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TO: Parents/Guardians

RE: **Additional 2015 New Curriculum Implementation Days**

This communication is being provided on behalf of School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) and the Comox District Teachers' Association (CDTA).

On September 28, 2015, the BC Teachers' Federation (BCTF) and the Ministry of Education announced a three-year support plan for the new K-12 curriculum. As part of that plan, there will be targeted time and funding for teachers to support implementation of the new curriculum. The time provided for this work will see two additional non-instructional days (NIDs) added to the 2015-16 school calendar, and one additional NID added to each of the following two years. In addition to this, we have been provided with the equivalent funding for thirty-five teacher release days to provide guidance and leadership in support of the implementation of the new curriculum.

Senior Management and the CDTA have met and, after receiving feedback from teachers and parents, **it has been decided that the two additional NIDs for this year will be as follows:**

- **Thursday, February 25, 2016, and**
- **Friday, May 20, 2016**

Information about the days in years two and three will be decided at a later date.

Respectfully,



Nick Moore, President
Comox District Teachers Association (CDTA)



Tom Demeo
Acting Superintendent of Schools

