

May 1, 2023

Ama sah, Good afternoon Parkside parents and students,

Students were given their third term report cards on April 26th to show to their parents/guardians. If you have not received this report, please contact the school **(250-635-5778)** so a copy can be made available for you to pick up in our office. Below is information listed for your reference. If you have any questions or concerns, please reply to this email and I will respond at my earliest convenience. Take care and have a relaxing weekend,



SCENT FREE SCHOOL: Due to the sensitivities of Parkside students and staff our school is a scent-free building. This means students and staff are not permitted to wear perfume, cologne or scented lotions. This is a safety issue for those who have allergies. Please ensure your teenager arrives at school fragrance-free. Your cooperation with this matter is appreciated.



DRESS CODE: As the weather becomes warmer all students and staff are expected to follow the school's code of conduct for appropriate clothing. This means no revealing clothing, no drug/alcohol images, no swear words, no gang-related clothing, or any clothes that show sexually explicit acts. Refer to the **attached "Code of Conduct"**.



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.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS: Parkside students are expected to attend school every day unless a parent/guardian has contacted the school to excuse an absence. Attendance and satisfactory work habits must be demonstrated on an ongoing basis by students to ensure their enrolment continues at Parkside. Refer to the **attached "Parkside Attendance Policy"** which parents and students sign prior to the commencement of classes at Parkside. If your teenager is unable to attend class, please phone and leave a message **(250-635-5778)** explaining the absence so our staff know why a student is not in class.



CULTURE: On **MONDAY afternoon** a group of Parkside students will be learning from George Peal at Suwilaawks Community School how to make their own cultural items.



SPECIAL EVENT On **WEDNESDAY** there will be a special school assembly for all students and staff that focuses on how we can become people who make a difference (altruism). Refer to the attachment "Live Different Event" for a description of the day's events. Check out their promotional video [LiveDifferent School Tours - YouTube](#)



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.



SAFETY: On **THURSDAY afternoon** there will be a fire drill. Staff will review evacuation procedures with students prior to this drill.



RENTALS WANTED: In preparation for the upcoming school year, Coast Mountains School District 82 wishes to secure rental properties for new employees in the communities of Kitimat, Terrace and the Hazeltons.

If you have a rental property and you would like to explore the opportunity to rent your property to teaching professionals, School District 82 invites you to contact us at rentals@cmsd.bc.ca.



AWARDS: ***For your information ... the Ministry of Education and Child Care has recently announced the 2023 Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education Nominations.*** These awards were created to recognize the enormous contributions of BC's exceptional teachers, administrators and support staff that are vital to the cultural, economic and social well-being of the province. **Nominations are now open and are welcome from all BC citizens, including students, parents, teachers, administrators, trustees and community organizations. The deadline to submit nominations is May 5, 2023.** To nominate an educational professional for the 2023 Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education, please access the following link:

www.gov.bc.ca/excellenceineducation



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