Alex Hope News



December 18, 2020 Newsletter #4

Generosity:

Thank you so very much for your generosity and donating to the local food bank. The support has been overwhelming and it is so very much appreciated. In addition, I want to thank the students and staff of Alex Hope for finding their own way to bring a smile to those who need it most. Students prepared cards, knitted and sang carols. Each of these items will be used to support those who need their spirits lifted.

Beethoven's 250th Celebration (Winter Sharing):

Great job students. It was amazing to see the creativity that was presented in our Winter Sharing Performances. A link was sent out this week to allow families to watch, at home, the creative talents of our Performing Arts classes. A huge thank you needs to go out to Ms. Cowie, who worked so hard to put this all together so that you could enjoy the performances and see our learning. We have heard there were a few glitches, and we are trying to find a different way to get this link to you so that everyone can access it. For those that have had the chance to view it, we hoped you enjoyed it as much as the students enjoyed performing.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays:

From the staff of Alex Hope to your family, we wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season. Though it will look a little different, we know that the spirit of the season is still there. So have a very Merry Christmas and we will see you on Tuesday, January 5th.



Report Cards:

Report Cards have been available since last Friday. We hope you have had an opportunity to read over these new, and very detailed reports. We are so proud of the learning that is taking place at Alex Hope.



Ways to Support at Home:

If you are looking for ways to continue the learning at home, we highly recommend taking a few minutes a day to read with or to your child. We have noticed a learning gap, as a result of the break in schooling back in March. Though students are quickly making up this gap, a little extra practice couldn't hurt.

If your child is just starting out, focus on letter sounds, and conversations around the pictures. Ask guiding questions prior to any reading so that your child can beginning to build theories about the story or page that the picture is describing.

If your child is beginning to read, allow time for students to use their strategies to figure out words. Ask "does that word make sense"? Help them chunk the word into manageable parts. Have them come up with theories about the story based on the pictures.

If your child is reading, please focus on the ability to make inferences. Have them make predictions and explain why they came to that conclusion. This is an area that is a challenge for many of our intermediate students.

We truly appreciate the time and effort you have put into supporting your child and working along-side the school to move learning forward.



Student, Staff, and Community Safety:



We would like to thank the Alex Hope community for working together with the school to help maintain a safe school environment. We have truly appreciated the extra care and diligence of our families. We ask that students make sure to take their masks home over the break and make sure they get washed! In addition, we ask that all families make sure they are familiar with the travel restrictions and the need to quarantine if travel is in your plans over the break. We will continue to put the health and safety of our school community at the forefront of any and all decisions. When students return from the break, our protocols will remain in place. Students will be expected to wash hands numerous times a day, sanitize upon entry (before school, recess and lunch), we will continue to encourage the use of masks, and masks will continue to be worn by our upper intermediate students in public spaces within our building. We ask that families physically distance when dropping off and picking up children. We will continue to strongly encourage the use of masks on school property. And a reminder that Alex Hope is a closed campus before and after school. Once you have dropped off/picked up, we do ask that you exit the school grounds as soon as possible.

Lost and Found:

The lost and found has started to grow again. Please take a look at the photos below. If you notice anything that should have come home, please contact the office. We will arrange for a time to pick up the found items and give them to you at the door.











Monday, January 18, 2021

All children who will be five years old by December 31, 2021 (children born in 2016) are eligible for the Kindergarten program beginning September 7, 2021.

Registration opens Monday, January 18, 2021 and will be open until Wednesday, March 31, 2021. All registration takes place at the school level.

For more information and instructions please contact your catchment school or use the QR code to visit the District webpage.

The following documents are required at the time of registration:

- Student proof of age (Birth Certificate or Passport),
- Parents proof of Canadian Citizenship or Permanent Resident Status (Canadian Birth Certificate, Canadian Citizenship Card, Canadian Passport, Secure Certificate of Indian Status [SCIS/Status Card], Permanent Resident Card, refugee documents from Immigration Canada), and
- Parents proof of residence (BC Driver's License, utility bill or mortgage papers, Property Tax Notice, subject-free purchase agreement — move in date within 6 months).











NORTH LANGLEY SOFTBALL WANTS TO OFFER YOU FREE REGISTRATION UNTIL 2021!

This is a great platform for athletes ages 5-19 who enjoy both the competitive and social aspects of softball. Focusing on further developing fundamental skills through positive instruction and encouragement. The program is best suited for girls who are willing to learn and want to have fun, but do not necessarily want the high pressure that goes along with elite level competition. While the practice and game schedules are not as intense as they are in the rep program, the overall experience is just as positive and rewarding.

We will contact you sometime in the new year regarding completing your registration and payment. We will have a better understanding of the policies and procedures that will be in place to get our kids on the field!

There is a team for EVERYONE!

SAVE YOUR SPOT NOW!

Go to the below link to register and if you have any questions pls email registrar@nlsoftball.ca

https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/249125





