

Frank Hobbs Elementary School



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May School Newsletter



Welcome to May! This month we dance around the May pole, we honour Mothers, we celebrate our own capital city on Victoria Day and we celebrate diversity over Rainbow Week! This is what May looks like here at Frank Hobbs....

2022-2023 Frank Hobbs School Bell Schedule:

- Start time 8:45 am
- Morning 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 (late or absent)

Please remember to use your child's first and last name - thank-you.

Signing In/Out

Please remember to sign your child(ren) in/out at the office. 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!

Pro-D Day and the May Long Weekend:

Friday May 19th and Monday May 22nd, there will be no school for students on those days.

Leaving Us?

If your family is planning to move at the end of the year to another school, *please let the office know as soon as possible*. If you know the name of the new school where your child(ren) will be attending, please provide that information so we can forward your student's records along.

District Transition Day is Thursday May 18

Grade 5 students will visit their new middle school on this day in the afternoon. If your child will be moving to a middle school *outside of our catchment school of Arbutus Global Middle School*, parents will be responsible for transporting them to their new middle school for this important event. More information will be coming out to grade 5 parents closer to the event.

Class Photos

Bring your best smile on May 5th for class photo day!

Welcome to Kindergarten

Coming up in early June, we'll be inviting our new Kindergarten parents/guardians to come by the school to meet our Kindergarten teachers and pick up a bag of learning resources for their new Kindy student to enjoy over the summer. The event will take place on Tuesday June 6th and Wednesday the 7th after school at 2:45, at the front of our school. Information on scheduling will be sent out to our new families closer to the event.

Dance Club News

The Dance Club is raising funds to pay for the costumes that they wore to Festival this year. The students were able to perform at UVic in front of hundreds of people and got to stay and watch other schools amazing dances.

The support at the bake sales has been tremendous and we are so grateful for everyone who was able to come out. We are hoping to raise additional funds to pay for the rest of the costumes and associated fees that come with participating and performing at the Festival

Thank you so much for your support!
Mrs. T!

Arbutus Grove Out of School Care

For information on the program, and space availability for the coming year, please go to their website:

<http://www.arbutusgrove.ca/out-of-school-care>

Library News:

Scholastic Book Fair

Our Scholastic Spring Book Fair will be held on June 6-9th!

Book Fair Hours:

Tuesday, June 6- Friday, June 9

Thursday and Friday only 8:20- am - 8:40 am

2:45 pm- 3:45 pm in Room 1 beside the office.

Important: Please have all library books returned by June 2nd.

Spring Fun, Fitness & Safety

[Spring Fun, Fitness and Safety](#)

PISE Spring Program Opportunities and Family Sport and Recreation Festival

Please click on the links provided below:

[PISE Spring Program Information](#)

[Sport and Recreation Festival](#)

Health and Safety:

Daily Health Checklist:

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 not only of Covid 19, but also the cold and the flu. 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!

Parking

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

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 -

Summer is coming and the 1000X5 Program needs your used books for our children to read over the summer! Thanks for your donations, we have a collection bench for your book donations in our front entryway.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Class Photos and PAC Popcorn Day is May 5th
- District Transition Day is May 18th (grade 5 students)
- Professional Development Day is May 19th – no school for students
- Victoria Day is May 22nd
- PAC Romeo's Pasta Day is May 26th (May 15th : last day to order)
- PAC Popcorn Day is June 9th (May 29th : last day to order)
- Welcome To Kindergarten Event is June 6th & 7th at 2:45pm
- Gyro Park Whole School Field Trip is June 22nd
- Grade 5 Celebration is June 28th at 1:30pm in the Gym
- Last day of school for students is June 29th

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!

PAC News for May



PAC AGM - Wednesday, May 17th @ 8pm via zoom

here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87231667425?pwd=QnhyMFBCNjI0ZlVESE1VTDJVRUJzZz09>

We are looking to fill Executive positions for Chair and Vice Chair, among other vacancies for the next school year, along with voting on occupied positions. Please consider volunteering! For any PAC related questions, please email frankhobbselempac@gmail.com.



Thank you to those who have helped make our April bottle drive such a success, by swinging by and donating your returnables! Special thanks to Jenn Sleight and family for helping to organize and all our volunteer families who came out to sort, organize and count them all!

We earned over \$500 back for our school, which we will put to great use!! We are looking for a contact person to maintain communication with Caddy Bay Liquor Store to be able to continue our weekly returnable pickups. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact frankhobbselempac@gmail.com.



Hot Lunch

Popcorn day is on May 5th and the deadline is now closed. For our upcoming Romeo's pasta on May 26th, the deadline to order is May 15th by 3:00 p.m.

Please use the hot lunch site to create an account if you haven't already, and place orders here: <https://frankhobbs.hotlunches.net>

If you require financial assistance for the hot lunch program please reach out to lunches@frankhobbspac.ca. All inquiries will be kept confidential.



Hilltop Flower Orders

Orders will be available for pick up on Thursday May 11th and Friday May 12th. Those who've placed an order will be contacted directly. Thank you for supporting this new initiative!



Parent Ed Seminar

Wednesday, May 10th from 6:30-7:45pm

Educator, Speaker, Writer, Co-founder and fellow Frank Hobbs Parent, Lindsay Coulter will be providing an in-person workshop for parents of Frank Hobbs.

Description: Taking care of the heart through nature, play and connection

We all need to be affected by our world. Yet how do we not get crushed by the magnitude of environmental collapse and devastation? Lindsay will share and lead participants in practices she's developed to support children and adults to connect to the Earth as a source of energy and love that can support them. We'll practice and contemplate simple acts to feel more skilled to help little hearts find rest. When caring adults can attune to nurture wonder and magic, nature can become the classroom, teacher, and a healer. These chaotic times are calling us into a new way of creating safety in a wounding world. Through capacity building and sharing stories, you'll learn how to find sanctuary and nurture much more than resilience, but what's really needed...perseverance.

Nature is important to acknowledge. It reminds us of our lasting connection to the living world *and* each other. This session will be fun, light-hearted and make space for hands-on experiences in nature reciprocity. To seek beauty, experience more awe and gratitude for Mother Nature can be work for us all.

Happy Spring, and thank you for your ongoing support of our PAC Executive.

Your Frank Hobbs PAC Executive

We hope you have a wonderful month -

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