



Weekly Newsletter

17-January—2024

Principal's Message

Hello DMS families,

Please see below for some updates:

1. Thank you to the City of Colwood and RCMP who have been enforcing driving rules/laws on Painter Rd. A reminder to all to please exercise the upmost of caution and allow extra time for drop off and pick up to avoid making driving decisions that put others at risk. Thank you in advance.

2. Grade 8 Transitions: we aware that the scheduled times conflict with some Gr. 8 activities and or events. Please know that we will reschedule as needed to ensure that all students have the opportunity to attend these events and participate in the transition activities. Please note, that tomorrows visit to RBSS has already been rescheduled to Tuesday, Jan 23rd due to the road conditions and associated challenges with walking to and from.

3. Parent Information Evening is scheduled for Grade 5s on February 13 from 6:00-7:00 at DMS in the gym. There will be a general presentation from 6:00 to 6:30 and then a Dance academy info session from 6:30-7:00 for those interested. Families will also be able to tour the school led by Leadership students between 6:30-7:00. Parents and children are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you here.

Upcoming Events

Jan. 22-23rd—West Coast BJJ

Jan. 23rd-Gr. 8 Visits to RB

Jan. 25th—Gr.8 Visit # 1 RBSS

Jan. 25th—TC02 Presentation

Jan. 25th—Gr 8 Ski trip
parent mtg, 6:00pm, gym

Jan. 25th—Family Board
Game Night, 6-8pm

Feb. 6th—7-8pm, Gr 8
Student/Parent Info night,
RBSS

Feb. 8th - Gr. 8 Ski trip

Feb. 8th—Gr. 8 Visit #2, RBSS
(will be rescheduled)

Feb. 16th - Non-Instructional
day

Feb. 19th—Family Day

Feb. 23rd - RBSS Course
forms due in office

Pizza Orders

We will have pizza lunches every Friday that school is in session. Ordering is done through [school cash online](#).

Pizza is provided by Local Pizza (formerly fresh slice). We unfortunately do not have a gluten free or vegan option. No refunds on unclaimed pizza.

Other News Continued...

Attendance

Parents/Guardians, when emailing your child's absence, please make sure on the subject line you include your child's last name. For example it should look like this:

Subject line: John Smith sick

Family Board Game Night—Amended date

JANUARY 25TH Join us on Thursday from 6:00pm – 8:00pm as Dunsmuir hosts a Board Game Night presented by the Board Game Café. Come with the family and learn a new board game! Admission by donation, concession available. Proceeds will go towards purchasing new board games to update our shared games cart that classes can use or students can use at Lunch time. Contact Mr. Duque-Park or Mrs. Knoke for more details. See poster attached.

Grade 8 Ski Trip Parent meeting

Hi Parents,

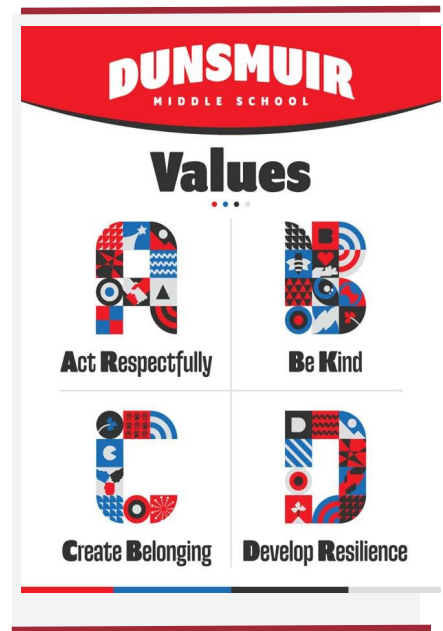
Due to a conflict with our Family Board Game Night we will need to change the location and time of our parent meeting for the ski trip. The new time and place will be **6:00pm in the gym. The date has NOT changed and will still be January 25th.**

Please let me know if you can't make that time and please email Meghan Caldwell (mcaldwell@sd62.bc.ca) and arrange another time to meet in person.

Parent Portal—Is your information updated??

Parents, please review your contact information. Please make sure your address, phone number and emergency contact information is current. Any changes, please email the Dunsmuir email account dunsmuir@sd62.bc.ca

To access Parent Portal, please go to <https://www.sd62.bc.ca/parents-students/myed-bc-portal>



Student Attendance

Is your child is going to be absent, late, or signing out early?

Email Dunsmuir at dunsmuir@sd62.bc.ca as well as your student's teacher(s).

Please include your child's first and last name, teacher's name and reason for absence.

**Please do not call in your attendance.
Thank you!**