



SWAN VALLEY REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear SVRSS Families,

Welcome everyone to this school year. It is mid-October, and we are in full swing with athletic programs, field trips, extra-curricular activities and so much more happening. Below is some detailed information.

Communities that Care Survey

In November we will be participating in a survey conducted by **Communities that Care** to gather information about our community and to hear from our students. Please see the attached form to be returned to the SVRSS main office if you do not want your child to participate.

Parking and Traffic

As construction continues at our SVRSS Cultural Centre, parking and traffic flow continues to be limited. Thank you for your support in dropping off and picking up students at the north end of the building. Continue to pull through on the north end as it allows for a good flow of traffic and does not hold up our buses.

Early Intervention Letters and Report Cards

Next week we will be sending **Early Intervention Letters** home for any students that need additional support to meet their learning goals. Report Cards will be sent home November 12th. One of our initiatives is to move to digital report cards which we hope to be able to send electronically at the end of Semester 1. Please ensure that your email is accurate and updated with our office by returning the updated student registration form that was sent home in September.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher interviews are scheduled for Thursday November 14th from 5:00-8:30 and Friday November 15th from 12:00-1:30. The parent portal link to register for teacher interviews will open on November 4th and can be found on the SVRSS website.

Fees

School fees are to be paid at the main office. Please make cheques payable to SVRSS.

Cell Phones, Technology and Social Media

This year we have seen a big change in education with the new policies around cell phones. Please see the data below that we gathered from our staff and students about how this has impacted learning. Our students have been excellent in managing their cell phone use, please continue to encourage responsible cell phone use. Please see the attached letter from SVSD regarding an upcoming information session with Val Caldwell that will focus on Social Media Safety.

If you have any questions or concerns my email address is jmydynski@svsd.ca.

Thank you for your continued support and kindest regards,



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