

OCTOBER

Fairview Community School News

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Principal's Message: Happy Thanksgiving

Dear Families,

I would like to send the most gracious "Thank you" to all our students and their family/caregivers for your patience and understanding as we navigated the return to school during the pandemic.

I can't believe that it's October already and just about time for Parent Teacher Conferences. We look forward to virtually meeting all parents/guardians for Open House and sharing student learning during the Parent- Teacher Conference Week, albeit, it will look much different this year. We will be sending out information in the upcoming weeks to let you know the dates/times of the virtual/telephone meeting. If you are unable to attend, remember that you can contact your child's teachers any time during the year if you have questions or information to share regarding your child's progress. We appreciate and thank you for your partnership.

Thank you, Colette Young

Principal

SCHOOL HOURS

Monday - Friday:

8:42 am	Welcome Bell
8:45 am	Morning Instruction Begins
10:15 am	Short Recess - outside play
10:30 am	Instruction Continues
11:45 am	Long Recess - outside play
12:20 pm	Welcome Back Bell - Lunch/Read
2:25 pm	Classes Dismiss for the Day

Strong Start: Online Beginning Oct. 5

Office Hours: 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Save the Date!

Please check out all of our celebrations and events on our website: <https://fv.schoolsweb.sd68.bc.ca/>

October

5-	Strong Start goes virtual
8-	Picture Day
8-	Teacher Appreciation Day
9-	No School -Pro-D for staff
12-	Happy Thanksgiving- No School
15-	Shake Out BC
16-	Munch-a-lunch
19-	PAC Meeting
19-22-	Parent Teacher Conferences
23-	No School- Non-Instructional Day

Connecting with Families

Open House or Meet the Teacher Night will look different this year. Here are ways your child's teacher may connect with families:

- create a video or take photos and send via email
- Live Microsoft Teams Chat
- Create an Interactive Classroom (Google Slide) send via email or share in google classroom
- Fresh Grade post and share with all families
- Newsletter and send a hard copy home and/or email

October is Fire Safety and Prevention Month.

Please speak about fire/earthquake safety procedures with your children. Discuss what you can do at home to encourage fire/earthquake safety, such as creating evacuation routes and holding practice drills. Fairview students and staff will participate, again this year, in the Great British Columbia Shake Out with thousands of Canadians on October 15th at 10:00am. Please see some earthquake safety tips below.

PAC News- Please join Fairview parents at the next PAC meeting which is set for October 19 from 6:30pm until 7:30pm. PAC will provide a Zoom link on their Facebook page.

Munch a lunch- It's that time of year again to order online Munch-a-lunch. PAC will be notifying families of ordering procedures and the first order will take place on October 16th with Panago Pizza. 😊

Nut Aware/ Scent Free- Reminder that Fairview is a nut aware and scent free school. Thank you for helping to keep our students and staff safe and healthy.

Smoking- Just a reminder that smoking is not permitted on any School District 68 property. Thank you for considering the health and safety of our children.

Animals in School Settings- Animals, including all pets, should not be kept or brought onto school properties, into schools or district facilities. The presence of animals presents many problems which include safety and liability issues. It is strongly encouraged that any animals found inside a school or district facility or on school grounds be removed immediately. Thank you again for keeping our schools safe.

Provincial Election- The Premier is calling for a **fall election** set for Saturday, October 24, 2020. Fairview School will be used as a polling station. More information to follow.

Strong Start

Exciting news, Strong Start is going virtual on October 5! It is one site where any family in our NLPS community can view all of the efforts and talents of our SS educators. Please logon and celebrate learning with your little ones.

Terry Fox Run

Our annual Terry Fox Run was a great success. Classes ran in cohorts this year. No pandemic was going to stop us from supporting Cancer Research. Thank you to Mrs. Keen and her students for taking the lead but mostly, THANK YOU, FV students, parents and staff for contributing to Cancer Research.

Orange Shirt Day

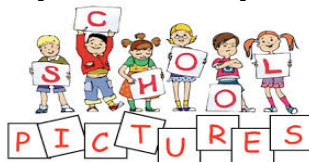
Thank you to all who honoured our residential school survivors on Orange Shirt Day. Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in the spring of 2013. It grew out of [Phyllis' story](#) of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.

Orange Shirt Day is also an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

Photo Day

Individual photos will be taken in a "contactless" manner on Thursday, October 8th.

After Picture Day, order pictures on mylifetouch.ca using your Portrait ID and Access Code which can be found on your Picture Day order form.



Country Grocer Receipts

Please remember to send in all receipts with your child. For every \$1000 in receipts collected, our PAC receives a \$10 gift card. Last year the money was used to purchase food for celebrations throughout the year.

Check out **Fairview's first day of school on the district's website**. If you click on the main photo, it will take you to some other photos as well. www.sd68.bc.ca Welcome back, everyone!

Paying and Signing Forms Online is Fast and Easy

Paying school fees and signing school forms online is fast and easy and can be done from any computer or smartphone.

1. **Create Your Profile:** Go to <https://nlps.schoolcashionline.com> and click on "Register" and fill in all appropriate fields.
2. **Confirm Your Email:** Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside. Sign in with your new login details.
3. **Add a Student:** Click "Add Student" and fill in the required fields with your child's details.

More information and instructions on how to sign up and use School Cash Online are available here <https://www.sd68.bc.ca/schoolcashionline/>. If you are unable to log-in, there is a link on the bottom right hand side of the sign-in page that has support for parents and a phone number to call. The number is 1 866 961 1803.

Earthquake Safety

Step 1:

[Secure your space](#) by identifying hazards and securing moveable items.



Step 2:

[Plan to be safe](#) by creating a disaster plan and deciding how you will communicate in an emergency.



Step 3:

[Organize disaster supplies](#) in convenient locations.



Step 4:

[Minimize financial hardship](#) by organizing important documents, strengthening your property, and considering insurance.



Step 5:

[Drop, Cover, and Hold On](#) when the earth shakes.



Step 6:

[Improve safety](#) after earthquakes by evacuating if necessary, helping the injured, and preventing further injuries or damage.



Step 7:

[Reconnect and Restore](#)

Restore daily life by reconnecting with others, repairing damage, and rebuilding community.

