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Fairview News

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Principal's Message

Welcome to 2021! As the New Year begins it reminds us of new beginnings and opportunities for happiness, joy and prosperity. We have many great activities and opportunities for students to explore for the remainder of the school year. Our hope is that each student develops at least a few new ideas and thoughts that will enhance their lives and those around them. Wishing you health, happiness and love.

All the best,
Mrs. Young

Rainbows

Rainbows (CYFSW led)- Rainbows is dedicated to being the premier source of support for all children as they navigate grief and heal from loss whether from death, divorce, separation, deployment, incarceration, foster care, or other trauma. Rainbows For All Children in Canada, fosters awareness that children and youth require support to heal.

If your child is experiencing loss, please contact Maria (CYFSW) at maria.aria@sd68.bc.ca and she will add your child to the list.

Everyone Deserves a Smile

Our school hosted an outreach project through Everybody Deserves a Smile (EDAS) this holiday season. Every student decorated an envelope and created heartfelt cards. The grade 6/7 students filled 500 envelopes with woolen socks, soap, hand sanitizer, a toothbrush/paste and freshly baked cookies. These care packages were delivered by the Fairview staff to local shelters and soup kitchens. Thank you to all of the students, staff and parents who contributed to these packages; they were made with love and kindness, and brought smiles to homeless people living in Nanaimo. A special thank you to Ms. Renneberg who brought this project to Fairview. You have inspired us to continue to spread love and goodwill in our community. Please celebrate and enjoy Fairview's message of hope:

<https://youtu.be/SmHv6W9W4ak>

Colouring Contest

Congratulations to the winners of the PAC colouring contest. All colouring sheets were placed in bins and 4 sheets were drawn from the primary bin and 4 sheets from the intermediate bin. Congratulations to Yordanos, Shoni, Christoph, Alexis, Davina, Malakai, Chloe and Krish. They were thrilled to receive a \$25 gift card from our thoughtful PAC members. THANK YOU so much PAC! You treat us so well.

Save the Date!

Jan. 4 - School Reopens
Jan. 18 - PAC Meeting
Jan. 25-29 - Literacy Week

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



PAC Meetings

Please join us for our next virtual PAC meeting on **January 18 from 7pm until 8pm**. Our PAC chair will post the link on the PAC facebook page prior to the meeting. ☺ **Upcoming meeting dates: February 22, April 19, May 17 and June 14**

Door Decorating Competition

Congratulations to all the classes that participated in the door decorating competition and thank you to PAC for giving such thoughtful prizes. These doors and in some cases walls, really helped to get everyone in the Christmas/ Holiday spirit. As is usually the case every year, it was hard to decide the winners as there were so many great doors.

Well done! **In the spirit of giving, the classes decided to share the PAC gift equally between all classes. I must say... Fairview students and staff and their generous spirit never cease to amaze me!**

Primary Doors



StrongStart- Live Virtual Circle Times

Live Virtual Circle Times for you and your child are beginning **January 13th, 2021** via Microsoft Teams. Join us in songs, stories, games, and much more.

Wednesdays & Fridays from 9:30-10:00 and 10:30-11:00.

Register your child for StrongStart: <https://www.sd68.bc.ca/strongstart-early-learning-centre/>
RSVP to earlyyears@sd68.bc.ca by Monday 4:00 pm each week to receive the links for the week.

Safe Arrival

Daily attendance is a proven factor for success in school, however, if ***your child is ill or unable to attend school on that day, please call the office by 9:00am***. We also ask that your child **arrive at school after 8:25 am** unless there is a specific school reason to be here earlier. Our morning supervision begins at 8:25 am and we want to ensure that the students are safe. If your child arrives after 8:45 am, please have them **sign in at the front of the school** with the supervision aid. If they arrive after 9:20am and there is no supervisor, please call the office and we will make sure your child gets to class safely. Thank you for understanding.

Primary Doors continued...



A SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT GRADE 8 REGISTRATIONS

Grade 7 students are automatically registered and scheduled at Nanaimo District Secondary for Grade 8, as NDSS is our catchment high school. There is no need to apply to NDSS as this is automatically taken care of for your child. Students wishing to transfer to a secondary school other than our catchment area high school, should notify their Principal and Grade 7 teacher and apply online here: [Student Online Registration](#) If you are interested in applying for one of our District Secondary Academies, please visit our website for more information here: [District Secondary Academies](#) Registration for the 2021-2022 school year opens on Wednesday, January 6th, 2021.

Intermediate Doors



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.

Intermediate Doors Continued...



Happy New Year from our Fairview Family to yours!