



Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians

As the end of December quickly approaches, it is a great time for reflection, compassion, and giving to others.

I continue to witness growth and learning every day at the school and I am so proud of our students, staff and families for their dedication and support. From the engaging classroom projects to the joyful celebrations and events, it's been inspiring to witness the enthusiasm and creativity of our school community.

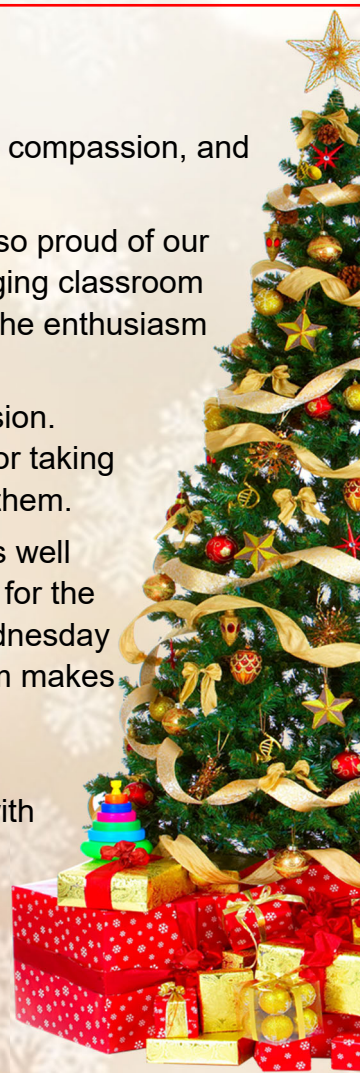
The school virtue that was highlighted this month was the virtue of compassion. Compassion is recognizing the needs/suffering of others and then wanting or taking action to help them. Ask your child what they feel compassion looks like to them.

The kindness and compassion of our school community is apparent daily as well as during this holiday season. The school did a great job of collecting items for the food bank. We collected three full boxes of items and sent them out on Wednesday morning. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who was able to give. Every item makes a difference.

On behalf of our entire staff, we wish you a joyful holiday season filled with warmth, love and happiness. We look forward to welcoming the new year with excitement and renewed energy. See everyone back on January 6th, rested and ready to go.

Sincerely,

Marlee Wilson
Principal



Mark your Calendars!

(Dates subject to change)

December

20 (F) Last day of Spirit Week

**23 to January 3—Winter Break—
No School**

January

6 (M) First Day of School after Winter Break

23 (Th) Informal Learning Updates go home

February

7 (F) Pro-D Day—**No School**

17 (M) Family Day—**No School**

26 (W) Pink Shirt Day

March

7 (F) Basketball Tournament

13 (Th) Formal Learning Updates go home

24 to April 4—Spring Break—No School

April

7 (M) First Day of School After Spring Break

18-21 (F-M) Easter Break—
No School

Student Supervisors!

Our Francois Lake Gr. 5/6/7s are amazing! Some of those kids have taken it on themselves to volunteer to help supervise both the Gr. K/1/2 class and the Gr. 3/4 class over lunch times!





CHRISTMAS SPIRIT DAYS



Monday
Red or
Green Day!



Tuesday
Christmas
Hat Day!



Wednesday
Christmas
Character
Day

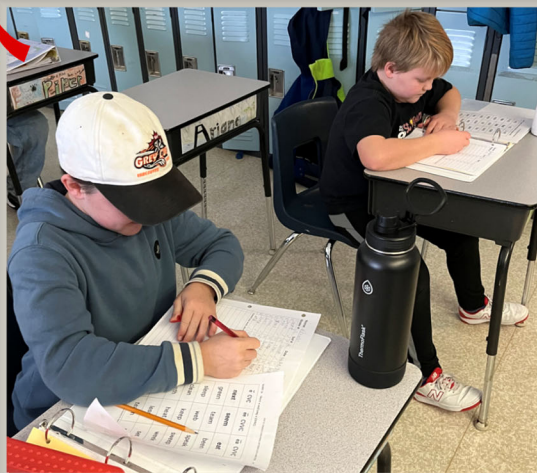


Thursday
Christmas
Sweater
Day



At FLES this week, students were...

