

Fairview Elementary School

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Newsletter #3

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

FEBRUARY 2020

Hello Fairview Families,

Spring Break is on the way, Basketball season is in full swing, and providing great entertainment if you have had a chance to see some of the games. On the off chance that we do experience more inclement weather, please make sure that you check the district website to ensure schools are open before dropping your children off - in the unlikely event of a school closure, teaching or support staff will not be available to care for them.

February is Energy Challenge month in the school district, a chance for all of us to be a little more mindful of the challenges the world faces as we look to find environmentally sustainable ways to preserve our planet for future generations. Many special projects are underway on different themes in our classes, and you can expect to hear more about them as the month progresses.

The Family Day long weekend is quickly approaching - these days it seems harder and harder to connect with our loved ones in real time, despite the often-increasing level of connection in cyberspace. There is no substitute for being there in person.

This month concludes with Pink Shirt Day. If you ordered a shirt for your child, you will be receiving it in the week before that. We will also be enjoying a pink day parade on February 26th where we plan to spread kindness through the neighbourhood.

A huge thanks to our PAC for all the hard work they do, not just fundraising, but here in the building almost every day. We could not do it without you, and you make the school a much better place!

All the best,

Jenn

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL ON:

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13th

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14th

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17th



STUDENT INCLUSIVE CONFERENCING:

Term 2 Student Inclusive Conferencing is taking place on the afternoon of **Thursday, March 12** beginning at 12:00 as well as the full day on **Friday, Mar. 13**. All students will be dismissed at 11:00 on Mar. 12. Students will NOT attend school on the afternoon of Mar. 12 and the full day on Mar 13. Everyone will have received information about conferencing schedules from classroom teachers. *We will not be able to provide supervision for school-aged siblings on either days.*

ARE YOU TRANSFERRING SCHOOLS???:

If you know you will be moving or transferring from Fairview Elementary School (either this year or during the summer), *it is VERY important to let the office know ASAP*. The more accurate our projections - the more efficient our staffing will be.

School Closure Decision: Snow

The decision to close schools due to accumulating snowfall is ultimately the responsibility of the superintendent, who must balance the safety of students, staff and parents with the need to provide learning. The decision is not taken lightly and is the result of a carefully thought out process that is reviewed after each experience and refined if necessary.

The decision to close schools is made by 6:15 a.m. Details are:

- posted on the SD42 Twitter feed ([@sd42news](#));
- posted on the SD42 Facebook feed ([SD42Facebook](#));
- shared with News 1130, CKNW, and CBC 690 radio stations;
- posted on the SD42 Website ([www.sd42.ca](#)).

Please note: The district supports individual and family decisions regarding safety. Parents/guardians have primary responsibility for their children's safe travel to school. If, for any reason, there are personal concerns about the ability to travel safely to school, other arrangements should be made.

Dress for the Weather:

As we are into the cold, wet months be sure to dress appropriately for the weather with coats, boots, umbrellas, etc. We go outside at recess and lunch everyday so a spare set of clothes in your child's backpack is a good idea.

STAY HEALTHY AND WASH THOSE HANDS!:

It's Time to Grab our Hand Sanitizer, Wash Our Hands More Frequently and do what we can to reduce the effect of flu viruses heading our way... We all want to ensure that we are doing our best to reduce the spreading of germs and that can be rather difficult in any school considering the number of children and how contagious some of the recent viruses seem to be. Please keep in mind that we do have students and staff with compromised immune systems that could be affected. Vomiting, diarrhea and fever are important symptoms for all of us to monitor. Always remember that the best preventative measure is washing our hands...frequently. We will continue to promote this at school!

BLOCKING DRIVEWAYS:

Please remember to be respectful by not blocking driveways. We are also requesting that you do not block the front entry way to the school with your car.



PINK SHIRT DAY.....:

Wednesday, February 26nd at 10:40!!!



On Wednesday, February 26nd our school community will be joining together in our gym at 9:00 am for our PINK DAY rally. We encourage all students, staff and parents to dress in PINK for the day. As part of our celebration we will also join together for a PINK DAY PARADE through our neighbourhood as a demonstration of our commitment to spreading kindness throughout our school and our community.

For the parade, banners, signs, posters and streamers are all most welcome. For students whose parents provided permission on the Parent Portal with regard to Walking Fieldtrips, no additional permission is required. The parade will take place rain or shine, so please be sure to dress for the weather. Interested in volunteering for this event, please call the office.

PAC News...

Meeting: Next Meeting is on Monday, February 10 at 6:45pm. Please come and join us!

Hot Lunch: February 21, 2020 - Pizza and Sushi
March 11, 2020 - Macaroni & Cheese.

