

Alex Hope News



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Newsletter #3

Gator School Store:

Christmas is coming! If you are looking for gift ideas or looking for a way to show off your school spirit check out the virtual store—<https://www.truenorthoriginals.ca/alexhope>. Wear your new Gator Gear with Pride! If you order by November 20th your order will be delivered by December 15th., in time for Christmas!

Grade 6 Immunizations—Grade 6:

The District has been advised by Fraser Health that school immunizations are expected to take place in January. As in previous years, students in grade 6 and 9 will have the opportunity to be vaccinated. Fraser Health will also provide catch up immunizations to students who did not complete their immunizations last year or over the summer. If you have any questions, please contact the Langley Health Unit 604-539-2900..

One World Card Co:

Many of our intermediate students took part in an art contest with the winners work being printed on holiday cards for One World Card Co.

Indie Bateman, an Alex Hope alumni, started One World Card Co. and money raised is donated to schools in Rwanda. If you wish to purchase cards please go to

<http://www.oneworldcardco.com>. The cards are sold in packages of 10 for \$10.00 and look amazing!

Congratulations to Jessica Y., Heidi R., Yusuf R., Avery H., and Kona L. for their amazing artwork!

Weather:

In BC, there is no such thing as bad weather, just inappropriate clothing and footwear choice! It is important that your child is sent with clothing that will keep them warm and dry. We will continue to be outside during most days. Where possible, please be sure your child is sent with proper footwear, a jacket and possibly an umbrella. It is also recommended that students have a set of spare clothes at the school., just in case!

Lunch Drop off:

We kindly ask parents to please send lunches with their children in the morning. We have noticed that we are having many more lunches dropped off in the office recently. While we understand sometimes we all forget, we ask everyone to work extra hard to remember everything needed for the day to avoid the extra contacts at the school.



Understanding the New Report Card:

Langley is moving away from a grade-based report card towards a proficiency-based report card. Learning happens at different rates for our students and the goal of the report card is to highlight what are students can do – and that learning happens on a continuum. Please see the descriptors below that you will see on your child’s report card.

The following proficiency scale will be used for describing the learning of your child throughout the year:

Emerging (EMG) - “I don’t understand it yet, but I am trying. I am just getting started and learn best with help.”

Developing (DEV) - “I am starting to understand it. I get some of it and am beginning to do more on my own.”

Proficient (PRF) - “I understand it and can do it on my own.”

Extending (EXT) - “I really understand it and can teach others how to do it. I get it and go beyond what is expected of me.

MyED—Report Cards:

As report cards approach please make sure that you are able to sign in to the MyED website. The link to the website can be found here: <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/myedbc-family-portal-help/>, as well as other helpful information.

If you need your password reset, please email Mrs. Thorpe in the office—cthorpe@sd35.bc.ca.



Parking Lot Reminders:

Please see the picture below. We ask that you please pull up as far as possible. If there is space in front of you, please pull forward. We recognize this may mean students are not being dropped off directly in front of their classroom, however, this small change will have a positive impact on the congestion that can occur at pick up and drop off time. As well, students have access to the sidewalk and can safely make it to class from the far end of the building. Thank you for your support.



Lost and Found

Our lost and found is getting very full! We know that due to Covid parents are unable to come in to look for lost items so we have snapped a few pictures. If you see something you think might be your child's tell them to check. Or give us a call in the office and we can try to assist these lost items finding their owners!





Please tell your child to have a look if you think any of these items might belong to them!



Health Check:

As we enter cold and flu season please remember to complete the daily health check with your children before sending them to school.



September 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Re: Daily Health Check

Prior to September, your school sent you a Daily Health Check Form to complete and return to the school one time only. Please continue with that process, as we need your acknowledgement, care and consideration, to ensure we keep our school community healthy and safe.

On September 11, 2020, the BCCDC and BC's Ministry of Health updated its [COVID-19 Public Health Guidance K-12 Settings](#). As a result, the section on daily health check procedures was amended. Please see the new questions followed by health recommendations.

You are not required to complete or submit a new daily health check form, however, we encourage you to use this revised document as a reference when completing the daily health check with your child.

Our District's procedure is for all students to complete a daily health check at home prior to entering school and/or boarding a District bus.

If a student answers "yes" to any of the following questions they will not be able to attend:

Daily Health Check			
1. Symptoms of Illness	Does your child have any of the following symptoms?	Please check Yes or No	
	Fever	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Chills	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Shortness of breath	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Diarrhea	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Nausea and vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2. International Travel	Have you returned from travel outside of Canada in the last 14 days?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3. Confirmed Contact	Are you a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

If you answered "YES" to one of the "Symptoms of Illness" questions above (excluding fever), you should stay home for 24 hours from when the symptom started. If the symptom improves, you may return to school when you feel well enough. If the symptom persists or worsens, seek a health assessment.

If you answered "YES" to two or more of the "Symptoms of Illness" questions above or you have a fever, seek a health assessment. A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner. If a health assessment is required, you should not return to school until COVID-19 has been excluded and your symptoms have improved.