



Weekly Update from Cinnabar Valley Elementary School



February 1, 2018

Report Cards – Progress Reports

Teachers will send the first set of report cards home on Friday. Some students will have an insert from the Department of Learning Services of NLPS in their envelope (youngest and only members of families). I have attached the insert to this weekly update as well, to ensure that it makes its way home to all families. Please take some time to review the comments written by the teacher, as well as the progress indicated by the sliding scale. The reports indicate progress in learning to date. Please return the report card envelopes to school next week, but keep the actual documents. If you have any questions or concern, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher.

I had the pleasure of reading each report card and I am truly amazed at the amazing progress that our Cinnabar students have made already this year. Keep up the great work everyone!

Coding and Sphero

If you walk into the school between now and the middle of March you may see glow spheres rolling down the hallway, and students following them, working on iPads at the same time. We are fortunate to have a set from the District Sphero collection for our students to use for three months. Students use the iPads to input coding commands to get the robotic sphere to move. It is quite a sight to see the students so engaged in making these objects move! My recommendation if you are in the hall- WATCH WHERE YOU ARE GOING! The sphero will sneak up on you!



Triple Ball Results

Our Bantam Triple Ball players, both boys and girls, have made us very proud! They worked hard to develop a real sense of team and both teams made it to the final four. Our boys team lost a very close match to Chase River on Tuesday, and ended up finishing fourth overall on Wednesday. Our girls traveled to Rutherford on Thursday for the championship game. They finished the season with an incredible second place pennant! We will celebrate our teams' successes with a pizza party next week. Thank you to Mrs. Edwards, Ms. Brown and Mr. Sharpe for coaching, and to all of the parents who supported the players throughout the season!





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Bus Trips Next Week

Busses will be arriving to pick students up on Tuesday for Swim to Survive (10:15) and Friday morning at 8:50. I thank you in advance for ensuring that the parking lot is available for the busses to navigate.

Tuesday February 6 (see attached information)

CHILDHOOD STRESS & ANXIETY BUILDING RESILIENCE

EMPOWERING STRATEGIES EFFECTIVE SUPPORTS -

[See attached information! Please register for this free event taking place in our Gym!](#)

Lock Down Drill

I am currently working with our School Liaison Officer to coordinate a Lock Down drill for the school. We have tentatively planned the drill for Thursday morning.

During a Lock Down Drill, students and staff take shelter in whatever inside location they may be in, away from doors and windows. Blinds are closed, doors are shut, and other windows are covered. Students are instructed to be silent. Students are asked to put cell phones upside down on the floor in front of them (only applicable if they happen to have one at the time). During a lockdown, parents and other visitors are not permitted to enter or leave the building. As such, if students are outside when a lockdown is called (i.e.: recess, or a class is returning from a field trip), students will go to a safe location off of the school grounds. This location is chosen in consultation with the RCMP.

During our drill (and I will confirm the date as soon as possible), we will practice with everyone IN the building (or the portables), and then take all of the staff and students to our safe gathering place off of the school grounds so that everyone knows the expectations. I am more than willing to share where this location is – just not in a document that is shared on our website (for security reasons).



Calendar Updates February 5-9

Swim to Survive for Grade 3's
Anxiety Presentation in Gym (6:00 PM)
Lock Down Drill (tentative)
Skating Div 1 and 2
Hot lunch!

Monday February 12

Tuesday, February 6
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Thursday, February 8
Friday, February 9
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Enjoy your Family Day!