

## ÉCOLE ROBB ROAD ÉLÉMENTAIRE / Comox Valley School (SD71)

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## The RR Weekly – September 16th-20th

Dear Robb Road Families,

Many tired students and staff Friday at the end of the first full week of school! Last Thursday, we welcomed all 61 Kindergarten students for their first full day of school. It was certainly a fun week of settling into new routines in new classrooms. We look forward to another exciting week ahead. Here are a few items for your consideration this week:

- 1. Terry Fox Run On Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, students will participate in the annual Terry Fox Run. K-2 students will run around the back field while gr. 3-7 students will run a route through the neighbourhood. Runners will depart school just after 1:40 pm. Parent volunteers are needed to ensure safety along the neighbourhood route (grades 3-7). Please e-mail me at <a href="mailto:stephane.leblanc@sd71.bc.ca">stephane.leblanc@sd71.bc.ca</a> if you can be a safety volunteer for the neighbourhood run. Also, please consider making a donation to the Terry Fox Foundation by clicking on the school's fundraising page here: <a href="mailto:Link for donation">Link for donation</a>. We'll also have a Twoonies for Terry donation box at the office until next week.
- <u>2. Indigenous Support Worker Welcome Letter</u> Please click on the following link for a welcome letter from our wonderful ISW, Mme Pauline <u>ISW Welcome Letter</u>

# 3. Messages from your PAC

### \* HOT LUNCH (All students)

Ordering is now open for hot lunch this Fall. Closing date is on Tuesday, September 24th at midnight. We will not be taking late orders as this makes it challenging for our volunteers and vendors.

Please note that there are no special orders accepted. Any food left because of student absences will be donated. We cannot store food.

There are **no refunds** as the Hot Lunch program is a fundraiser for every students such as field trips, supplies, activities and more.

HOW TO ORDER HOT LUNCH - Everyone start as a new user in new school year. Last year's accounts were deleted.

Please go to: <a href="http://robbroad.hotlunches.net">http://robbroad.hotlunches.net</a>

Press "click here to register" (under the login boxes).

Enter the ACCESS CODE: RRHL

Add students

Manage Orders

If you have any questions or problems with ordering, please email: RobbRoadHotLunch@gmail.com

If ordering hot lunch is a strain on your family budget, but you would like your child(ren) to order, please reach out to any teachers, admin or PAC. Orders will be placed anonymously. This is being funded through PAC donations.

### \* SALAD BAR (Grade 1-7)

Thank you to everyone who signed up to volunteer for Salad Bar. Please be patient for us to organize the program.

We are still looking for more volunteers. Please email: RobbRoadHotLunch@gmail.com

## \*Bannock Sale (Fundraiser for ISW) - Thursday, September 26th

ERR's ISW, Mme Pauline using her special family recipe.

Please order through <a href="http://robbroad.hotlunches.net">http://robbroad.hotlunches.net</a>

# Ordering is open now and closing date is on Tuesday, September 24th at midnight.

Please note, bannocks will be served to each classes once it is ready, not necessarily at lunch time.

## **4. Parking Around the School** – a few gentle reminders :

please be mindful of not parking in a way that blocks our neighbours from their driveways on Robb Avenue, Sable Crescent and other streets around the school.

the area between Sable Place and the west school parking entrance is a No Stopping zone to help prevent cars parking there and creating potentially unsafe conditions as traffic weaves around them. We've noticed ample parking and drop off spots along Robb Avenue, past the school heading west toward Anderton

the orange cones at the front of the school indicate the bus zone and are for the yellow First Student bus and the Ambassador Shuttle.

both parking lots at the rear of the school are for staff only. Student pick up and drop off are at the front of the school on Robb Avenue. Wee Care families may use the east parking lot before 8:15 am and after 3:00 pm.

There are lots of parking spaces available at the front of the school after 2:35 pm and there is supervision from school staff until 2:45 pm.

<u>5. School Playground</u> – École Robb Road is next on the School District's priority list to receive a playground update, likely in the summer of 2025. The playground update is conditional upon SD71 receiving a grant from the province and ÉRR PAC will be invited to add funds to augment the project. A playground fundraising committee will begin work this Fall. Please email <u>RobbRoadplayground@gmail.com</u> and leave your name, contact information, and share your fundraising ideas.

<u>6. Parenting Programs</u> - BGC (formerly Boys and Girls Club) is offering two peer support parent groups:

<u>Parents Together</u> is geared to parents and caregivers of teens and provides ongoing peer support. Wednesday, September 18 from 7 to 9 PM. Virtual and in-person in Courtenay. Registration is required, please email Ted at <u>parentingprograms@bgccvi.com</u>

<u>Parenting without Power Struggles</u> focuses on parents of pre-teens to help navigate the pre-teen years with more ease. Thursday, October 3 to December 5 (excluding October 31) 7 to 8:30 PM. Virtual only - via Zoom. Registration is required, please email Ted at <u>parentingprograms@bgccvi.com</u>

<u>7. Grade 4 and 5 Basketball</u> – Free Drop-in sessions in the gym for grade 4 and 5 RR students. It'll run Friday evenings from 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm. The first session will be Friday October 4. It's drop-in with no commitment needed to attend every week.

8. Story Festival in Fanny Bay – Please click here for information on a Story Festival in Fanny Bay October 5<sup>th</sup>.

<u>9. Student Information Verification Forms</u> - Please return the completed Student Information Verification Form that were sent home with your child last week. These forms are important in ensuring we have student medical information and the correct contact information for parents and guardians.

<u>10. Cross-Country Running</u> - Interested students from grades 3 to 7 have been invited to join the Cross-Country running team for morning recess practices Mondays and Fridays. Races are Wednesdays after school - Sept. 25 (Puntledge), Oct. 2nd (Brooklyn) and Oct. 9th (Cumberland), Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> (Airport), Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> (Huband). Students can still join the team if interested and can collect permission form at the office.

### 11. Dates to Remember

Monday, September 16-20 – Consent Week

Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> – Terry Fox Run (1:40 run start)

Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> – Truth and Reconciliation Week

Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> – First Cross Country Race @ Puntledge

Friday, September 27th - Orange Shirt Day

Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup> – No School – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Student Photo Day

Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Cross Country race @ Brooklyn

Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> – Grade 4/5 Basketball Drop-in 7:15-8:15

Wednesday, October 9th – Cross Country race @ Cumberland

Monday, October 14th – No School - Thanksgiving

Have a great week!

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Stéphane LeBlanc Directeur/Principal École Robb Road Elementary

I respectfully acknowledge that we are on the unceded traditional territory of the Pentlatch, E'iksan, Sahtloot and Sasitla Peoples (K'omoks First Nations) and am thankful for the privilege of living on the land and the gift of working with their children.