Falkland Elementary School

PAC Report

Upcoming Events:

Mon., April 4

• School reopens

Wed., April 6

 Sexual Health Teacher presentations in classes for students in grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

Tues., April 12

Easter Orders Delivered to Customers

Wed., April 13

 Sexual Health Teacher presentations in classes for students in grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

Fri., April 15

No School—Easter Friday

Mon., April 18

No School—Easter Friday

Tues., April 19

• Yearbook Coverpage Entries due

Fri., April 22

• Earth Day—tree planting

Mon., April 25

• Will's Jam Arts Starts Performance 10:10 AM

Thurs., April 28

- Student Led Conferences (childminding provided for siblings)
- Photo Day

Fri., April 29

Popcorn Day (PAC)

Mon., May 2

- PRO D Day (no school for students)
- Growing Smiles Delivery

Prepared by Shelly Cull, Principal

Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2022

- 1. **Problem solving process**—<u>https://sd83.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/SD83-Brochure-Inquiries-and-Concerns-for-print-FINAL.pdf</u>
- 2. Enrolment: (Class size and Composition requirements). Down 2 since last report.

Div 6	k	14 (+1)
Div 5	1	14 (+2)
Div 4	2/3	16
Div 3	3/4	15 (+1)
Div 2	5/6	23
Div 1	7/8	19

Total 101 (2 students returning after Easter long weekend)

- **3.** <u>CLICK HERE</u> to access the most recent Newsletter that was sent home on Thursday, March 17th. Some great photos of our students in action.
- **4. Staff update**—Our wonderful custodian Bonnie Strottman is back to precovid hours. 7 hours instead of 8 starting at 2:00PM instead of 11:30AM.
- 5. Communicating Student Learning—Student Led Conferences—Thursday, April 28th. Save the Date. More information to be shared with families soon on the sign up process. This is a wonderful opportunity to visit your child's classroom and review selected pieces of work as evidence of their learning in different areas. I am hoping that PAC will agree to cover the cost to provide child minding in order to ensure parents have some uninterrupted, one on one time with each of their children.

6. Update on Communicable Disease Practices in schools—

Things that will be the same...

- Hand hygiene when you enter the school, the bus, before and after eating, and after using the washroom.
- Daily health check and stay home when you have symptoms of illness
- · Respect the personal space of others
- We will continue to follow the guidelines provided by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health
- · Routines to maintain a safe, caring and orderly school

Things that will be different...

- Meet in person, have whole school assemblies,
- Visitors allowed back in the school all visitors must report to the office
- Masks will no longer be mandated. They will be a choice and this choice will be supported and respected.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to read more on the Next Steps in BCs Response to COVID—19 from April 5th. Rapid Antigen tests

continue to be available at our school. We are unable to give these tests to students directly. Parents can call the office and arrange pick up with Dani.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to read more about the federal requirements regarding masking at school and other public places for 14 days upon your return from international travel.



Choose to be and do your best.

Upcoming Events Cont'd:

Tues., May 3

• Little Mountain Cross Country Run @ Salmon Arm k-7

Wed., May 4

• PAC mtg

Wed., May 11

• Salmon River Cross Country Run @ Silver Creek k– 8

Mon., May 16

• Ruploops ArtStarts Performance

Wed. May 18

 National Defense presentation to Div 4 and 3 on encounters with unexploded military bombs.

Fri., May 20

• Pre-rodeo Pancake breakfast

Fri., May 27

- Popcorn Day (PAC)
- Professor Wolf Performance 8:50Am

Wed., June 1

PAC mtg

Fri., June 3

• Yearbook Orders due

Fri., June 17

Popcorn Day (PAC)

Tues., June 21

• Fun Day

Wed., June 22

• Grade 8 Grad celebration

Thurs., June 23

• Last day for students—dismissal 10:15 AM

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PAC report cont'd:

- 7. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for upcoming Spirit Days.
- 8. **Cross Country Running Events:** Information will be coming home soon with students who express interest. Parent Volunteers needed. Depending on number of participants, our school may be getting a bus

Salmon River Run at Silver Creek School, k-8—Wednesday, May 11th **Little Mountain Park** in Salmon Arm, k-7 —Tuesday, May 3rd

- **9. Talent Show**—Planning is underway for a talent show incorporating practice at home. Students will be given the option to submit a video or perform live. Selected talents will be featured as part of a show case finale for a school wide audience. Students can start thinking about the talents they wish to share with the world. :)
- 10. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to access the 2021-2022 Yearbook order form and cover page contest details.
- 11. Progress on the school basement—Walls have been restored and painted. Waiting for next step. No new timeline has been provided.
- 12. School Improvement Plan—One of our school goals is in the area of Numeracy. We will be conducting our grade level Numeracy Assessment in the month of April. Teacher will be provided time to review results and put together an instructional plan to support student learning for the remainder of the year.
- **13. Upcoming School Fundraisers**—<u>CLICK HERE</u> to access the information about our Growing Smiles annual Plant and flower fundraiser.
- 14. **Outdoor Learning Space Update:** Thank you PAC for all you do to contribute to our school. Two additional Blue tables have been ordered for the front of school and a work order in for concrete and install as per motion at earlier PAC meeting. I have requested current estimates for resurfacing the basketball court for a possible CSRD application. We also have a gaga pit quote. Our Outdoor learning committee will be meeting at 2:30 PM today to review our school priorities. We hope to complete some outdoor painting (SPAPL project) and plant 7 trees from BC Small Wetlands Association on Earth Day (April 22nd)—as part of Canada's 2 billion trees project—1 Douglas Fir, 2 Paper Birch, 2 Choke Cherry and 2 Trembling Aspen.
- **15. Sexual Health Lessons**—<u>CLICK HERE</u> to view the letter emailed home to families March 9th and included in out Newsletter to give notice to parents about content and curriculum that Amy Witt, our Sexual Health Support Teacher, will be presenting about. Initially it was communicated presentations taking place on Wednesday, April 6th and 13th, however the dates will be Wednesday, April 13th and 20th. Div 1 10:25-11:25, Div 2 12:15-1:15, Div 3 1:15-2:05 (grade 4 only).
- 16. <u>Anxiety Session for Educators and Parents—CLICK HERE</u> to access the re cording if you were not able to attend.
- 17. **Information regarding the 2022-2023 school year** <u>CLICK HERE</u> to access the SD83 calendar. Our bell schedule will have some minor adjustments to accommodate the few minutes of instruction per day given the increase in instructional days in the school calendar.