

# ÉCOLE MILLSTREAM ELEMENTARY

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Dear École Millstream School Families:

# **Empathy**

Our staff Kindness Committee has organized monthly assemblies where one class presents on a topic related to kindness. For the month of November, Ms. Lefsrud's class will share some ideas around *empathy* with our school community. Empathy is the ability to relate to someone else's experience. We encourage families to find opportunities to talk to their child(ren) about empathy and the importance of empathizing with others.

## Reporting

The Sooke School District is taking part in a Ministry of Education pilot program to explore new ways of reporting student progress to students and parents. This means that there may be some changes to the report card that you received last year, and your child(ren)'s teacher may be using a new means of reporting such as portfolios. *Please look for more information coming to all families from the school office next week. Also, please consider attending the November PAC Meeting where Mrs. Krusekopf will present information about this pilot and answer questions.* 

#### Code of Conduct

Our École Millstream School Code of Conduct will be explained to students at tomorrow's school-wide assembly. A paper copy of the Code of Conduct will be sent home tomorrow, Friday, November 2. Please note that this document needs to be signed by parents and students, and then returned to the school.

# October Highlights

October was a busy month during which we selected and trained our Peer Helpers, enjoyed Pizza Day and Movie Night, and danced away at a PAC-sponsored Hallowe'en Dance. Thank you to our staff and PAC for making these events possible.

Many students also experienced hands-on learning by attending the opera, going on field trips, participating in First Nations' Drumming and Art Gallery workshops. Kudos to our staff for finding innovative and engaging ways for our children to learn!

### **Sports**

We have a boys' and a girls' handball team who have started the game season. Thank you to our coaches Mr. Deichmann, Mrs. Devenport, Mme. Montero, Mme. Ogrodnik and Mrs. Krusekopf. Good luck handball players!

# Reminders

Please remember ...

- To have your child(ren) be prepared to play outside in rainy weather.
- To come inside and look at the lost & found items in the hallway.
- The Photo Re-take Day on November 6<sup>th</sup>.
- To consider attending our Remembrance Day Assembly on November 9th.

## Upcoming Events

We are regularly updating our school website. Please refer to the website or app for upcoming events or information. The school app can be downloaded in the App store (Millstream Mustangs).

https://millstream.appazur.com/help/quickstart

https://millstream.appazur.com/help/flyer

http://millstream.sd62.bc.ca/

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs. Krusekopf and Mrs. Ogrodnik