

# Frank Hobbs Elementary School



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## January School Newsletter



Hello! Happy New Year and welcome back! We're all looking forward to an amazing year ahead, filled with positivity and joy! Here is a look at how January is unfolding here at Frank Hobbs ...

### 2022-2023 Frank Hobbs School Bell Schedule:

- Start time 8:45 am
- Recess: 10:15-10:30
- Lunch: 11:50-12:15 (recess) 12:15-12:35 (eating time)
- Dismissal: 2:37 pm
- Attendance is 250-477-1804 (press 1) or [FHAttendance@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:FHAttendance@sd61.bc.ca) (late or absent)  
*Please remember to use your child's first and last name.*

**Reminder: Professional Development Day** is Friday, January 27th, *there is no school for students.*

### Kindergarten Hearing Screenings:

We are pleased that Island Health will resume the hearing screenings for our Kindergarten students, this January. This will take place on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 starting at 9:30am.

### Library News:

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

### Health and Safety:

Helpful Links:

Communicable Disease Update:

[Communicable Disease Update](#)

### 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:

Link to K-12 Daily Health Check App

<https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck?execution=e1s1>

[Head Lice - Updated Information for Families](#)

The above link is simply for your information.

And remember, our [Frank Hobbs School Website](#) has links to our Daily Health Checks for Parents, updated District Health and Safety Information, Parent Connect, School Cash Online, the School Calendar, student artwork, staff contact information, and much more!

***We also ask that before and after school, children do not congregate on school playgrounds.***

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!

**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 2023 year has begun and 1000X5 volunteers are into Year 12 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.

**Important Upcoming Dates:**

- January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023: First Day Back from Winter Break
- January 13<sup>th</sup>: PAC Popcorn Day (Jan 2 last day to order)
- January 20<sup>th</sup>: PAC Pasta Day (Jan 9 last day to order)
- January 24<sup>th</sup> : Kindergarten Hearing and Dental Screening
- January 23 - 27<sup>th</sup>: Kindergarten Registration Week
- January 23 - 27<sup>th</sup>: Late Immersion French Registration Week
- January 27<sup>th</sup>: Professional Development Day – no school for students
- February 10<sup>th</sup>: PAC Popcorn Day (Jan 30 last day to order)
- February 17<sup>th</sup>: Professional Development Day – no school for students
- February 20<sup>th</sup>: Family Day Stat holiday
- February 23<sup>rd</sup>: PAC Calzone Day (Feb 12 last day to order)
- March 20-31<sup>st</sup>: Spring Break
- April 7-10<sup>th</sup>: Easter Holiday – no school for students

**Weather and Outside Time**

Please remember to dress your kids for the weather



\_\_\_\_\_ we go outside rain or shine or snow! \_\_\_\_\_

And now....

**Frank Hobbs PAC News!**

**Happy New Year!**



On behalf of the PAC Executive, Welcome back and hope you had an enjoyable break. We wish you and your family all the best for the 2023 year!

### January PAC Meeting



Next PAC meeting is Wednesday, January 18th @ 8pm. Zoom link:

### Hot Lunch Deadlines



Reminder that January 2nd @ Noon (first day back from holidays) is the last day to place orders for January 13th's popcorn day. It's recommended that you do not wait until the deadline to order. Please log in and place your child's order, making sure your order is paid by the deadline. January the 9th @ Noon is the deadline For Romeo's pasta on January 20th. We will be asking all students that have placed an order to please bring their own utensils ( fork and/or a spoon) to help us save on plastic waste.

### Spirit Wear



Our new spirit wear was delivered to families and staff in December and it looks awesome! We have a very limited number of spare T-shirts and Hoodies in youth and adult sizes for those who missed the order deadline - please be in touch with Megan at [megan.hofmeyr@gmail.com](mailto:megan.hofmeyr@gmail.com) to inquire about purchasing.

### West Coast Seeds



West Coast Seed Fundraiser is back for another year! Join us in our group order from January 16th - February 27th with free shipping and our PAC gets 40% back from all seed orders. West Coast seeds believe in the principles of organic growing and sustainable agriculture. Food and all plants should be grown without the use of synthetic chemicals and that the seeds they supply are an important component within the broader conceptual approach to organic gardening. West Coast seeds is committed to supplying us with non-GMO, high-quality, untreated seeds and provide varieties that are proven to grow well in our West Coast climate.

Visit: <https://fundraising.westcoastseeds.com>

Shop by adding items to your cart, Adding our organization Frank Hobbs Elementary PAC as you check out. Any questions, please email Jenny:

[jennynanninga@gmail.com](mailto:jennynanninga@gmail.com)

Still looking for Garden Bed Help and Fruit + Vegetable Coordinator! Please come to our January meeting or send us an email if you can help!

On behalf of the PAC Executive,

Jenny

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Your Frank Hobbs PAC Executive

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*Welcome to 2023 – we hope it's a happy and healthy year ahead for you all!*

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