



**Alexander Robinson Elementary**  
**HOME OF THE DRAGONS**

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## **Newsletter #7 – March 2024**

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Thank you to all our parents who joined us on our Pink Shirt Day/Kindness Walk. Even though the weather was not great, our students and staff enjoyed our walk, highlighting the importance of kindness and inclusion at ARE. The next important event at school is our upcoming conferences this week. We thank you in advance for your participation in this event with your child(ren). If you have not already set up an appointment, please check the parent portal for available slots or contact your child's/children's classroom teacher(s). A reminder that Thursday will be an early dismissal day at 11:30 and school will not be in session Thursday afternoon or Friday.

A big thank you to our basketball coaches as the season winds down. Mrs. Macpherson and Elder coached the girls' team, while Mr. Davis coached both the boys' rec and competitive teams. We appreciate the time all coaches put in to provide the opportunity for our students.



We are very excited for our Drama presentation by our grade 6/7 students to be held on Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Diamond and her students have been rehearsing in anticipation to perform for their parents. Please refer to the portal sent out by Mrs. Diamond for more information. The doors open at 12:40 and with the performances starting at 12:50 sharp. We look forward to seeing you at ARE ☺

## PARKING AT ARE

Traffic issues surrounding ARE Elementary have been a safety concern to all for the last few years, with the problem increasing as our population continues to grow. I would like to highlight two areas of concern that must be addressed in a timely manner.

First, to address safety and congestion, I ask that the front driveway only be used for drop-off and pick-ups with no stopping for extended periods or parking. Parents with handicap decals and daycare buses will be permitted to stop/park in the front.

Second, I'd like to emphasize that the back parking lot is strictly for staff use with the exception of the handicap spots at the back of the lot that may be used by those parents with handicap decals for students who need to be dropped off/picked up at the back of the school. If you're unsure where you should be dropping off your child (the driveway or the back of the school), please consult with your classroom and/or support teacher. We ask that other parent vehicles not to enter the lot which will cause further congestion in an already busy parking lot.

I thank you in advance for your support and cooperation as we all have the same goal in mind: the safety of our community, including students, parents, and staff. Please don't hesitate to contact me at the school if you have any questions.

Ramin Mehrassa, Principal.

## LUNCH DROP OFFS

We are seeing an unusual number of lunches being dropped off before noon. It is taking a lot of time from the office to deliver them or call the students down. Please note that we will not be calling students down to pick up lunches. If you bring a lunch for your child, please leave at the office LABELLED with your child's name and grade. Your child can come down and check for their lunch when lunch begins.

If lunch has been forgotten at home, you will still receive a phone call from the office.

# I AM Awesome!

## SPRING CAMP

Designed to help young individuals with communication styles, triggers, looking at their special inner qualities, how to deal with stress and how to be a friend!

**MONDAY-THURSDAY  
8AM-12PM**

**MARCH 18TH-21ST  
FOR 6-8YRS**

**MARCH 25TH-28TH  
FOR 9-10YRS**

**PRICE: \$86/CHILD**



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Monday	Tue sday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 -Space Centre DIV 15,18,19
4 -Rec Boys BB Practice 7:30am  -3:00pm Game Rec Boys BB vs Whonnock Home	5 -Stave Falls DIV 1,4	6 -Hot lunch	7 -Conferences 11:30am dismissal	8 -Conferences all day (no school)
11 -Drama Presentation for school	12 -Momentum Movement DIV 1,2	13 -Hot lunch  -Drama Presentation for Parents	14 -Swimming DIV 1,2,4,5,6,7  -Skating DIV 3	15 -Movie DIV 4,13,14,15,18  -Last day before break
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	27	29

\*subject to change\*

