

Frank Hobbs Elementary School



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March School Newsletter



Hello! It is March, the month we turn our clocks forward, enjoy the days getting longer and welcome the season of Spring! Here at Frank Hobbs, this is what we're warming up to...

2021-2022 Frank Hobbs School Bell Schedule:

- Start time 8:53 am
- Recess: 10:15-10:30
- Lunch: 11:36-11:56 (eating) 11:56-12:31 (recess)
- Dismissal: 2:35 pm
- Attendance: FHAttendance@sd61.bc.ca
- School Website: <https://frankhobbs.sd61.bc.ca/>

Daylight Savings Time:

Please remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour when you go to bed on March 12th, as we spring forward into Daylight Savings Time.

Spring Break:

Our District's Spring Break is from March 21st to April 1st.

All SD61 schools will be closed for those 2 weeks.

Attendance:

Regular attendance is very important. A student's over-all growth increases significantly over the time when they attend school regularly and have strong connections to all aspects of classroom and school learning.

Research shows there is a powerful link between successful learning and regular school attendance. While we recognize students may be periodically absent from school due to illness or important family plans and trips, *please support your child by working hard to attend school regularly, and to be on time.*

Library News:

Just a friendly reminder to please return your borrowed library books on time. Thanks!

Health and Safety:

This is the updated message from the BC Ministry of Health: **All students in Kindergarten to Grade 12 are required to wear a mask indoors in schools unless medically exempt.**

Student Masks: *Please remember to send a clean mask with your children daily, and have a few spares in your child's backpack – thanks!*

Below is the link to District Website that contains all the Public Health and Ministry of Education Guidelines related to the management of COVID-19 and Communicable Diseases

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/covid-19/>

Daily Health Checklist:

As the weather gets colder, we thank you for performing a daily health check with your child. The process is very important as it helps to keep us all healthy, and helps to stop the spread of Covid 19, colds and the flu. Click on the pdf below for more information on how to perform this important health check with your family:



GVSD61_DailyHealthChecklist_8Hx11_2020

And remember, our [Frank Hobbs School Website](#) has links to all updated District Health and Safety Information, Parent Connect, School Cash Online, and much more!

Student Learning Survey For Parents of Grade 4 and 5 Students

[Student Learning Survey](#)

A Parent Education Event

The Campus View PAC is offering at parent evening on March 3 @ 7pm via zoom called **“Finding a Balance with Digital Technology”** and Frank Hobbs Families have been invited to participate. It has been an issue for parents in the past with even greater influence over the past 2 years of the pandemic. Click on the link

[Finding A Balance with Technology Information](#)

Parking

Friendly reminder that the onsite parking is for staff only. *Parents, please do not occupy these parking spots. We welcome you to park on the street and walk into the school grounds to collect your children.*

Signing In/Out

Please remember to sign your child(ren) in/out at the office. Please remember that when your child arrives late to school, you must sign them in at the office window...AND if you take your child home early, you must also sign them out at the office window. Thank-you!

School Cash Payments Online

If you need to make a payment, please go to our [Frank Hobbs School Website](#) under Quick Links! Thank you so much.

1000X5 = 1000 Books by Age Five

Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria - **Bring on the Books!**

The 2021-2022 year has begun and 1000X5 volunteers are into Year 11 of sorting and delivering the 250,000 books for babies and preschoolers which have been so kindly donated by you. Every month we send 2500-3000 books into homes with few resources. Thanks for your donations of books to this wonderful program. We have a collection bench for your book donations in our front entryway.

A shoutout to Heirloom Linens where 1000X5 is the charity of the month for March. 50% of net profit on selected items will be donated. Thank you to a local business for supporting a local charity.

11 years: 260,000 books

1000 babies and preschoolers/month receive a gift bag of 3 books

Please check the corners of your house and continue to donate books into the bench by our front entryway.

Important Upcoming Dates:

Daylight Savings begins on March 13th

Spring Break is Saturday March 19 – Sunday April 3rd

Easter Weekend is Friday April 15 – Monday April 18th

Professional Development Day is May 20th

Victoria Day is May 23rd

Weather and Outside Time

Please remember to dress your kids for the weather ~ we go outside rain or shine!



And now....

Frank Hobbs PAC News!



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Your Frank Hobbs PAC Executive

Wishing you a bright and cheerful month ahead ~

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