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No School Days

Nov. 11 – Remembrance Day
Nov. 20 – Pro D Day
Dec. 21-Jan. 1 – Winter Break
Feb. 5 – Pro D Day
Feb. 15 – Family Day
Mar. 15-29 – Spring Break
Apr. 16 – Pro D Day
May 7 – Pro D Day
May 24 – Victoria Day
Jun. 30 – Start of Summer Break

Mark your Calendars!
(Dates & events subject to change)

November

10 (T) Remembrance Day Ceremony 10:45 AM
11(W) Remembrance Day—**No School**
20 (F) Pro D Day—**No School**
25 (W) PAC Meeting 5:00 PM

December

4 (F) Volleyball Tournament
15 (T) Learning Updates Go Home
17 (Th) Christmas Concert 1 PM
21 to January 1—Winter Break

January

20 (W) PAC Meeting 5:30 PM

February

5 (F) Pro D Day – **No School**
15 Family Day – **No School**

March

2 (T) 1:30 PM "She Shoots, She Scores" Presentation
10 (W) Early Dismissal 11:53



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At Francois Lake School,
we take care of others, take care of ourselves, take care of this place.

Principal's Message

Hello Francois Families,

Fun couple weeks here at Francois. Between the Grade 7 bake sale fundraiser, a class party, our first sock hop, Halloween shenanigans, and the first bit of snow, it's been full and fun. I hope Halloween went well for you all at home and out in the community. It was wonderful to see the kids getting creative and enjoying some treats. I just hope they were not so lucrative at trick or treating that they have stockpiles to keep their sugar rushes going for too long!

Last newsletter I wrote about journalling as a form of regular writing practice. I didn't see any emails about pro-tips from other parents and guardians, but the offer is still open.

You may remember from last year that the school focused on a different virtue each month. We are revisiting this in our monthly assemblies. This month we are focusing on gratitude. An easy start is by reminding the students to practice showing it to those around them. Saying thank you to someone who helped you, gave you something, prepared food for you, etc. Or, a perfect tie into my bit about journalling too, you could encourage your child to journal about things they are grateful for each morning or evening. Or maybe a topic around the supper table? The students don't know this, but I have a secret goal that by the end of the month everyone will say thank you to Ms. Babych when they receive food from her in the morning without a reminder. We'll see!

I hope you have a wonderful next two weeks and that I'll get to meet some more of you at our Remembrance Day assembly on the 10th.

Mr. Rosenau
Principal



Remembrance Day

FLES will be observing Remembrance Day on Tuesday, November 10, 2026. Family, friends and community members are welcome to join us as we honour the sacrifices Canadians made and continue to make to keep us strong and free.

During the remembrance ceremony and presentations, our students learn why we remember and how to show our respect for the lives given for us.

We will open our doors at 10:45 AM. Please remember to remove hats and silence cell phones. Thank you.



Learning how to hide during the Lockdown Drill from the professionals! Our students asked lots of questions!



Junior Canucks Floor Ball Pro D

Our principal, Mr. Rosenau, attended a session on floor ball put on by Junior Canucks Floor Hockey on Friday, October 23, where he learned the differences between floor hockey and floor ball and polished his coaching and teaching skills with Lachlan Young from Engage Sport North and Drew Mitchell from Sport for Life.

After a morning spent learning more and improving his skills, Mr. Rosenau brought back to our school 32 brand new floor hockey sticks and a bundle of balls just so our students can learn floor ball that is wildly popular in Europe!



Playful Minds!

We have a newer, revised program of what used to be "Reading Club" that takes place twice daily. It's called, "Playful Minds". The morning session, before classes start, is hosted by Ms. Woode who encourages literacy through word games.





Halloween Sock Hop

Gr 7 Halloween Cookie fundraiser raised $74.75!







Halloween



Practicing Patterns

Our primary class is learning all about patterns. They've been on a mission to find patterns everywhere!



Leaping into autumn!

Primary students enjoying time outside playing with fallen leaves!

PAC Posts…

The next **PAC meeting** will be **Wed. Nov. 25** at 5:00 PM. All parents are welcome, and babysitting is provided! How do **YOU** want your kid's experience at school to be? Come have your say!

Meet our PAC Representatives!

Chair – Amy Wainwright
Vice Chair/Treasurer – Jess Shively
Secretary – Ileasha Gooding

Board Biz…

New Board of Trustees

Meet School District 91's new Board of Trustees:

Steve Davis
Nyree Hazelton
Manu Madhok
Nadine Frenkel
Angela Clause
Rick Pooley
Carroll Walker

And the last word goes to:

The intermediate class and Mrs. Wilejto for putting together **an absolutely *terrifying* haunted house** that EVERY student and staff was invited to experience!

😮 Well done!!!! 😮