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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that we are approaching spring and we are actually beginning to see the signs of warmer weather. As we enter the final term, students will build on the foundational skills acquired in the first and second terms. As teachers and students focus on building upon their academic successes, they do not lose sight of developing competencies for social and personal responsibility. As we approach term three, as partners in learning, parents are strongly encouraged to keep in contact with their child's classroom teacher regarding their child's progress.

In the month of February, we have had a focus on friendliness and being open-hearted. Students have looked for ways to include others in their play and welcome new students to our school. This month we have held an assembly to review how every one of us can stand up to bullying and how to handle conflict in peaceful ways. Many staff and students wore pink shirts to visually represent our intolerance of bullying.

*Be kind whenever possible...  
...it is always possible.*

*~ Dalai Lama*

Term two report cards will be sent home before Spring Break on Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup> and parents are asked to review their child's successes and to help their child set goals for third term.



## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

March 13	Panorama Photo Day
March 15	Report Cards Go Home
March 15	Hot Dog Day
March 16	Spirit Day – Green Day
March 17	St. Patrick's Day
<b>March 19-30</b>	<b>Spring Break (School Closed)</b>
April 2	Easter Monday (School Closed)
April 3	School Reopens After Spring Break

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Full Day Kindergarten registration for the 2018/2019 school year is now underway. If your child will be five (5) years of age by December 31, 2018 please register online at [E-Registration](#). We are strongly encouraging all families who wish to register at Robertson Elementary to do so as soon as possible...we are filling up quickly!

**Are you moving?** We are currently initiating the staffing process for the 2018/2019 school year. In order to determine our staffing allocations, it is important that we have accurate enrollment numbers. If you are intending on moving and know that your child (ren) will not be attending Robertson next year, we would certainly appreciate this information and would love to hear from you. Likewise, if your child (ren) will be attending another school in the district, you are strongly encouraged to register at that school as soon as possible. Please contact our office if you know that you will be moving. Thank you.

## BASKETBALL

Our Grade 5 & 6 boys and girls are beginning their Basketball season. Thank you to Ms. Pinning for sponsoring our boy's and girl's teams! For practice and game schedules please visit our website or contact [Ms. Pinning](#) with any questions.

## IMPORTANCE OF SLEEP!

There are a number of studies that connect success in learning to adequate sleep patterns and routines. Scientists have discovered that sleep plays a critical role in immune function, metabolism, memory, learning and other vital functions. It is more difficult to take in new information following a night of inadequate sleep or disturbed sleep. You can help your child(ren) have a successful day at school by ensuring a good night's sleep.

## MARCH NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY MRS. DERHOUSOFF

### Read-a-thon:

Please look for the Read-a-Thon newsletter that will be coming home next week! We are looking forward to an afternoon of reading and promoting literacy on Friday, March 16! Please read the newsletter on the back side of the sponsor sheet for more information about this great event. Our goal is to raise \$1000 to purchase reading resources for our student Library. That's just over \$3 per student. If each student can be involved by raising \$3-5, we will meet our goal!

### Super Reader:

March 23 marks the 200<sup>th</sup> day of reading since the beginning of the school year. Continue reading for 15 minutes every day over Spring Break so you can earn your 200 night prize after the break! Our next Kiwanis Super Reader Assembly is on April 9 at 12:45. Any student who accomplished 100 nights of reading since our January Assembly will be recognized.

We had two classes achieve their class goal! Over 75% of these classes have read 100 nights this school year! Well done to Mrs. Fast and Mrs. White's classes! Your entire class has earned their ice cream party! There are several classes who only need two or three more students to reach their class goal!! Please encourage your child to read for 15 minutes every day at home and check off their planner.

### Reading Link Challenge:

Robertson has a very dedicated team of readers this year! We face our first challenge on Tuesday, March 6

at our school to determine the 6-player team that represent Robertson at the District Competition in April! Thank you to this team for continuing to read the novels and attend all the lunch meetings! You should all be very proud of your successes!

## PAC

Did you know that you are a member of the PAC? All parents are members of our PAC and are encouraged to attend the meetings. PAC meetings provide parents with information about our school, a chance to ask questions or raise concerns and of course, a chance to become involved with our school.

The next PAC meeting will be Monday, April 18th at 9:00am in the Multipurpose Room.

To keep up to date with news and events at the school you can join our Facebook group! You can also reach us by email at [robertson-pac@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:robertson-pac@sd33.bc.ca)