



Frank Hobbs Elementary Newsletter

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PRO D Day

Friday, February 14, 2020

No School for Students

our
school
rocks



FAMILY DAY

NO SCHOOL

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH



Pro D Day



SIGN IN AT THE OFFICE!!

Please remember when your child arrives late to school, you must sign in at the office.

If you take your child home early, you must sign out at the office.



Grade 6 Late French Immersion

Students in Grade 5 who would like to register for Late French Immersion, please apply at Arbutus Middle School.

January 27-31st 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Remember to bring all the proper documents with you when registering.

Any questions, please contact
Arbutus Middle School

Shauna Johnson 250-477-1878
or email her at shjohnson@sd61.bc.ca





SKATING TRIP



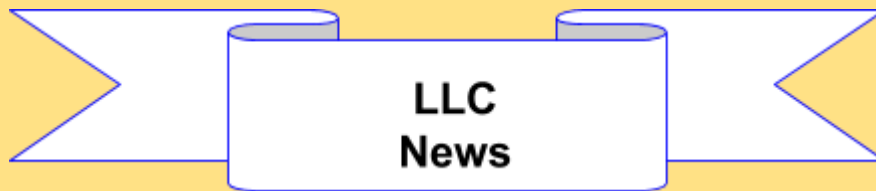
Just a friendly reminder that many of our students will be attending Oak Bay Recreation Center for Skating.

Monday, February 3rd - Grade 4/5
(Div 1,2,3,4,5)

Tuesday, February 4th Grade 2/3
(Div 7,8,9)

Friday, February 7th Grade 1/2
(Div 10 & 12)





Frank Hobbs Library Learning Commons

February

Story Studio

At Frank Hobbs, we have started to introduce our Story Studio to some of the classes. Using various loose parts, students have shown their learning by creating story mats with moving pieces. They have orally shared their stories with peers and adults in the room. The Story Studio is a place where all students can explore, learn, and share their stories with others. We are excited to continue our Story Studio journey!

We are looking for Loose Parts to add into our Story Studio:

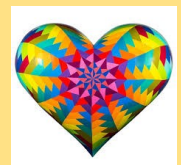
If you have any of the following materials at home to donate to our Story Studio, please drop them off in the "LLC Donations" box outside of the LLC.

Some ideas for our loose parts: buttons, baskets, gems and jewels, decorative scarves and placemats, shells, rocks, wooden discs, wooden people, and a variety of natural materials,

What is a [story studio](#)? Check out this [article](#) about two schools in Delta that have been providing some amazing learning opportunities for their students to explore, create, and share what they know.

Kindness:

We are focusing on the theme of kindness this month in the LLC. Books, photos, interactive activities, Random and Acts of Kindness, and other resources will be available for students to explore throughout this month.



Check out the [SD#61 E Library site](#). There are many fantastic online sites/links to support learning at home!

Dance Club

Primary (Grade 2 & 3)

Intermediate (Grade 4 & 5)

We are super excited for another amazing year of dance at Frank Hobbs.

Both dance clubs will get the opportunity to perform at the Greater Victoria Dance Festival!

Performances will be April 28-30 at UVIC.

More information will be sent out later in the month.



Thank you PAC for your continued support!