Upcoming Events: Sexual Health Seminar for Parents - February 5, 2020
Sexual Health Seminar for Students - February 11, 2020

Upcoming Fundraisers: Easter Purdy's chocolate orders

Fairview Library News:

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Just a reminder of our **Scholastic Book Fair** is fast approaching. The times are as follows:

Monday, February 24	8:30 am to 3:00 pm, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday, February 25	10:00 am to 3:00 pm, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Wednesday, February 27	10:20 am to 10:35 am 11:50 pm to 12:30 pm 2:00 pm to 3:00pm

This is an exciting time for students as Scholastic offers a wonderful assortment of books for all ages and at reasonable rates. Added to this, Fairview Elementary benefits as a portion of proceeds is awarded to the library to purchase much needed books. Come and support this great event!

We need parent volunteers to help ensure Scholastic Book Fair runs smoothly and is successful. Helpers are required to assist with supervision, tidy shelves and tables, work the cash, etc.

Please email gianna_holmes@sd42.ca can help with Scholastic Book Fair. Please include your name, telephone number and the date(s) and time(s) you can assist. Alternatively, drop by the library.

Thank you. Mrs. Holmes



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The Redesigned Curriculum at Fairview Elementary School

What is the importance of Personal Awareness and Responsibility to the development of healthy, resilient children and youth?

Students who develop personal awareness and responsibility make healthy connections between individual and social behaviour. Within our new curriculum, students are taught how to self-advocate so that they can express what supports they need to be successful in school. The ability to self-advocate develops confidence and self-worth so that children and youth have the courage to convey how they feel in constructive ways, ask questions, admit mistakes and commit to learning in all facets of life. An essential First Peoples' Principle of Learning states that learning takes patience and time. Helping students understand this principle leads to perseverance in challenging times and encourages resiliency. Teaching our students to be personally aware and responsible leads to the development of healthy, whole children and youth.

For more information about the curriculum, visit <https://www.sd42.ca/new-curriculum/>

Coming in March: Creative Thinking.



Building relationships in the snow



Core Competencies: What are they and why are they in the new curriculum?

The new curriculum centres around the following three core competency areas: **communication**, **personal and social**, **thinking**. They are sets of intellectual, personal, and social and emotional proficiencies that all students need to develop in order to engage in deep learning and life-long learning. Competencies are evident in every area of learning and in every grade, and come into play when students become actively engaged in their learning. During the school year, students will have an opportunity to self-assess their proficiencies in these core competencies.

READY, SET, LEARN

A SPECIAL INVITATION FOR FAMILIES
WITH CHILDREN AGES 3 OR 4

READY, SET, LEARN (RSL) is a FREE early learning program that welcomes children ages 3 and 4 to the Maple Ridge - Pitt Meadows School District and helps them get ready for success in school. The program offers play activities, story-time and crafts. Families also receive a package that includes a children's book and parent tips for supporting a child's learning and development.



NEIGHBOURHOOD EVENTS 2020

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL RSL EVENTS AND OCCURS ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS. REGISTER AT <http://www.sd42.ca/rsl-registration>

DAVIE JONES
EDITH MCDERMOTT
HIGHLAND PARK
PITT MEADOWS ELEM.

ALOUETTE
ERIC LANGTON
GOLDEN EARS
HARRY HOOGE
KANAKA CREEK
YENNADON

OPEN TO CHILDREN
AGES 3 AND 4 IN
ALL MAPLE RIDGE
AND PITT MEADOWS
NEIGHBOURHOODS

FAIRVIEW
GLENWOOD
HAMMOND
LAITY VIEW
MAPLE RIDGE ELEM.

ALBION
ALEXANDER ROBINSON
BLUE MOUNTAIN
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WEBSTER'S CORNERS
WHONNOCK

PITT MEADOWS

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

FEB 26, 2020

HIGHLAND PARK
ELEMENTARY

MAPLE RIDGE CENTRAL

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

APR 15, 2020

HARRY HOOGE
ELEMENTARY

READY SET LEARN
PARTNERSHIP EVENT

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

MAR 10, 2020

THE ACT
THEATRE

MAPLE RIDGE WEST

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

APR 17, 2020

HAMMOND
ELEMENTARY

MAPLE RIDGE EAST

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

APR 28, 2020

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ELEMENTARY

The following schools offer additional RSL events, called PALS. Please call the school to register:

ALOUETTE 604.463.8730: Dec 4, Jan 23, Feb 26 (3:00 - 4:00 pm)

DAVIE JONES 604.465.9908: Nov 14 (3:00 - 4:15 pm), Jan 23 (3:00 - 4:15 pm)

KANAKA CREEK 604.467.9050: Jan 31, Mar 6, May 22 (3:00 - 4:15 pm)

