

Sorrento Elementary

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Hello Sorrento Families,

We had a great first week of 2025 last week and look forward to many more here at Sorrento Elementary. Here are a few reminders and updates to get us going.

Hot Lunch is Back

- Ordering is now open for Hot Lunch days between now and Spring Break. Please make sure to order at least a
 week before the scheduled eating day and to make things easier you can order for each Hot Lunch Day at the
 same time.
- Ordering information and links can now be found on our website with a button at the top of the page so you
 don't need to filter old emails for the information.

Winter Clothing

- Despite it feeling more like Fall or Spring on most days without snow and extreme cold, we are in fact in winter and as such should expect the unexpected when it comes to weather.
- Please make sure your child(ren) come to school prepared to be outside. Boots, jackets, hats, snow pants and
 gloves should be brought daily. Please write your child's name on all outerwear as our lost and found continues
 pile up and often multiple students have the same jacket/gloves/hoodies/etc.

Drop Off Lane

- Remember that we *do not pass in this lane* as students exit on both sides of the vehicles. Please remind other family members of this as well if they might be dropping off or picking up on occasion.
- Please pull all the way up to the next open space when dropping off to avoid congestion near the entrance.
- **Quick 30 second drop and go.** If you need to get out of your vehicle to assist a student walking in or popping into the school, please park in a stall or on the street above.

West Side Drop Off

• Many parents are dropping students off using the lane on the west side of the school. Please note that this is very congested and tight to turn around and we shouldn't be using our neighbours' driveways to turn around, especially when there is snow on the ground. Packing the snow with tire tracks makes their driveways icy and tough to shovel. The front drop-off lane is just as quick most of the time.

Calling or Emailing in when Absent

• Thank you to all who are making our safe arrival checks much quicker by calling in before school starts. Callouts happen when we have students marked absent without notification. We do this to make sure students are safe and where they should be. You can leave a message anytime if your child will be absent, not just during working hours. Thank you for your assistance with this important safety item.

Volunteering and Driving for Activities

- The second half of the year often has more activities and events taking place that may require parent assistance. To drive others to a sport or school trip, or to volunteer in and out of the school/classroom, we need parents to have a criminal record check on file with the district.
- If you haven't had a chance to do so, please use the following link to complete your record check quickly online. While you may not have plans to volunteer or assist in the coming weeks, having it completed early means that there won't be any delay in future should you be able to assist and it is good for 3-5 years at all schools your child attends in the district.
- Online link: SD83 Volunteer Criminal Record Check https://justice.gov.bc.ca/screening/crrpa/org-access
- Access Code: 6TQTFUJGQP
- When asked: the *Job Title* is Volunteer; and the *Facility Name* is Sorrento Elementary

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding.

Attached is a brochure for a family fun day activity being hosted by our neighbours at the Sorrento Centre in February.



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The Shuswap Community Response Network and the Sorrento Retreat and Conference Centre invite you to

FROSTY'S FREE FUN DAY

AN INTERGENERATIONAL COME AND GO EVENT

10 AM - 2 PM
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025
at Sorrento Retreat and Conference Centre
1159 Passchendaele Road, Sorrento





Light Lunch Served inside at noonJoin us for soup and a bun - FREE OF CHARGE!

Frosty's Photo Booth
Bring your camera or phone for a Frosty Family Photo!

Day Long Bonfire, Hot Chocolate, and Homemade Cookies
Keep warm by the fire in Kekuli while sipping hot chocolate and
munching on delicious cookes!

Please register by calling the Sorrento Centre Office so we can ensure there's enough food and prizes for everyone!

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