Learning...



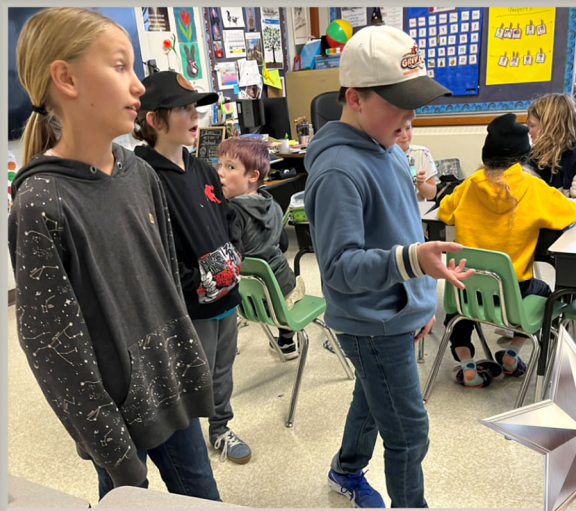
Team-working...



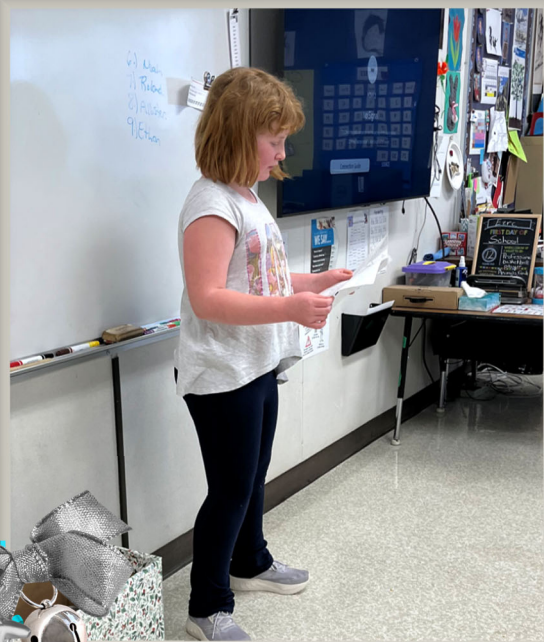
Practicing...



and practicing...



learning some more...



and helping.

We wish you all a very peaceful
and joyful Merry Christmas
and a happy New Year!

Next PAC meeting **Jan. 16 at 5:30 PM** in the MPR.
All parents are Welcome!

PAC Executive:

Amy Wainwright
Jessica Shively
Johanna Hayes
Ileasha Gooding
Jessi Jack
Amber Poffenroth

Chair
Vice Chair
Treasurer
Secretary
Co-Hot Lunch Coordinator
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Board Biz...



Superintendent's Report to the Board

Interim Superintendent Mike Skinner presented his monthly report at the Regular School Board Meeting on Monday, December 16, 2024.

You may find it under the Latest News heading at www.sd91.bc.ca.



Proposed 2024-25 Calendar Amendment – Public Feedback Welcome!

The Board of Education is seeking to amend the 2024-25 School Calendar to shift our Zone Pro-D Day from April 25 to April 11, 2025. Members of the public are invited to provide feedback before **4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 17, 2025.**

Please check out our [SD91 Yearly Calendar](http://www.sd91.bc.ca) webpage for more details.



Public Feedback Welcome!

The Board of Education is engaging in a Policy Re-Organization Project. Members of the public are invited to review the first step of this project (re-numbering existing policies) and provide feedback before **4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2025.**

Please check out our [Policies & Regulations](http://www.sd91.bc.ca) webpage for more details. www.sd91.bc.ca/69e70d92-09f6-4c77-bd55-3a85c8d67464

And the last word goes to:

The Grade 7 elfen-
helpers for their
initiative to clean up
after the Hot
Chocolate Fundraiser.
Everything was
sparkling after their
efforts!

