
Simonds Elementary / U-Connect K-12

March 8, 2024



International Women's Day - March 8

Happy International Women's Day, which is celebrated all around the world today. On this special day, we are proud to celebrate the achievements of women and girls all over the world. As a society we are choosing equity and inclusion to celebrate women & girls, today and every day. Also, a special thanks to the women here in our Simonds and U-Connect community who are such positive, intelligent, creative leaders and role models. You make all our lives rich, and we are grateful for everything you are and everything you do. At school today our admin team brought coffee and treats to honour and acknowledge the great work of all the women on staff.



Jump Rope for Heart – Next Tuesday

Our school has raised \$2,150! Way to go Simonds and U-Connect Elementary! We have reached our first goal - \$2,000. We will have our school movie and popcorn day following Spring Break. Can we make it to our second goal of \$4,000 by March 31? Go to the QR Code to donate.



Get ready to get your hearts pumping and have some fun because Tuesday, March 12 is our Jump Event Day!

Here are three things we want you to remember:

- Please wear **RED** in support of the Heart & Stroke next Tuesday.
- Make sure to eat well and get a good night's sleep so you have lots of energy for our Jump Day!
- Bring a Toonie or Loonie to our Jump Rope for Heart event!

Reading Link Challenge

The Simonds' Monkeys were the winners in this year's Reading Link Challenge. The team of Norah, Brad, Tristan, Kdus, Aayush, and Rohm will go on to represent Simonds at the Langley Library Challenge on April 9th where they will compete against other Langley Schools. We wish the Simonds' Monkeys a fun and successful competition.

Reading Link Challenge (RLC) is an award-winning public library/school partnership program that promotes the "sport of reading." Librarians from FVRL work with school librarians and teachers to recruit teams of six students in grades 4 and 5. The program is a series of quiz/trivia challenges with questions based on six books. All teams participate in one or more levels of challenge, with the winning teams advancing to higher levels of competition within the community.



Glass Containers

If possible, we are asking families to limit sending **glass** food or drink containers to school with students. If they are accidentally dropped or get knocked, there is a higher likelihood of them cracking or breaking.

Simonds (Grade 4) Parent Survey

SIMONDS: STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY- PARENT VERSION

- Parents of children currently in GRADE 4 can complete the parent version of the student learning survey (use the direct access option- no logon required)
- The survey is currently open and runs until May 3rd
- <https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>

Adults on School Property

If you arrive on school property during the school day to pick up your child (*and you are not going to the Daycare or StrongStart*) please check-in directly at the office. Student safety is of utmost importance, and we need to know who is on school property at all times. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Snacks/Lunches

Please check your child's lunch to be sure there are plenty of options. We are having kids come to the office daily looking for extra snacks.

Upcoming Dates & Reminders

- Friday, March 15 – PAC Treat Day – after school – pre-sales for donuts plus same-day sales
- Friday, March 15 – Last day of school before Spring Break
- Tuesday, April 2 – First day back after Spring Break
 - o U-Connect Secondary – Twisted Tuesday

School Contact Information

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