

Newsletter - March 2019



**FRANK HOBBS
ELEMENTARY**

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Cross Country

Spring Cross Country will start after Spring Break. It is a short season and we will be practicing Wednesday and Friday mornings at 8:15. There will be 2 or 3 Meets without a Final and we will be given information about it soon. Enjoy your break and get outside for a few practice runs.



March 15th Report Cards
Go Home

Spring Break

Last day of school is Friday March 15, 2019
Returning Monday
April 1st 2019



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Important Dates

03/6	Ready Set Learn 4-5 pm
03/15	Last Day before Spring break
03/15	Report Cards Go Home
03/18-29	Spring Break
04/1	First Day Back to School
04/12	Pro-D Day—No School
04/15-18	Scholastic Book Fair
04/17-18	Early Dismissal @ 11:50 am



Updates Active and Safe Routes to School

There are a few updates with our parents about our participation in Active and Safe Routes to School:

Following our community walkabout Kate from the CRD is drafting an Action Plan and will work with the District of Saanich and the School District to follow up on the conversations we had that day. Then she will schedule a meeting with Jennifer Cox, Vice-Principal, to review it. Kate from the CRD would also like to attend the next PAC meeting to review the draft Action Plan, Best Routes map and other activities.

Kate has provided some links to Community information (see attached sheet) that you might find useful.

Saanich Active and Safe Routes to School provides plans and maps for schools that previously completed the program

<https://www.saanich.ca/EN/main/community/getting-around/walking/safe-routes-to-school.html>

Speed reports Saanich Police provides Speed Reader Board Reports

<https://www.saanichpolice.ca/index.php/public-information/neighbourhood-speed-reports>

Saanich Police driving complaints:

<https://www.saanichpolice.ca/index.php/driving-complaints>

Please feel free to contact Kate at the CRD if you have any questions or concerns.

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Spring Break





With the Active and Safe Routes to School program in mind, we would like to remind drivers about pick up/drop off etiquette at Frank Hobbs.

Please be aware of the following:

- Keep moving! Don't stop to wait for your child because it blocks other cars from moving. If your child is not at the pick-up spot, go around the loop and try again. Please be respectful to fellow parents.
- Single file only absolutely no passing. Passing obscures your vision and with children
- running in and out of cars, that is not acceptable.
- No blocking the entry to the school drive through "loop".
- Absolutely no parking in fire lane, teachers' spots or the handicap spot to wait for a student.
- Please don't look at your phone. Aside from it being illegal, you should be paying attention to movement in the traffic flow and aware of children moving about the vehicles.
- Try dropping your child off slightly earlier. Morning congestion occurs between 8:45 and 8:50. If you arrive 5-10 minutes earlier, you will find it goes much quicker and easier.
- Please consider dropping off at Maynard and Hobbs and have them take the pathway to school. It's a short and pleasant walk and allows your child to get a bit of exercise before settling in for the school day.
- Please be respectful to our neighbors. Do not block roadways, particularly when turning left into the drive though "loop" at pick up and drive through.



Frank Hobbs Elementary School

3875 Haro Road Victoria, BC V8N 4A6

Wednesday, March 6th from 4:00—5:00 pm

Ready * Set * Learn

This is a special event for parents and 3/4 year old's. Please note: this is **not** intended for children attending

Kindergarten the fall of 2019.

Please arrange child care for older and younger siblings.

Ready, Set, Learn is all about fostering positive connections between families, the school system and local community agencies. It answers questions on how to prepare your child for school.

**Please be sure to register so everyone
will receive a goodie bag.**

**R.S.V.P. by email frankhobbs@sd61.bc.ca
or telephone 250-477-1804**

We look forward to seeing you!



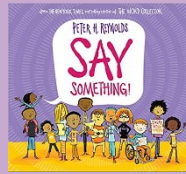
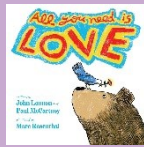
LLC News



March

Kindness is the greatest gift!

Frank Hobbs has been focusing on the virtue of *kindness*. Come and check out some of the wonderful books about kindness in the LLC!



Images Courtesy of amazon.com and ew.com,

Supplies needed! If you are planning on doing any Spring cleaning, please consider donating any unwanted materials to the LLC! We are always looking for various craft supplies, unique shaped boxes, string, duct tape, metal bottle caps (non-alcoholic), containers, lego, Kinex, and other building materials. There will be a bin outside of the LLC for any donations to go into. Thank you for your ongoing support to the LLC program!

Scholastic Book Fair: The Frank Hobbs LLC will be holding a *Scholastic Book Fair* from **April 15-18**. We are very excited to be having the fair this year, as it always brings in lots of new, updated, and exciting reading materials for everyone! We are looking for some parent volunteers to help out at various times throughout the day (including after school). **If you are interested in volunteering, please contact**

Ms. Mac at nmcilmoyle@sd61.bc.ca. Thanks!





Welcome to the 21st century library:



Saturday March 9 at UVIC

**From analogue to digital 10:00–2:00 PM | MEARNS CENTRE FOR
LEARNING – MCPHERSON LIBRARY**

Modern university libraries offer much more than just books. Discover the 21st century library at this all-ages, family friendly event. Activities include a chance to try an Oculus Rift 3D headset (ages 13+), 3D printing demos, children's book making activities and a technology petting zoo. There's also the chance to see rare pop-up books from Special Collections and meet the digital forensic experts who can recover files from your old floppy disks.

The event is free and open to the public, with no registration required.

