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Fairview Community School News

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<u>Strong Start:</u> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	
Monday to Friday	
<u>Office Hours:</u> 8:30 am - 3:00 pm	

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

It's October already and we look forward to meeting all parents/guardians and sharing student learning during the Parent- Teacher Conference Week. Conferences will begin the third week of this month (Oct. 21-24). If your child's teacher has not scheduled a conference with you, you should receive an invitation soon. Once your meeting is scheduled, please make every effort to remember the conference date and time. The teachers are working very hard to accommodate the needs of all families. 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 all for your partnership.

Thank you, Colette Young

Principal

Save the Date!

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

3- Picture Day

8- Teacher Appreciation Day

9-Souper Wednesday

11- No School – Pro-D for staff

14- Happy Thanksgiving- No School

17- Shake Out BC

18-Gr. 6 Immunization

21-24- Parent Teacher Interview Week – Early Dismissal 1:37pm Monday, T-Th- 1:17pm dismissal

25- No School –Pro-D for staff

29- Cross Country Zone

30- TIC TOC Presentation

31- Halloween

Open House

Again, we wish to thank all parents/guardians who were able to join us for our annual Open House. The evening provided parents/guardians with the opportunity to tour the school and share some of their child's learning. <u>We had an amazing turn out!</u>

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 17th 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 21 from 6:30pm until 7:30pm. Child minding and pizza is always available.

Movie Night- Please join the PAC for the November 1st movie night. Doors open at 6:00pm and the movie will run from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Concession will be open.

Munch a lunch- It's that time of year again to order online Munch-a-lunch. PAC will be notifying families of ordering procedures. Mark your calendars for the upcoming Munch-a-lunch dates: Panago on Oct. 18, Sushi on Nov. 22 and Pita on Dec. 13

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.

Federal Election- Fairview school will be used as a polling station on October 21. Please remind your children about strangers around the building as we will have increased traffic around the school that day.

Souper Wednesdays- Our first Souper Wednesday will be October 9. PAC is searching for volunteers for Souper Wednesdays. Please contact the PAC Chair at <u>fairviewpac@gmail.com</u>, if you are interested in volunteering.

Strong Start

StrongStart Centres are mostly open when schools are open:

- January 7th—centres re-open after Winter Break
- June 26th—last day for families

StrongStart Centres are closed (Please sign up for the NLPS app for notifications of closures)

- Professional Days
- November 1 Meeting/in-service
- Dec 2- Meeting/in-service
- Jan 31—Meeting/in-service
- April 3—Meeting/in-service
- June 1-Meeting/in-service

Terry Fox Run

Our annual Terry Fox Run was a great success. Thank you to Mrs. Keen and her students for presenting and taking the lead. Thank you to the parents who helped monitor students, but mostly, THANK YOU, FV students, parents and staff for contributing to the Cancer Research.

Orange Shirt Day

Thank you to all who joined us in honouring our residential school survivors on Orange Shirt Day. We were happy to host Elder Louise White who shared her story with our community of learners. 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 <u>Phyllis' story</u> 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.

Reminder: Parent Volunteers/Drivers

We welcome all parents to share in their child's education through volunteering and driving for sports or field trips. District policy requires volunteers to have a criminal record check and all drivers must have a criminal record check as well as a driver's abstract prior to driving our children or volunteering in our classes.

Please use the following web address to complete and submit the form for your criminal record check to become a school volunteer: <u>https://justice.gov.bc.ca/eCRC/home.htm</u> You will be prompted for the NLPS access code which is as follows: Access Code: UQ4T7XXBHE

Country Grocer Receipts

Please remember to drop off all receipts to the box on the office counter. 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.

Grade 6 Immunization

Watch for immunization consent packages for grade 6 students that will be sent home early in the fall. Students in grade 6 will be offered immunizations in school-based clinics with the consent of a parent(s), guardian or representative. Please contact the local Health Unit at 250-755-3388 and ask to speak with a Public Health Nurse if you have any questions.

Popcorn Sales

Sales start next Friday at big recess: \$2.25. All proceeds go towards Grade 7 field trips. This week's flavours are: Buttersalt, Creamy Caramel, Salt & Vinegar, Say Cheese Cheese, White Cheddar, Ketchup, and Dill Pickle

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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 4:

Step 3:

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.



Reconnect and Restore

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











