

February 20, 2023

Ama sah, Good afternoon Parkside students and parents,

School will be closed on Monday due to the provincial "Family Day holiday. If you have any questions or concerns about the information listed below, please respond to this email message and I will reply at my earliest convenience. Take care and have a safe long weekend.

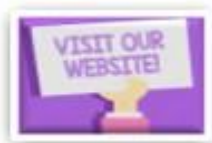


WE ARE HIRING: The school district provides educational support for Kindergarten to Grade 12 students in nineteen schools with a teaching, professional and support staff of more than 650 employees. Learn more about an interesting career in education and about joining our team by viewing the school district's [recruitment video](#) (click on link to open) via YouTube and referring to the **attached poster "We are Hiring"** As detailed in the recruitment poster, Coast Mountains Schools District 82 is accepting applications for the following positions currently available in our Hazelton, Kitimat, Kitwanga, Terrace and Stewart school communities. Hours of work are generally 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

- Certified Teachers Teaching on Call
- Non-Certified Teachers Teaching on Call
- Certified Education Assistants
- Non-Certified Education Assistants
- Summer Student Labourers
- Casual Support Staff



HEALTH CHECK: Students, staff and visitors entering Parkside must complete a daily health check (**see attachment "Health Check"**). If anyone is sick or experiencing any of the following symptoms then they must stay home: **Fever, chills, cough, loss of sense of smell / taste, difficulty breathing, sore throat, runny nose, sneezing, extreme fatigue or tiredness, headaches, body aches, diarrhea, nausea or vomiting.** Your cooperation is appreciated as we strive to focus on health and safety for everyone at Parkside.



SCHOOL WEBSITE: Check out information posted to Parkside's website by clicking on this link: [Parkside Secondary School | 3824 Eby Street Terrace, B.C. V8G 2Z8 Phone: 250-635-5778 \(cmsd.bc.ca\)](#)



SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION UPDATE: Refer to the **attached letter "Student Transportation"** from Rob Schibli, Director of Facility Services. We appreciate the efforts parents have been making to drive students to school when the school bus is not operating. Staff have been excusing students who have been absent from school due to the disruptions in bus service.



SUPPORTS for YOUTH: Refer to the **attachment "Feb.2023 Foundry"** for a list of events being offered at the Foundry office for youth aged 12-24 years old at 3219 Eby Street. Foundry offers youth peer support, health care assistance, mental health support, and social services for youth aged 12-24 years old.



SCHOOL CLOSED: On **MONDAY** school will be closed for the annual “Family Day” holiday. For a list of school holidays please refer to the **attachment “School Calendar 2022-2023”**



SWIMMING: On **TUESDAY at 1:00PM** Parkside students will have the opportunity to go swimming at the local aquatic centre for one hour. Transportation will be provided. All costs will be covered thanks to financial support provided by the local Terrace Rotary club.



HORSEBACK RIDING: On **WEDNESDAY at 12:30PM** Parkside students will have the opportunity to ride horses at Copperside Stables. Any students wanting to participate need to express their interest to our riding teacher, Kirsty Evans. This program is possible thanks to financial support from the JumpStart Foundation.



CULTURAL DANCE: On **WEDNESDAY at 1PM** Parkside students will have the opportunity to participate in cultural dancing with students from Kitsumkalum’s school Na Aksa Gylak’yoo.



YOGA ANYONE?: On **THURSDAY at 11AM** our yoga instructor, Barb Yawrenko, and Parkside teacher Colleen Annibal, will be offering a yoga session for Parkside students in our gym. Yoga mats will be provided. Refer to this **You Tube video** about [What are the The Benefits of Yoga for Teens? - YouTube](#) highlighting the importance of doing yoga and why it is available to Parkside students every week.



STUDENT SURVEY: This month grade 11 students will be completing an online survey. For participating they will have their names entered for an Amazon gift card valued at \$50. For further information about the survey refer to the **attachment “YDI Survey Topics”** and this video: [Youth Advisory Council: Introducing the YDI - YouTube](#)



PARENT SURVEY: An online survey is now open and available for completion until April 28, 2023. All responses are anonymous and confidential. The survey is for grade 10 and 12 Parkside students and their parents. To learn more about the survey visit the Ministry’s website at [2022/2023 Student Learning Survey](#). Parkside students in grades 10 and 12 will complete the survey at school. **Parents of Parkside students in grades 10 and 12 can log in by using the Direct Access (no logon number required).** To take the survey simply click on this link: [Student Learning Survey - Province of British Columbia \(awinfosys.com\)](#)