



St. Elias Community School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Here are a few reminders of important dates to make note of in the upcoming few weeks.

Teacher Professional Development Day - Monday, May 8, 2017

We would like to remind parents and students that St. Elias Community School teachers will be having a Professional Development Day on **Monday May 8**. There will be no classes on Monday. SECS staff and School Council members will participate in a Yukon First Nations (YFN) 101 course that was developed by Yukon College and will be facilitated by Tosh Southwick and Rose Kushniruk. Students will attend regular classes on **Tuesday May 9, 2017**.

Experiences Canada Exchange Trip:

This week has been full of fun and enriching activities for our exchange trip students and their guests from Elmvale Ontario. The week has been full of hiking, biking, glacier flights, and cultural activities. We bid a fond farewell to our guests Saturday evening as they return home. We hope you have enjoyed visiting our wonderful community of Haines Junction, and the Traditional Territory of Champagne & Aishihik First Nations.

From **May 14-20, 2017**, SECS exchange trip students will be travelling to Ontario to enjoy a week of fun and exciting activities with our Elmvale hosts.

TD Canadian Children's Book Author:

Emil Sher, Canadian Children's author will be here on **Tuesday, May 9, 2017** as part of National Book Week. Mr. Sher is an award-winning children's author and highly recommended school presenter and will be speaking to our Grades 3-7 students **starting at 8:31am**. Mr. Sher's readings are sponsored by Canada Council and Yukon Education. More information regarding Mr. Sher can be found at <http://bookweek.ca/emil-sher>.

Privacy Awareness Presentation:

The Grade 5/6 and 6/7 students will participate in a Youth On-Line Privacy and Safety Awareness session on **Wednesday May 10, 2017**. This session is facilitated by staff from the Information and Privacy Commissioner's office. The aim of the sessions is to raise awareness among students in Grades 6 and 7 about the need to protect their online privacy.

Have a great weekend!