# Silver Pines Parent POST Sept 15, 2023

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## **Upcoming Dates** September 20-21: Swan Lake Trip (Grade 2s) September 22: PA - No School for students September 26-27: Swan Lake Trip (Grade 4s) September 27 – School Council Nominations Forms Due September 29 - Orange Shirt Day September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation October 2 - Parent Council Meeting @ 7pm October 9 - Thanksgiving - No School October 12 - Meet the Teacher Night

# **Rosh Hashanah**

Rosh Hashanah is the Jewish New Year and literally translates as 'head of the year.' It begins a solemn ten-day period of contemplation and self-examination, called the Days of Awe, that ends with the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur. Rosh Hashanah is also known as the Day of Shofar Blowing, the Day of Remembrance, and the Day of Judgement. Rosh Hashanah is a two-day celebration. Many Jewish families gather for a special meal where blessings are recited over different symbolic dishes.

To all those celebrating Rosh Hashanah, we would like to wish you and your families a very happy celebration.

#### **Reporting Attendance**

Parents/guardians are asked to inform your child's school before 8:30am if your child is going to be absent or late to school. You can do so online by Edsby or calling 905-508-7303 option 1

#### Lunch Time Agreement

Students who leave school property for lunch must have parent/guardian permission, otherwise students must stay at school. The School Start-Up Permissions Form must be completed for all students and returned to the school.

Students are expected to stay at school during the lunch time hour unless signed out by a parent or given permission on the school start-up form. If you would like to arrange for your child to walk home for lunch, you must complete the appropriate board forms using the link below https://startupforms.vrdsb.ca/

Students are not permitted to sign themselves out for lunch or for any other reason. Please note that if you are dropping lunch off for your child, you can leave the lunch on the table outside of the office with your child's name on it. We will make every effort not to interrupt classes during instructional time. Food delivery services (e.g. UberEats, Skip the Dishes) will not be accepted. Students are reminded not to share food, utensils or drinks.

# End of Day - Early Pick-Ups

Though we encourage families to make appointments and other engagements outside of our school hours, we understand that sometimes this is not possible. To limit disruptions to end of day routines in classrooms, we ask that any early pick-ups be **completed by 2:30pm**. The last 30min of the school day is a busy time for students and staff who are engaged in many end of day activities, and we would like to limit any additional disruptions to the learning of all of our students during this time. As always, please try to inform the office **and** your child's teacher by email/Edsby ahead of time.

## School Start-Up Forms

Online Start-Up Forms have been shared by the YRDSB (https://startupforms.vrdsb.ca/) Student GAPPS login information

(<u>https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/</u>). **Student GAPPS login information** will be required for families to complete the forms. The form will include:

- The Start-Up Permission Form (mandatory)
- Student Information Consent Form (mandatory)
- Request for Faith Accommodations Form
- School Council Nomination Form (due September 27th)

## **School Council Meeting**

Families are encouraged to complete the school council nomination form as part of the school start-up forms. Our first School Council Meeting is on **Monday October 2<sup>nd</sup>**. All are welcome!!

# Terry Fox Run – Friday October 6

Please see attachment for details.