ONLINE COMMUNICATION / CONSENT via Parent Connect

Hello Monterey Parents and Guardians,

Consent is required for use of digital/online tools used in classrooms for data privacy reasons. Our school district has created a way to provide consent using an online platform called *Parent Connect*. Consent rolls over each year, meaning that parents/guardians of students in grades K-8 do not have to actively consent to each digital tool or form each year. Parents/guardians are encouraged to review consent items on an annual basis by logging into Parent Connect. For more information about signup and use of Parent Connect, please visit <u>https://www.sd61.bc.ca/parent-student-resources/parent-connect</u>

NOTE: there is a Translate option in the main menu in Parent Connect

FIRST TIME USERS: Sign up for *Parent Connect*, by going to <u>parentconnect.sd61.bc.ca</u> and clicking "Create an Account".

Note: The information used to create an account and verify your information comes directly from the contact information we have on file. If the information is outdated, you will need to contact the office to ensure all data is up-to-date.

RETURNING USERS: Go to <u>parentconnect.sd61.bc.ca</u> and clicking "SIGN IN".

After signing up, you will see on the homepage that there may be digital/online tools for you to consider reviewing and granting consent or denying consent after reading the information regarding student data privacy. Anytime a new item is added you will be sent a notification to the email with which you signed up. If you deny consent for an item, please speak with your child's teacher and/or an administrator at the school for accommodations when the digital/online tool is being used.

Thank you for your efforts in helping us streamline consents through this platform. If you do not have access to technology at home, please ask the office staff for a paper copy that can be signed and returned.