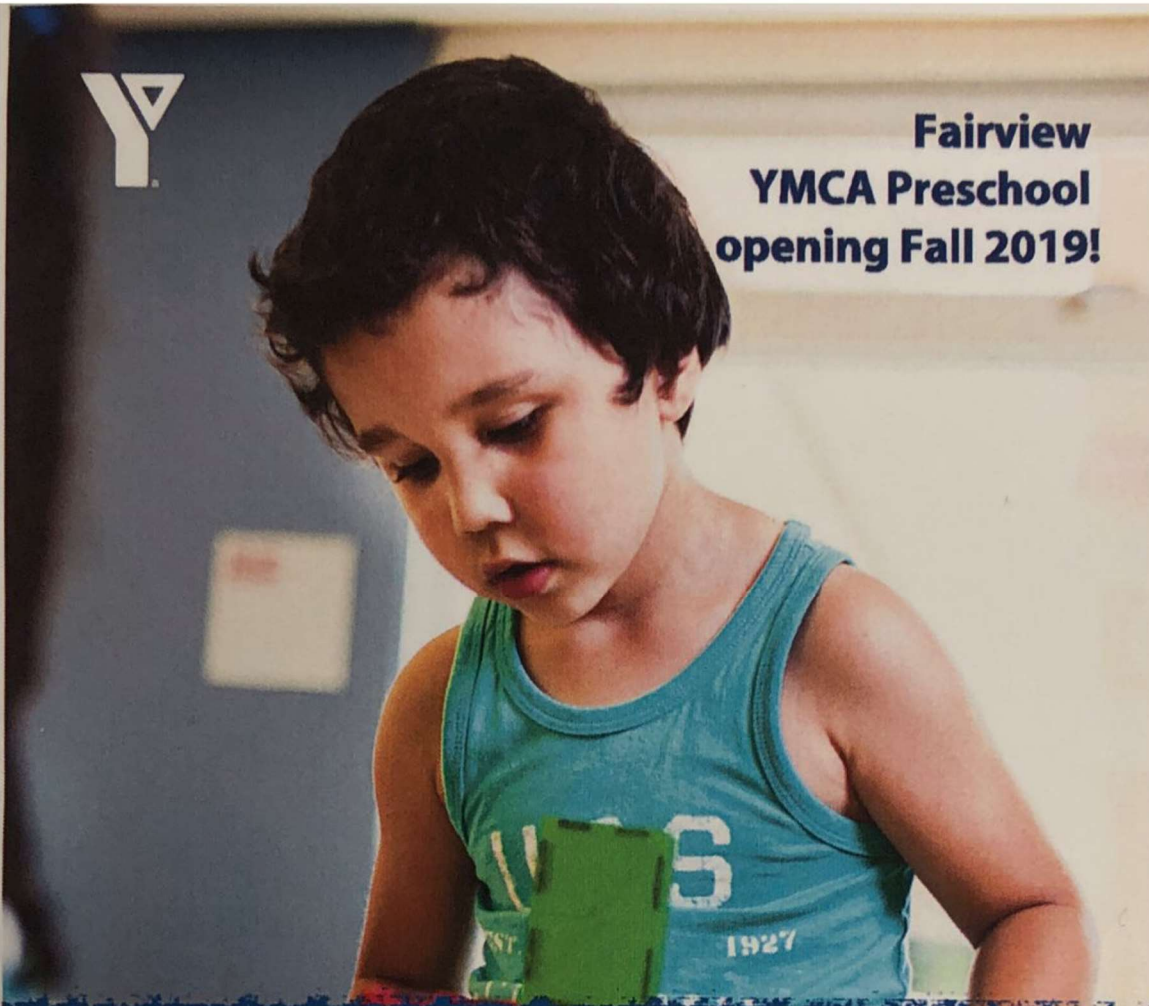
PITT MEADOWS ELEMENTARY 604.465.5828: Nov 5, Feb 4, Apr 7 (2:40 - 3:45 pm)

KATZIE EARLY YEARS CENTRE - APALS Torrie@katzie.ca: Jan 28, Mar 3, May 12 (5:00 - 6:30 pm)





**Fairview
YMCA Preschool
opening Fall 2019!**



The YMCA of Greater Vancouver is excited to expand its preschool program into the Fairview Elementary School community. The preschool years are exciting times—children are growing quickly and elementary school is just around the corner! Children in our preschool programs receive vital learning opportunities in a safe, nurturing environment, spend time outside each day and enjoy delicious, healthy snacks.

**Fairview YMCA Preschool
12209 206 Street
Maple Ridge, B.C. V2X 1T8**

**Apply for care!
gv.ymca.ca/childcare
Questions? Contact us at 236.889.2556**

FEBRUARY 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PAC Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ROCKS Assembly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candygram • School Board Meeting 6pm 	Non-Instructional Day	School not in session
17	18	19	20	21
Family Day – School not in session			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book Fair drop off no library • 100 Day 	
24	25	26	27	28
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book fair during day & 6 to 8 pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book fair during day & 6 to 8 pm • Grandparents Day (pm) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pink Shirt Day • Bookfair • Div. 3 to ACT Centre 12:30 – 2:00 		