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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42 (MAPLE RIDGE - PITT MEADOWS)

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January 2022

Dear families,

Happy New Year! We are looking forward to welcoming students back after the extension of the winter break. If you have not yet had a chance to read the “Welcome Back” message that went out through the Parent Portal on Friday, I strongly encourage you to do so. It contains information on our continuing and enhanced health and safety measures specific to Golden Ears Elementary. If you have questions about these measures, please feel free to contact me at laura_brandon@sd42.ca. I thank you in advance for your assistance as we work together to take care of ourselves, each other, and our school community.

Kind regards,
Mrs. Laura Brandon

Mark your Calendars

Jan. 5-11 Kindergarten registration for siblings is open

Jan. 10 Students return to school

Jan. 14 Black Excellence Day

Jan. 24 Non-Instructional Day (school based)

Jan. 25 Fruit and Veggie Day

Jan. 25 LFI Zoom parent info session at 7:00 pm

Feb. 21 Family Day Stat

Feb. 22 Non-Instructional Day (school based)

March 11 Schools close for Spring Break

March 28 Schools reopen after Spring Break

COVID 19 Reminders:

- Please ensure you conduct a [daily health check](#) with your child. **Do not send your child to school if they do not pass the daily health check or if they are ill with a cold or flu.**
- If your unvaccinated child traveled internationally over the winter break, they are not permitted to attend school for 14 days after their return to Canada. This includes trips to the USA for any duration of time. If you have any questions, please review this document <https://parents.sd42.ca/Download.aspx?OKFqMnEieTrJ4+XHGR8ZZdI85WLn1JYspsnfqDumQ8U=>
- Please ensure your child brings a mask (and a backup mask if possible) to school every day. There has been a lot of discussion regarding masks in the media lately, so please review the BCCDC attachment and the information at this link <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/prevention-risks/masks>.

Black Excellence Day

On January 14th, everyone is invited to wear black in recognition of Black Excellence Day. In anticipation of Black History Month, Black Excellence Day is a day to rejoice Black history and learn about Black stories, Black art and Black people, and a day to stand in solidarity by wearing black. Follow this link for more information on Black Excellence Day <https://blackexcellenceday.ca>

2022-2021 Late French Immersion

If you are interested in the learning about the opportunities Late French Immersion offers your child, I encourage you to join our parent information session on **January 25, 2022, at 7:00pm**. This will be a Zoom event and preregistration is required. To learn more and preregister, go to sd42.ca/student-registration

Online registration for Late French Immersion is through the Parent Portal and **opens at noon, January 27, 2022**. This program will fill quickly so be ready to register at noon.

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration is open for children who will be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2022. **The sibling phase of registration is now active and closes January 11 at midnight.** For more information, please go to www.sd42.ca

Westcoast Recess

A reminder that we practice Westcoast Recess. Please ensure your child is prepared to be outside for our winter weather.

Lost and Found

Our "Lost and Found" will continue to be just inside the main doors. Please come have a look through the window and see if you recognize any of your child's items. A reminder to please put your child's name on their clothing so they are easily identified and returned.