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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

It's hard to believe that December is already upon us. We have many special events and activities planned including the Turkey dinner for students, the Door Decorating Competition, and our annual WINTER Concert. Please review the school calendar and student planners as December is a busy month. Enjoy the holiday with your families. I would like to extend warm wishes to everyone this Christmas Season.

All the best,

Mrs. Young



Save the Date!

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

December 1- Door Decorating Competition Continues

December 4- WRAP Day (check planners as it dates vary for classes)

December 7- Door Judging

Dec 17-21- Christmas Hat Week

December 17- PAC Meeting

December 18- Ugly Christmas Sweater Day/ Turkey Dinner

December 20- Winter Concert 12:30pm/6pm

December 21- Last Day before Holidays/ PJ Day

December 24- Jan. 6- Christmas Break

Jan 7- Return to School

*Please refer to your child's agenda as each class has their own special activities/field trips throughout the month as well.

PAC MEETING

Please join us for our regular PAC meeting on December 17 from 6:30pm until 7:30pm. Child minding and pizza are provided.

DOOR DECORATING COMPETITION

Please stay tuned for the January edition of the newsletter to see which class wins the door decorating competition. The classes will be competing from now until December 7th. Check out all of the creative doors. Wow, our students are extremely talented!

WETTER, COLDER DAYS APPROACHING

West Coast weather is always a factor in Nanaimo. Still, at Fairview, we strive to give students fresh air and exercise daily during long recess. Please make sure your children come with coats (not fabric hoodies), hats, umbrellas and boots for the rainy, cold weather to ensure they are warm and can have fun while they play. Thanks so much.

CAROLING

Please join us each morning before BOUNCE at 8:45am as we sing carols and celebrate the holiday season.

BASKET RAFFLE

The Intermediate Leadership students will be selling tickets beginning December 10th and the draw will be held on the evening of the Christmas concert, December 20. Tickets are .50 cents and the baskets range from baskets of kitchen gadgets to baskets of games. Thank you to all who donated. ©

PURDY'S FUNDRAISER

Thank you everyone that participated in the Purdy's fundraiser. Orders may be picked up in the school library on December 14^{th} between 2pm - 3:30pm. Thank you to Alexandra Nay and PAC for making this fundraiser available for another year.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Formal report cards will be issued **February 1**, **2019**. Teachers have been, and will continue to **Ongoing Communicate Student Learning** (OCSL) to you in a variety of ways through work samples sent home in paper form or electronically, or Celebrations of Learning. Our teachers have been working very hard together to create templates and samples of student learning that will clearly inform you of your students ongoing progress and achievement at school.

Remember, in OCSL you can expect to see 1) Learning Outcomes (curricular competencies) that the students are practicing, 2) descriptive feedback from teachers regarding student work, 3) student self-reflection, 4) real-time samples of everyday work.

MERRY CHRISTMAS WINTER 2018

WINTER CONCERT

It is hard to believe that the Winter concert is only a couple weeks away. Please join us @ 12:30pm or 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 20th (10am-dress rehearsal). We invite all who can't make it to the evening show, to come to the afternoon show. Our children are excited to share their talent.

SUNSHINE CLOTHES STORE

Thank you to Mr. Cradock and Div. 10 for organizing and running the Sunshine Clothes Store. I had so many students showing me their purchases and sharing kind acts with me. What a wonderful way to reach out and support our students!

STUDENT TURKEY DINNER

Thank you to Barsby students and staff for inviting FV students and staff to a winter wonderland and turkey dinner on December 18th. We are looking forward to a wonderful meal and maybe even a special treat from a surprise guest!

SCHOOL CLOSURES

If schools are closed due to snow, or any other weather-related problems, announcements will be made on local radio stations (WOLF 106.9 FM, WAVE 102.3 FM, and 91.7 COAST FM) by 7 a.m. on the day of the closure. Please do not call the radio station – tune in and listen for the announcements, which will be made on a regular basis.

In addition, the district will post the information on the district's website, Twitter, Facebook and mobile app. Please keep in mind, however, that there may be situations where this is not always possible, for example, power outages or technical problems. The most reliable method is to listen to the local radio stations.

Happy Holidays from

our Fairview Staff to all families.