



Falkland Elementary School Newsletter

January 2026

At Falkland Elementary We Believe:
Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe
This is "The Wolves Way"

Dear Falkland Families;

We hope everyone had a wonderful break and enjoyed time with family. On behalf of the staff at Falkland School, we wish all our families a very Happy New Year. We were excited to see students return on January 5th and know that the second term (which is only 10 weeks long) will absolutely fly by! There are many learning opportunities in the second term, and students should be working on the recommendations outlined in Learning Updates which were distributed in mid December. We look forward to working collaboratively with all our families and the Falkland Community to help students grow, develop, and Chase Excellence in 2026!

Mr. Ward - Principal

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Kindergarten Registration

If you have a child entering Kindergarten in September, or know someone in our community who does, our initial registration for students happens on Wednesday, January 14, 2026. Please contact Miss Karlee in the Office with any questions.



Community Partners

It takes a village to raise a child, and we are fortunate in Falkland to have support from many individuals and businesses. Our local "Sunday Morners" group donated four \$150 Superstore Gift Cards which we distributed to families prior to the holidays. We hope this eased the stress of the season and allowed some of our families to enjoy the holidays a little bit more. We are grateful to the Sunday Morners for their generous donation to our school and our families in December. Please support these groups when you can as they have been amazing to our school and to our students.



StrongStart Changes

Miss Krystie began Maternity Leave prior to the holidays and won't be returning to her position. We wish her all the best in her new adventure as a Mom and know she will be missed! Once a StrongStart Facilitator is hired in the New Year, we will let families know, and the plan for StrongStart is to be available every weekday from 8:30am to 11:30am. Families are encouraged to register at the Office and then drop-in as much as possible. Fun activities, a healthy snack and some gym will continue each day!



Cold Weather Clothing

It is important that students dress for the weather when coming to school. During very poor weather students will be permitted to play appropriately inside. Given our surrounding topography, when temperatures are in the range of 0 to -10 degrees at the school, students are typically expected to play outside as long as the windchill isn't too bad. When the temperature drops below -10 degrees at the school there is a good chance students will have an indoor recess and/or lunch. The decision to have indoor recess/lunch rests with the Principal and is based on a number of factors (temperature at the school, windchill, shelters available, length of time outside, etc.). We ask that students arrive at school no earlier than 8:00am when supervision begins.



Extra Clothes

It is a good idea for students to have a change of clothes in their backpacks for accidents that may happen at Recess and Lunch, or any other time of the day, so the school doesn't have to call home if other clothes are needed during the school day.



Basketball

The Grades 5-8 seasons start this week, and we are still looking for volunteer coaches who have a passion for the sport and some time available to work with our eager athletes. Practices can be at lunch (11:45pm-12:15pm) and/or after school (2:15pm-3:15pm) on Mondays, Tuesdays, or Thursdays. Games will be on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Contact the School Office if you are interested. A valid, current, and clean Criminal Record Check is required, and the season runs from January to March.



LEARN TO CURL

Youth Program



The Falkland Curling Club would like to offer a 4 to 6 week program (to be determined by interest) to youth 10 and older.

The Program would run Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 to 3:45 beginning January 14, 2026.

Participants will be required to wear a helmet while on the ice, bring clean inside shoes to be worn on the ice, and provide a Waiver signed by their parent/guardian. Warm clothing and gloves are also recommended! Grippers and sliders will be provided by the Curling Club.

Cost will be \$5.00 per week and "Drop-Ins" are welcome.

If you would like your child to participate, please send an email to falklandcurlingclub@gmail.com with their name and birth date, OR call Trudy Carboneau (250) 427-6377 on or before January 5, 2026.

Verification Forms & Fees

Please make sure your child's verification form is complete, especially if changes have occurred, and that student fees have been paid. If you are unsure of how much fees are please don't hesitate to contact Miss Karlee in the Office. Also, if school fees are a financial burden, please let Mr. Ward know and alternate arrangements can be made. We are still seeking many school fees from the first term, and we are trying to recoup as much of our school budget which has covered the cost so far and could be used for learning materials in classrooms moving forward.



TUESDAY, JANUARY 13

Armstrong Indigenous Family Night

@ PLEASANT VALLEY SECONDARY
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13 FROM 5-7PM

FLK HPE PVSS LWMS AES

All Indigenous Families are invited for dinner, games, and to learn more about the Indigenous Departments and programs in Splatsin and SD83

RSVP BELOW

QR Code or follow the link

<https://forms.office.com/r/AeMWP77479>



Chase Excellence

FSA Booklets

Our Grade 4 and 7 students wrote the Provincial Foundation Skills Assessment in November, and booklets have been returned to the school. If families are interested in seeing their child's results, they are asked to stop by the Office and see Mr. Ward.



Important Upcoming Dates

Mon. Jan. 5: School Opens & No Kids Club After School

Tue. Jan. 6: No Soup Day & Kung Fu Class 2:15pm

Wed. Jan. 7: No Boys & Girls Club After School

Thu. Jan. 8: Kung Fu Class 4:30pm

Fri. Jan. 9: Spirit Day – Jersey Day & PAC Hot Lunch – Chili

Tue. Jan. 13: Soup Day – Potato Soup

Wed. Jan. 14: Kindergarten Registration Opens for 2026-2027

Tue. Jan. 20: PAC Meeting 2:30pm

Fri. Jan. 23: Whole School Assembly 8:30am & Spirit Day – Camouflage

Mon. Jan 26: Lockdown Drill 12:25pm

Fri. Jan. 30: Family House Colour Teams 8:30am & Popcorn served at Recess by PAC

