



# From the Raven's Nest...

for Friday, February 4, 2022

Dear Families,

**February is Kindness Month...** Well with January behind us, the days are getting longer and hopefully warmer, and February is upon us. We have several events happening this month that you may want to add to your family calendars. First of all next week is the district transfer week, so any families that want their child to transfer to a different school will need to complete a district transfer form. These are available online, or at the school office, and must be returned to the school that the child is currently registered at by Friday February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Other events this coming week are that we will be selling Candygrams every day this week for 25 cents each. These will be available to buy each day at Nutrition Break and the completed Candygrams will be delivered on Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.

On Friday, we have another spirit day scheduled and the theme is "Anything but a Backpack". This is a trend on TikTok that challenges students to bring their supplies/materials for the day in *anything but a backpack*. We have put some parameters on the materials that they may use which are: 1. the students can not use anything that is larger than their body, and 2. whatever they use must belong to the student, their family or they must have permission from the owners to use it. We do not want people "borrowing" traffic cones, shopping carts, or other items from the community, but look forward to seeing what the students may come up with.

## What's happening at Rockheights next week:

**Monday, Feb 7<sup>th</sup>** SD61 K-12 Transfer week

**Tuesday, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>**

- 3pm-4pm Volleyball practice after school
- 6:30 RMS PAC Meeting via Zoom

**Wednesday, Feb 9<sup>th</sup>**

- Noon - Music Pizza sales

**Thursday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>**

- Volleyball practice at lunchtime

**Friday, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>**

- "Anything but a Backpack" Day
- Dollar Dog Day – Hot Dogs and Freezies on sale for \$1 each
- Manga/Anime Club at lunch in LLC

## Looking Further Ahead:

**February 14<sup>th</sup>** – PJ Day

**February 18<sup>th</sup>** – District Professional Development Day

**February 21<sup>st</sup>** – Family Day holiday

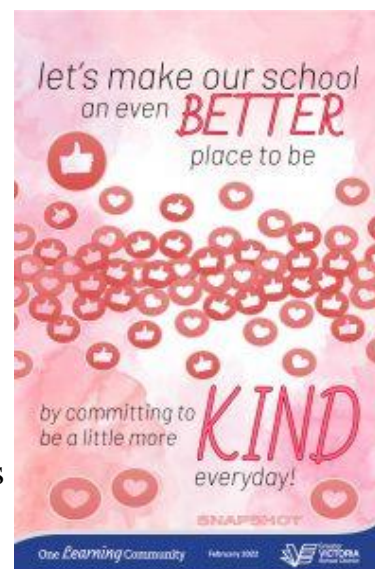
**February 23<sup>th</sup>** – **Pink** Shirt Day

Another fun school wide event is that students will be once again building gravity cars. Our grade 6/7 students will be doing this in class and our grade 8 students will have an opportunity to take part as part of a club. All participants will be racing their cars at the end of February and there will be prizes for various categories such as fastest, most creative, etc.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP**

One aspect of the gravity cars is that we use CDs or DVD's as the wheels. If by chance you have any spindles of CD's or DVD's that you are no longer using (as they have been replaced by cloud storage or memory sticks) and would be willing to donate them to the school, please send them to me here in the office. We can buy more, but if you have spindles or old CD's that you longer need, we would greatly appreciate the donation.

And lastly, on February 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be taking part in **Pink Shirt Day** and as part of this we will be focusing on kindness throughout the month and the fact that each of us has a responsibility to take care of each other within our school community.



### **Monthly District Snapshots:**

The School District creates snapshots on specific themes. The theme for January was [Raising Savvy Digital Citizens](#). The February 2022 Middle Snapshot's topic is looking at Kindness and raising digital citizens. Please click on the following link for more information: [Deconstructing Bullying](#)

JUST A REMINDER....

## **RMS PAC News: PAC Meeting this Tuesday**

RMS PAC is a way to stay connected and involved in your child's education. We will be meeting, via Zoom on Tuesday February 8 at 6:30pm and hope you can join us at the following link: <https://gvsd61.zoom.us/j/67088204741?pwd=eDhDd2w0Z2tWVVBjeDdYUjBmUpNUT09>



We want to thank you for your continued support as we work our way through the second term. We are continually grateful for the support of families and our community partners. This week alone, we had Brad Boughton from our local **County Grocer** offer to donate supplies for four weeks of our "Dollar Dog Days fundraiser" that goes towards the cost of field trips for our grade eight students. This kind of community support is incredible and we hope that, if you get a chance, you will support these community partners.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments about these events or your child's progress, please do not hesitate to reach out to or child's Advisory teacher or to me directly. Have a great weekend.

Sincerely, *Mr. Maxwell*