



FALCONS

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This November, we are grateful, as a school community for the many opportunities we've had to learn and play together. Many students participated in our Remembrance Day Assembly. Our sincere thanks to Mrs. Velvet Hogarth for organizing and making this event respectfully memorable.

We are cheering on the Francois Lake Falcons at Decker Lake on Friday, December 1, 2023. A schedule will be sent home with all the team members next week. Many thanks to coaches Mrs. Aubree Ingram and Mr. Adam Hogarth.

Teachers are currently completing term assessments with students; Student Learning Updates will be going home on December 6, 2023. These updates will look a little bit different as each Learning Update will have the Core Competency and Goal Setting document attached. This document will show what student goals are in the domains of Communication, Thinking, and Personal and Social Responsibility. This is an opportunity for families to discuss the updates and encourage a growth mindset. We encourage all students to celebrate their successes and growth.

Student success is built upon the strong partnership between families and schools. The staff and administration at Francois Lake would like to remind families to feel free to reach out with any questions about Learning Updates or any upcoming school events.

Respectfully,
Sigrid Sollbach, Principal

Mark your Calendars!

24 Pro-D Day—No School

December

1 Volleyball Tournament at DLES—Gr 5/6/7

6 Term 1 Learning Updates go home

18-22 Christmas Spirit Week

20 Christmas Concert—1 PM

22 Christmas Spirit Day

25-Jan. 8 Winter Break—No School

January

26 Term 2 Learning Updates go home

February

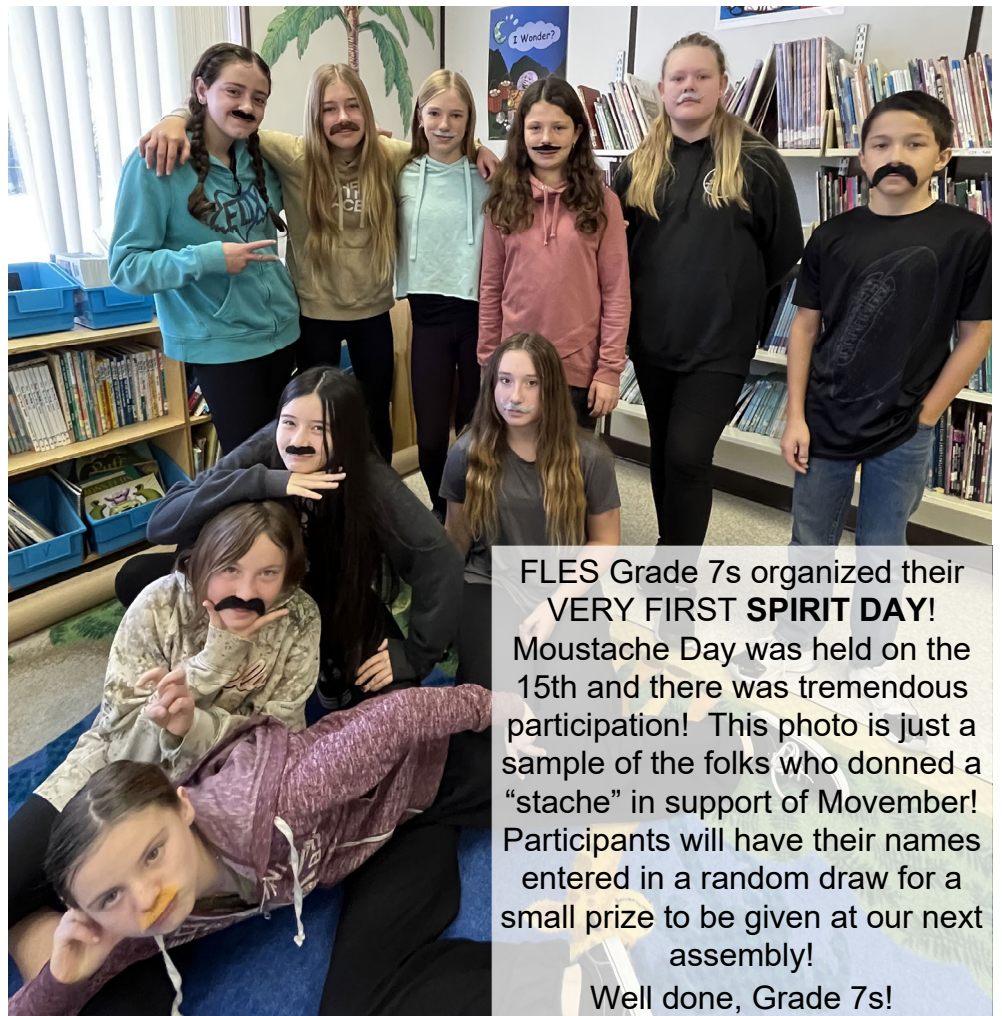
9 Pro-D Day—No School

19 Family Day—No School

21 District Science Fair—FLESS

28 Pink Shirt Day

March



FLES Grade 7s organized their **VERY FIRST SPIRIT DAY!** Moustache Day was held on the 15th and there was tremendous participation! This photo is just a sample of the folks who donned a "stache" in support of Movember! Participants will have their names entered in a random draw for a small prize to be given at our next assembly!

Well done, Grade 7s!

FLES Reports...

On Tuesday, November 14, 2023, **Science World** from Vancouver, came to our school and presented a demonstration on Fantastic Forces—push, pull, friction, and lift and how they affect our everyday lives. And of course a well-controlled fire show! Our Falcons loved it!



PAC Posts...

Next PAC meeting Jan. 17 at 6:00 PM in the MPR. All parents are Welcome!

Please remind your child that after-school playdates must be made the day before and followed up with a phone call by parents on the day. Thanks!

Meet Our PAC!

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| Amy Wainwright | President |
| Jessica Shively | Vice President |
| Johanna Hayes | Treasurer |
| Ileasha Gooding | Co-Secretary |
| Lisa Swales | Co-Secretary |
| | DPAC Rep |
| | Hot Lunch Coordinator |



Please remember to make sure your child is dressed for the weather! Cute can be cool, but sometimes, it's downright **COLD!** It's hats, mitts, warm footwear, and warm jackets season again!

Board Biz...



Proposed Policy Updates

The School District 91 Policy Committee is currently working on updates to **Policy 604.1 – Digital Technology, Consent and Privacy.**

If adopted, this new Policy 604.1 will replace the following existing policies:

- * 502.6 – Use of Cell Phones and Digital Devices
- * 604.1 – Digital Technology
- * 604.2 – Student Photograph/Video/Audio and Media Consent
- * 604.4 – District Technology and Network Access

Members of the public are welcome to review and encouraged to provide feedback prior to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9th [here](https://www.sd91.bc.ca) or on the 'Policies and Regulations' page at www.sd91.bc.ca.



Superintendent's Report to the Board

Superintendent Karla Mitchell presented her monthly report at the Regular School Board Meeting on November 13, 2023.

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

And the last word goes to:

Our Hot Lunch Helpers! They help our helper parents ensure students get their hot lunches on hot lunch days!

