

Frank Hobbs Elementary School



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September School Newsletter

We would like to welcome all of our staff, students and families to a new school year, with a special welcome to those of you who are new to our Frank Hobbs family. You are joining a wonderful school community and we're confident that we will provide a positive and successful experience for each of you! Please read on for some important, preliminary information about the upcoming school year.

Welcome to our news staff:

- Allison Chan (returning from leave) and Bree Keefe – ELL
- Grace Hatherill - Inclusive Learning
- Vishnu Bindu – Educational Assistant

Open House!

You and your child(ren) are invited to our Frank Hobbs Open House on Thursday, September 17th from 4:30pm – 5:30pm. Come tour the school, see your child's classroom, meet their teacher, and our wonderful Parent Advisory Council – who will be serving treats!

Professional Development Day:

Monday, September 21st, *there is no school for students.*

Picture Day:

Wednesday October 7th is picture day! After Picture Day, you can order your child's photos on edgeimaging.ca using your Portrait ID and Access Code which can be found on your child's Picture Day Order Form.

Terry Fox School Fundraising:

Thank-you so much for your continued support of the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope, we appreciate any donation you are able to make to this very worthy cause! You can easily make an online donation simply by clicking on the link <https://schools.terryfox.ca/139283> or you can bring your donations directly to your classroom teacher.

More information will be coming home with your child in the coming days, on our school based fundraising activity on September 25th!

Student Verification and Reunification Forms:

These have now moved to online completion through Parent Connect, and will be made available as of September 14th. These forms provide us with valuable information that ensures we have the most up to date information for your children. Please have them completed asap. Thank-you.

Parent Connect:

There are important online consent forms that parents/guardians must read. Consent rolls over each year. This means that parents/caregivers of students in grades K-8 do not have to actively consent to each digital tool or form each year. *Parents/caregivers are encouraged to review consent items on an annual basis by logging into Parent Connect.*

Any new digital tool or form that has been added by teachers or administrators will appear in Parent Connect with a notification asking parents to provide or deny consent ("Action Required").

**** Please ensure you have signed up and have reviewed these documents ****

The link: [Parent Connect Sign In](#) or you can find it on our school website under Quick Links.

2026-2027 Frank Hobbs School Bell Schedule:

We do not have before or after school supervision so please adhere to this bell schedule.

- Start time 8:45 am
- Recess: 10:15-10:30
- Lunch: 11:50-12:10 (eating) 12:10-12:35 (recess time)
- Dismissal: 2:37 pm

School Divisions and Teachers:

Division	Teacher	Grade
Div 1/RM 17	Ms. Johns	5
Div 2/RM 15	Ms. Timmermans	4/5
Div 3/RM 2	Mr. Robinson	4
Div 4/RM 1	Ms. Clackson	3/4
Div 5/RM 12	Ms. Johnston	2/3
Div 6/RM 18	Mr. Walasek	2/3
Div 7/RM 13	Ms. Tevaarwerk	1/2
Div 8/RM 10	Ms. Pullan	1
Div 9/RM 11	Ms. Wood	K/1
Div 10/RM 07	Ms. Emes	K

School Cash Payments Online:

We have a convenient link for families to pay online for their student Agenda Planners (\$7.00 per Agenda). IF YOUR CLASSROOM USES AGENDAS, please complete payment as soon as you are able. You will find the link on our [Frank Hobbs School Website](#) under Quick Links!

(NEW: The District has implemented a new small fee to the cash online system with each transaction, which will be added on to your transaction automatically)

Volunteering at Frank Hobbs:

We're looking forward to fieldtrips this school year and Teachers will be looking for help with volunteers! If you plan to be involved as a volunteer for field trips or in the school, click on the links below and please fill out the following forms as the criminal record check can take a few weeks to receive.

[Volunteer Driver Form](#)

[Volunteer Driver Information with Links](#)

Paper Volunteer Forms are also available outside the office.
Filling out these important forms early in the year supports staff in the ability to plan and take trips.
And it is important to note that the Criminal Record Check can take several weeks to process.

Bike Bus Invitation:

On Friday, September 18th, this year's Bike Bus will roll into the Frank Hobbs Schoolyard and you're invited to participate! More like a parade or a rolling party than a bus, kids and parents ride their bikes to school together along a pre-planned route, picking up families along the way. With a little music and a lot of smiles, kids relish the freedom and fun of a weekly ride together. We have a 'Drive to 5' collection point at Gyro Park. More details with route and departure times will be shared with the school community closer to the event. We are very grateful to Best Buy Uptown for sponsoring our music for our weekly rides! Their support has helped us to enhance our music experience for our Friday morning celebrations.

1000X5 = 1000 Books by Age Five

This program encourages you to bring in your gently used books for toddlers and preschool aged children - simply drop them in the benchseat storage near our Global Highlights calendar in the main hall. Your donations help with vital early childhood literacy!

Important Upcoming Dates:

Frank Hobbs School Open House: September 17th 4:30-5:30pm

Terry Fox School Fundraiser Run: September 25th

Pro-D Day: September 21st – no school for students.

PAC MEETING – September 29th 6:30-8pm/Frank Hobbs Library

Orange Shirt Day and School Assembly: September 29th

Go By Bike Week: September 28 – October 2nd

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Sept 30th – no school for students

Picture Day: October 7th (individual student photos)

Thanksgiving: October 12th - school not in session

Parent Teacher Meetings: Oct 21st (regular dismissal) and Oct 22nd (***early dismissal at 11:50am***)

Pro-D Day: October 23rd – no school for students

You can also check our school calendar for important dates throughout the school year:

[Frank Hobbs School Calendar](#)

We wish everyone a great start to the school year!

~Thomas Thompson, Principal ~ Ashley Clackson, Vice Principal
~ Kealy Hansen, Administrative Assistant
and Kelsey Shaver, Secretary Clerk



See below for a Back to School welcome from our PAC...

Welcome from the Frank Hobbs PAC!

Welcome back, Hobbs families—and a special welcome to everyone joining our community this year!

Every Frank Hobbs parent and guardian is automatically a member of the PAC. Whether you'd like to come to a meeting, volunteer once during the year, share an idea, help with an event, or simply stay connected, there's a place for you.

Come Say Hello!

Stop by the PAC table at the **Frank Hobbs Open House on Thursday, September 17, from 4:30–5:30 p.m.** Meet some fellow parents, learn about Hot Lunch and upcoming events, and find out about different ways to get involved.

First General PAC Meeting – Tuesday, September 29 | 6:30–8:00 p.m | Frank Hobbs School Library

All parents and guardians are welcome! PAC meetings are a great way to hear what's happening around the school, connect with other families, share ideas and help shape how PAC supports our students and school community.

Save the Date 🗓️

Halloween Dance – Thursday, October 22 | 6:30–8:00 p.m.

One of our favourite Hobbs traditions is back! More details and volunteer opportunities will be coming soon.

Parents' Night Out – Saturday, November 14

Save the date for an evening just for the grown-ups! More details to come.

Stay Connected

Join our PAC WhatsApp community for school reminders, upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and easy ways to connect with other Hobbs families.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/ErK8FBkZ3bIFzNYjAfPYrs>

Hot Lunch & Volunteering

Watch for Hot Lunch registration information and volunteer opportunities coming soon. There are lots of ways to contribute throughout the year—from helping for an hour at an event to taking on an ongoing role.

We're looking forward to another year of connection, belonging, fun and supporting our wonderful Frank Hobbs community together.

Frank Hobbs PAC

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