

## SVE's Week-At-a-Glance



## WEEK OF: January 29-February 2

MONDAY	7:00 am - Enrollment for Kindergarten and New Students opens
29	1:00 - Earthquake Drill
TUESDAY	Big Brother Big Sister - SEL lessons/ reading with students
30	11:10 - Chess Club
WEDNESDAY 31	Flair Your Feathers- Wear your Spirit Wear/ Blue and Black Chip Sales- \$1. 50 (send exact change please) Dodge Ball practice at lunch/ Game 3- 4 pm at Quigley
THURSDAY	11:10 - Black History Month - Student Leadership Meeting- Parents
1	Welcome
FRIDAY 2	Hot Lunch- Wrap Zone

### **PAC News**

Next PAC Meeting: Wednesday, February 21 7-8 pm



Hot Lunch Site Open for order placement:

Hot Lunches, net

### Drop off and Pick up Safety Reminders...

Please remember that are driveway is open in the morning ONLY for Kiss and Drop.

Please pull your car right up to the top of the line before letting your children out. Also, DO NOT pass any stopped vehicles in the drop off lane as children have been exiting from both sides of the vehicles. This is extremely dangerous!

Lastly, the driveway is CLOSED after school. We have done so much better with this, keep it up SVE community!

(ONLY licensed daycare vehicles and taxis are permitted to enter after school)

### The Following Week...



#### What is a **Skyhawk**?

We are kind.
We are learners.
We are leaders.
We are readers.
We wonder.

Monday 5	Skating Field Trip- Cristini, Kay, Melia
Tuesday 6	Big Brother Big Sister - SEL lessons/ reading with students 11:10 - Chess Club Boys Basketball practice at lunch/ Game 3- 4 pm at Quigley
Wednesday 7	Chip Sales- \$1. 50 (send exact change please)
Thursday 8	12:30 Early Dismissal Parent Teacher Conferences- Ask teacher for details
Friday 9	12:30 Early Dismissal Parent Teacher Conferences- Ask teacher for details

## SUE's Week-At-a-Glance... continued!

Dear SVE families,

What a week! Our community practiced our adaptation skills multiple times! Thank you everyone for your cooperation during the drainage clean up.

Students also practiced their audience skills at the Kutapira cultural performance. They listened and participated in creating Zimbabwean percussion beats.

On Thursday evening, our students and their families delighted in listening to stories at our Teddy Bear Story night, hosted by multiple teachers in the building! An amazing evening had by all!

As mentioned last week, February is Black History Month. SVE would love to commemorate and celebrate and we need your help! Any parents wishing to help plan BHM are invited to attend our lunch-time meeting on Feb. 1. Please email jeremy.sanbrooks@sd23.bc.ca if you would like to partake in the planning.

Finally, On pages 6-7 of this WAAG, you will see calendar dates for the 2024-25 school year. Please note that we would like to keep our early dismissal days the same as Springvalley Middle again next year.

Our upcoming assessment dates coming up next week to mark in your calendars:

- Parent-teacher conferences: Feb. 8/9 (early dismissal at 12:30)
- Report cards due to office: Mar. 8
- Report cards go home: Mar. 13

Dr. Sanbrooks and Ms. Cicchelli



French Immersion Kindergarten Informational Session: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 @ 6:00-7:00 pm

sd23.org/french-immersion-session

## ONLINE APPLICATION for STUDENT ENROLLMENT begins on Monday, January 29, 2024, at 7:00 am for 2024 - 2025 School Year

(for kindergarten, new students, and Programs of Choice for K - 12)

Schools will be open at 7:00 am to provide telephone support to parents that require assistance.

Documentation Submission Deadline: Friday, March 15, 2024

If you are new to Canada, please contact the Welcome Centre for enrollment information at (250)470-3258

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

PLEASE NOTE: The application process is online only. You are required to have a valid email account.

In your web browser type: https://enrollment.sd23.bc.ca

No internet access? Please contact your school for assistance.

Online applications begin on Monday, January 29, 2024 at 7:00 am. Applications will be assigned a datetime stamp on a first-come, first-served basis, which will factor into a student's placement priority.

