

Parent Advisory Meeting Minutes February 16, 2022

Covid update

- Masks are now optional for students. Staff are still required to wear masks until March 1.
- Continuing with daily screening, staying home when sick, sanitizing, virtual gatherings.
- On average there has been a couple of staff in quarantine per week.
- Rapid tests and masks are still available through the office.

Staffing update

- Mr. Gamble is filling in for Mrs. Farrier who is on maternity leave.
- Brianna (EA) has returned from maternity leave.
- Position posted for CYCW.
- Mr. Paskal has been nominated for the Edwin Parr award, and will be the nominee for the division.

Outdoor Development

- Fundraising meeting tonight at 6:15.
- Walshe has received a provincial grant for \$100,000 to continue to build on and add to the existing structures.

Athletics update

- Basketball season is in full swing.
- Spectator restrictions have been lifted, except for the mandatory masking.

Student Leadership

- Kindness week activities are in full swing; Pink Shirt Day, Valentine's Candy Bag sale, Food Drive, noon hour student activities.
- Assembly tomorrow at 1:00 (virtual).

Important Dates:

- Reading week next week with Teachers Convention on Thursday and Friday.
- May - registration day is being planned for students in grades 9-12; will include sessions for students to explore regarding their educational and career choices.

Trustee

- Presentation re Crowsnest Pass facility proposal to support the FACES & Pursuit programs.
- Presentation by FACES; students could possibly attend over 3 years. Presentations to schools are being planned.
- Presentation by Pursuits.
- Projected enrollment numbers for 2022-2023 = 3,634 (growth of 81 students).
- Approved changes to draft school calendar for 2022-2023.
See attached document

FNMI

- Monday, Betty Anne visited each classroom with a message of kindness and a gift of fry bread for staff and students.
- Elders have been guest speakers in CALM regarding health and wellness specific to traditional Indigenous diet and physical activities, and how changes have affected overall health and wellness.
- After Easter, elders will again visit CALM - topic TBD.
- Elders continue to meet one-on-one with individual students who need extra support.
- Indigenous day is currently being planned; hopefully a coordinated day with F. P. Walshe and W. A. Day.
- International Peace Pow Wow happening in Lethbridge this Saturday and Sunday at the Enmax Center (masks required).

QUESTIONS:

- Will Gulf Islands and Ontario school trips happen again this year?
- No plans at this time, but these events including the traditional Senior High trip to Europe will be discussed by staff regarding their feasibility either this year or next; updates to follow.