Anette Martens — Dance Teacher

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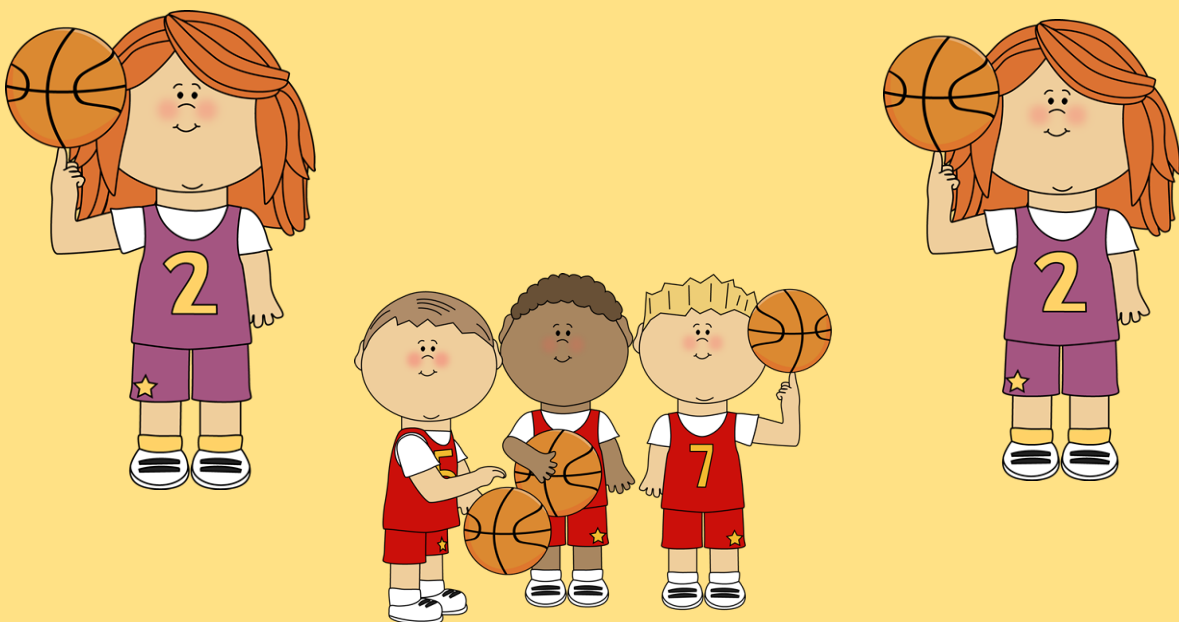
Frank Hobbs Basketball !!

Mr. Ellison & Mr. Shortt have started lunch time Girls and Boys Basketball. The focus is on Skills and Drills with some in-house games to follow later in the month.

Grade 4 & 5 only!

Boys - Mondays at Lunch

Girls - Tuesday at Lunch



PINK SHIRT DAY

bullying stops here

PINK SHIRT DAY!

Thursday, FEBRUARY 27, 2020

Pink Shirt Day is the day we bring more awareness to the issue of bullying in our schools and workplaces.

We encourage everyone to wear pink on Thursday, Feb. 27th.

We here at Frank Hobbs know the importance of kindness and respect that is to be shown not just on one day of the year.

It's COLD and FLU Season!

It's that time of year again. The custodians are spraying off the desktops and chairs. The tower of surplus tissue boxes in the corner of the room is rapidly shrinking. The classroom instruction is being accompanied by a chorus of coughing. Yes, it's here. Cold and flu season has made its way into your child's classroom.

Please remind your child of these important habits:

- Frequently hand washing
- Practicing other good hygiene habits (avoiding touching face/eyes/mouth with hands, and covering one's mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing, ideally with a disposable tissue or the crease of the elbow)
- Cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched workspace surfaces
- Maintaining good general health (balance diet, getting adequate sleep, exercising in moderation)
- Staying home when sick



FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Dear parents/guardians,

As the Greater Victoria School District starts preparing the 2020-2021 budget, it is seeking input to develop a budget that reflects the needs of its learning community. The District is asking parents, staff, students and educational partners, how they can prioritize areas to support student success for all.

The District has launched an online engagement where participants can share their thoughts on budget priorities, view the ideas of others, and rate all ideas as they are posted in real-time.

To join the conversation visit:

<https://my.thoughtexchange.com/scroll/505170349>

The online forum will close on February 5, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. All input provided will be presented at the February 10, 2020, Operations Policy and Planning Committee Meeting, and posted on the District website. The input received will be used to guide decision making for the 2020-2021 budget process.

Annual budget development allows an understanding of current investment in areas of success for students: literacy, numeracy, health and well-being and the path to reconciliation, while at the same time identifying areas of opportunity and emerging need to advance student success. In a complex organization, there are always compelling imperatives: climate emergency, diverse student passion and giftedness, growing enrolment, updated seismic ratings and aging infrastructure. Adding to the complexity, 2020-2021 will see a new funding model implemented in each school district in BC, as well as the District's implementation of its catchment boundary review and renewed strategic plan.

The Greater Victoria School District is comprised of 47 schools that serve the communities of Esquimalt, Oak Bay, Victoria, View Royal, portions of Saanich and the Highlands, along with the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations. It is proud to provide quality education for more than 20,000 students—including 1,000 international students from across the globe and over 650 adult learners.

For more information about the District's annual budget visit:

www.sd61.bc.ca/AnnualBudget

School Calendar

FEB

2020

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12 POPCORN DAY	13	14 PRO D NO SCHOOL
17 Family Day No school	18	19	20	21 PIZZA DAY
24	25 PAC MEETING 7pm	26	27 PINK SHIRT DAY	28 Family Movie Night Doors open at 5:30pm Free Admission