Complete the online application as early as possible, and provide the required documents listed below directly to the school in person or by email by Friday, March 15, 2024.

- Student's Birth Certificate or other government issued proof of age and citizenship.
- 2. Proof of Parent/Guardian B.C. Residency
  - a. Combination BC Driver's License and Services Card (copy of both sides); or,
  - BC Services Card (copy of both sides) and one item from the list of supporting documentation below; or,
  - c. Proof of application for BC Medical Services Plan and one item from the list of supporting documentation below.
- 3. Proof of Parent/Guardian Living Address/Supporting Documentation
  - Ownership of a dwelling or long-term lease or rental of a dwelling;
  - Documentation indicating British Columbia residence (i.e. utility bill);
  - British Columbia registration of an automobile;
  - British Columbia Driver's License (copy of both sides); or,
  - A current income tax return filed as a British Columbia resident.

#### AFTER Thursday, August 29, 2024

New in-catchment area enrollments: Parents will be notified by a confirmation email when the school has accepted the student's application for enrollment. Board Policy 405R – Student Placement (Regulations), will be used to determine student placement and priority.

New out-of-catchment area enrollments: Parents <u>may not</u> be notified until after the summer enrollment period is over and all in-catchment area students have been placed.

Qualifying age: The School Act requires that a child must be five years of age by December 31, 2024, to qualify for school enrollment in September 2024. No exceptions.

For further information, please visit the School District website <a href="www.sd23.bc.ca">www.sd23.bc.ca</a> or call (250) 860-8888.

## Kutapira









# Teddy Bear Story Night



Reading is fun!!!

## SCHOOL CALENDAR FORM - GENERAL

## 2024/2025 CALENDAR

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Instructional Non-Instructional Vacation Period Statutory Holiday



Days in session	190		
And the second second second	(3 summer Pro Days August 26, 27, 28)		
Number of days of instruction	183		
Number of non-instructional days	7		
Schools open	Tuesday, September 3		
National Day of Truth and Reconciliation	Monday, September 30		
Administrative Implementation Day	Friday, October 11		
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	Monday, October 14		
Teacher Professional Day	Friday, October 25		
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	Monday, November 11		
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	Monday, December 23 - Friday, January 3		
Statutory holiday (schools closed)	Wednesday, January 1 (amended)		
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Monday, January 6		
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	Friday, February 14		
Family Day	Monday, February 17		
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	Monday, March 17 - Friday, March 28		
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday, March 31		
Good Friday (schools closed)	Friday, April 18		
Easter Monday (schools closed)	Monday, April 21		
Victoria Day (schools closed)	Monday, May 19		
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 27		

## Proposed Parent-Teacher Conferences for 2024-25

## Parent-Teacher Conferences/ Early Dismissal Days (12:30pm)

- We would like to keep our early dismissal days the same as Springvalley Middle.
- Fall: Wednesday, Oct.9th and Thursday, Oct 10th
- Winter: Thursday, Feb 6th and Friday, Feb 7th

## Earthquake Drill Procedure

This drill must occur in the classroom once a year. The drill occurs using the guidelines provided by School District Administrative Procedures. A common annual practice date may be selected at a staff meeting, but, this drill can be done by the teacher at any time.

The procedure for an earthquake drill is:

- 1. **"Take cover"** (command given by admin in drill; in reality, the classroom teacher will likely give command)
- 2. Students assume the crash position under a desk or table (face away from the window on knees with heads down and hands clasped on the back of heads/necks)
- 3. A book or coat might be used as added protection if it is not possible to get under a desk or table
- 4. Students count aloud together to 60 (earthquakes rarely last longer than 60 seconds, counting is calming)
- 5. For the sake of the drill: admin will ring bell that shows the quake has stopped.
- 6. **In a real earthquake situation**: students are led out of the school building by the classroom teacher after the shaking stops (a firebell may be rung)
- 7. Teachers bring along the fire drill list and students gather on the west field

Optional video to watch with your class: <a href="https://youtu.be/yUzr6kP6DA0?si=7ov7zFUTP0YlDNcd">https://youtu.be/yUzr6kP6DA0?si=7ov7zFUTP0YlDNcd</a>