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Happy Spring!

We hope you and your children enjoyed a relaxing and rejuvenating Spring Break, and if your family recognizes Easter that you had a happy Easter weekend to connect and celebrate as a family. Spring brings with it a feeling of rejuvenation and gives us opportunity to notice and appreciate the beauty of the natural world around us. At school, we teach the students that they are part of a global community that includes all living things - plants, animals, and people - and that their actions have an impact on their local and the global environment *and* the global climate. To show stewardship for our environment, we have again planned this year for Earth Day on April 22 to do a community clean-up. We will also start to ready our planters and garden boxes for new growth and plantings.



April is World Autism Month

World Autism Awareness Day, April 2, was established by the United Nations in 2007 to shine a spotlight on the issues faced by people with autism spectrum disorder (ASD), and was officially recognized by the Canadian federal government in 2012 with the passing of the [World Autism Awareness Day Act](#). April is also commonly referred to as World Autism Month, though Canada officially recognizes October as [Autism Awareness Month](#).

According to the Public Health Agency of Canada, an estimated 1 in 50 children and youth between the ages of one and 17 have been diagnosed with ASD in Canada. Additionally, because it is a spectrum, the needs of one child with ASD may differ greatly from those of another child with autism. Children who have ASD, like all other children are unique, and have gifts and talents to share at school and in the broader community.



Here at the school, our goal is to raise awareness and acceptance of ASD by educating students about neurodivergence. We are a neurodiverse society in which neurotypical and neurodivergent people have the wonderful opportunity to learn with and from one another.

To learn more about the lived experiences of people who have ASD, please watch: ["Life on the Spectrum" docuseries](#)

Cyber Safety Session for Parents/Caregivers

On **Monday, April 8th from 8:45-10:00**, in the library, we will be hosting a session for parents about helping your child engage safely on the internet. During the session, we will share about some of the online games the children are playing and some of the apps they are using. We will also show some examples of how to set parental controls on a game and an app. We are grateful to have Impact North Shore representatives joining us for this session to provide Farsi translation assistance as needed. Also joining us for the session will be Constable Yamashita from the RCMP Youth Support Team to provide parents some examples of how children's online actions have led to issues for them/others, as well as what to watch out for as parents and how to monitor your child's online activity.

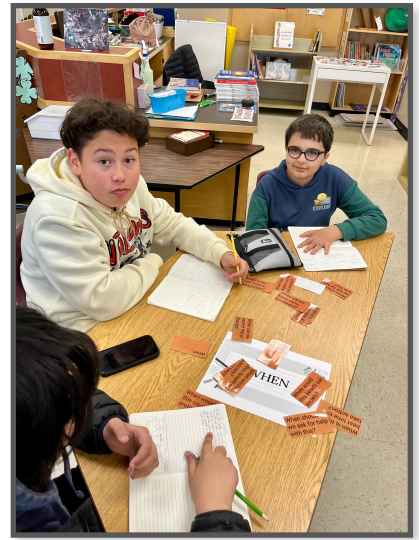
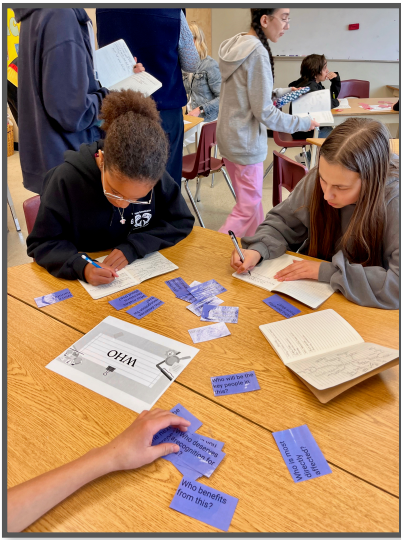
We know that many parents/caregivers will not be able to join us for the session. [Safer Schools Together](#) has some excellent resources for parents/caregivers, as does [erase = expect respect and a safe education](#) including its important anonymous reporting tool. [Common Sense Media](#) is also a great tool to help you gauge age-appropriateness, and includes helpful [parent tips & FAQs](#).

IB Learner Profile in Action



Photo credit: C. Murphy

Balanced: This week, students participated in martial arts lessons with Canadian Karate Academy's instructor Shaun Dhillon. Sensei Shaun provided classes at the school last year, so many students were excited to learn from him again. Our hope in providing lessons like this, is that an increasing number of children will find athletic pursuits that suit them and that they enjoy.



Communicators & Thinkers: Grade 7 students have started to prepare for their upcoming Exhibition of Learning which will take place on May 8th. They identified issues that they are interested in learning and doing more about and, in groups, began to use a variety of questions to spark their thinking. Thus far, they have demonstrated a deep level of thinking and collaboration and we look forward to learning from them during the Exhibition. *Photo credit: J. Malahoff*



Inquirers: Grade 1 students engaged in observations outside to develop their understanding of how “Human actions can determine the survival of a species.”

(Sharing the Planet Central Idea)

Photo credit: B. Schlumberger



Balanced Risk-Takers: The Grade 4s went to Outdoor School this week where they learned and had fun in a very special place - in the Cheakamus Valley, which is on the unneeded, traditional, ancestral territories of the Skwxwú7mesh Nation.

At Outdoor School, the students learned about the local environment and their role in being stewards of the land. They also had time to play and connect with each other in a different setting which allowed them to opportunity to better understand one another to develop their social skills.

Rugby Classes

West Vancouver Police officer, Matt Plant, also known to the kids as Coach Matt is coming back to teach rugby skills to the students during PE. He will be joining us twice a week for. We're excited to welcome Coach Matt back!

Moving?

If your child/children will NOT be attending Norgate Xwemélch'stn Community Elementary for 2024/2025, please email norgate@sd44.ca. Written confirmation (email works!) is required to start the transfer/withdrawal process as well as confirmation of acceptance from the new school.

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SCHOOL WEEK (APRIL 8 – APRIL 12)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:10-8:30 Breakfast Club	8:10-8:30 Breakfast Club	8:10-8:30 Breakfast Club	8:10-8:30 Breakfast Club	8:10-8:30 Breakfast Club
8:45-10:00 Cyber Safety session for parents/caregivers in the Library	3:00 Dismissal		3:00 Dismissal	
6:30 PAC Meeting (link on school website calendar)	3:00 Red Fox Program	2:15 Dismissal	3:00: Gr. 6/7 Capilano Community Services Program	