who persevere, we must understand the importance of our own story. By understanding our strengths and what makes us each unique and important members of this community, we can more confidently take those essential risks in our learning and our growth. Thank you to all of our students who show us that courage every day.

Have a wonderful holiday, and we look forward to welcoming you all back on March 29th.

Risha

Risha Golby (she,her,hers)

"Every Child, Every Day, Every Chance"

Acknowledges that we live, work and play on the unceded and traditional territories skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), sel̓il̓wítulh (Tsleil-Waututh), and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) Nations.

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Supportive: (Community)

- We are kind
- We are encouraging
- We welcome and include others



Open Hearted: (Self)

- We are open to new ideas
- We are peaceful problem solvers
- We can ask for help when we need it

Awesome Attitude: (Spirit)

- We persevere
- We are courageous learners
- We understand the importance of own story

Respect: (Well Being) We care about the well being of:

- ourselves
- others
- this land

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE:

March 2021

Friday, Mar 12 - Last day of instruction before Spring Break

Monday, Mar 15 - Friday, Mar 26 - Spring Break

Monday, Mar 29 - School re-opens after Spring Break

April 2021

Friday, Apr 2 - NO SCHOOL - Good Friday

Monday, Apr 5 - NO SCHOOL - Easter Monday

Monday, Apr 26 - NO SCHOOL—Pro D Day

SAFE ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

Reporting Student Absences:

Student safety is of paramount importance at the Vancouver School District. Ensuring student safety is a shared responsibility. **Please report prior to 9 am if your child will be late or absent to the following telephone & extension or by email only.**

Please call 604-713-5159 school code 33 # or Email to: graattendance@vsb.bc.ca

Please leave a message with the following information: Child's Full Name, Child's Division and/or Teacher's Name, indicate whether he/she will be absent or late, reason for absence and length of absence.

Please note: Students arriving at 10:45 and later are marked absent for the morning.

Thank you for helping us keep your children safe!

DIVISION 5 is rock hunting for items to be used for their set and as props for the traditional play they are creating called "Three Sisters". They are hoping to present it during an assembly for the Indigenous Day in June.

