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To Local 5523 friends,

I want to reach out to as many members as possible with important updates.

- I am hoping that at our next general meeting (May 6) we will have updated information on benefits to have our vote. We are waiting for BCPSEA to send back our new Collective Agreement for myself and Employer to proofread hopefully last time. Once finalized the Collective Agreement will be circulated by email, posted on the District and CUPE 5523 websites and a few paper copies will be available.
- Please contact me directly when you have had an error occur on your pay statement. I am trying to assist members if necessary and track issues to help improve the system.
- Employees who do not have benefits yet are entitled to 5 – sick days / calendar year. Please contact me (by email) if you were ill and did not receive sick pay.
- Employees that have not used their Floater Day yet if entitled to one, can use their day on May 15 or June 30 if you are unable to book at another time. Do not lose it.
- I am presently in discussions with our District and looking at other Districts that have a job share program for workers. Please email me if you would consider working a job share assignment if it were available.
- Please contact me if you receive a letter or form regarding a “Work Recovery Program.” The one form to take to your doctor is called a "Functional Abilities Form" FAF. This is a new program in discussions with the district that I do not support at this time.
- At the end of the school year there is a social event at Paddlewheel Park in June that includes burgers, hot dogs, snacks, and a cash bar. This event is sponsored by the Employer, VTA and CUPE. It is a time to socialize with your school staff and others around the district. I would appreciate a response indicating if you would participate in this event. Also, contact your shop steward or me if you have any suggestions for a social or wellness event for CUPE 5523 members (including families).

- Last on the list is daycare. Please contact me if you would like to attend general meetings if daycare is provided. We would use our EA'S or ECE's to provide the service at VSS while you were attending the meeting.

For those that are off in the coming weeks enjoy your Spring Break.

See everyone at our next General meeting at VSS, a pancake breakfast will be provided.

In Solidarity,



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I respectfully acknowledge that I live, learn, and work on this beautiful sacred land, the ancestral, unceded territory of the Syilx (Okanagan Peoples).