Dear Parents and Guardians;

Thank you everyone who supported our Cops for Cancer Bottle Drive this past weekend. Though the weather was not great, the students’ spirit was high and the community support was tremendous resulting in the most successful bottle drive in our school’s Cops for Cancer history. Thank you again.

A couple of reminders for you:

**Orange Shirt Day:** Tomorrow, September 30th, is Orange Shirt day and we are encouraging all staff and students to please wear orange to honour the Indigenous children who were sent away to residential schools in Canada and to learn more about the history of those schools. For more into about the origins of Orange Shirt day, click here: <https://www.ictinc.ca/blog/what-is-orange-shirt-day>

**Cops for Cancer Update:** The tour riders are arriving at Oak Bay this Friday, October 2nd, in the morning. Unfortunately we are not able to hold our traditional assembly where we recognize the outstanding job the riders have done to bring awareness to this cause. We will still acknowledge the riders but in a much smaller, COVID19-safe way. It is at this time that we will be presenting a cheque representing our fundraising total for this year. You can still support our fundraising over these next few days in a few ways:

1)      Support our online auction which can be found at [www.32auctions.com/OBC4C2020](http://www.32auctions.com/OBC4C2020). Great deals to be had! For example, are you the parent of a grade 12? See the grad photo package ($340 value) currently going for just over $100. Or get a night at the Inn at the Laurel Point, or numerous gift cards. So, so many deals to be found.

2)      Make a donation directly to the school using this link  <https://sd61.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/24831/140/False/True>

3)   Purchase a Cops 4 Cancer COVID19 mask. Masks will be for sale outside the main entrance during lunch all this week. Masks are $15 each. Please remember to practice physical distancing when in line to purchase a mask.

Thanks

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