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FEBRUARY - I AM HONEST

Each month we specifically highlight one of the character traits we wish to develop in our students and ourselves. For March the trait is HONESTY. We encourage our children to always tell the truth. Honesty is the best policy!

THAT MAKES SCENTS! 🕲

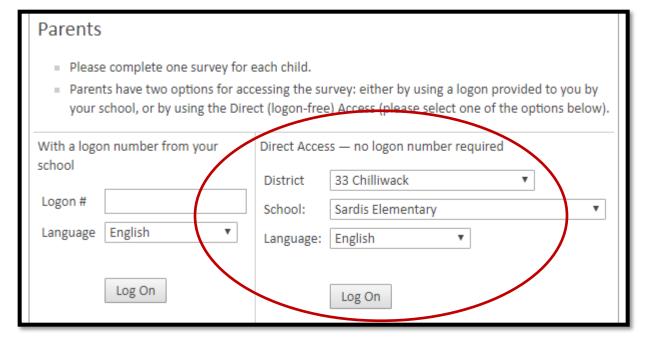


There are many students and staff members who have allergies or are adversely affected by strong smells. This includes things like perfumes, scented deodorants (ex. "Axe", "Old Spice"), strong smelling detergents and fabric softeners, scented hand creams, etc. You can support our efforts to help make Sardis Elementary an effective learning and working space by being "scent aware" and not coming to school or sending your child to school with strong scents. It makes a difference to the health and well-being of many. Thank you.

SURVEY

Each year the Ministry of Education provides a survey to collect information from students, staff and families regarding public schools in BC. You are encouraged to participate by logging into the web site at https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp

Use the "Direct Access" logon for the survey (see the box below). You have until April 15th to make your opinions heard.



Jump Rope for Heart

We came, we jumped, we set a record! This year, Sardis kids and families raised more money for the Heart & Stroke Foundation than ever before. We challenged kids to raise \$2500, and they raised over \$6500! Incredible!!!! Thank you for your support. Those who earned prizes will receive them in the weeks ahead.

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Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

The next PAC meeting will be on **Monday, April 8th at 7:00pm in our Library.** Everyone is welcome! To stay informed, you can also "Like" the "Sardis Elementary PAC" page on Facebook at

www.facebook.com/sardiselementary.

PAC EXECUTIVE: President – Lydia Paulger VP – Amy Brosinski

Secretary – Edna Sawatzky Treasurer – Shauna Graham

HOT LUNCH NOTE:

If you ordered a hot lunch for your child and your child is away on a hot lunch day, please contact the school before 12:00pm so we know what you want done with the food. You may either pick it up, or you may donate it to another child. If we do not hear from you we will assume you are NOT coming to get it and are willing to have it donated. Thank you.

Library Corner

In early March, the **Reading Link Competitio**n students will have an in-school practice competition run by staff from the FVRL public library. After that, we will narrow the team down to the six students who will represent Sardis Elementary at the District competition in April (with at least a dozen schools participating).

In honour of anti-bullying Pink Shirt Day, here are two great lists of books on the #BeKind theme...

Empathy books: https://tinyurl.com/y4kjj4cj
Wabi-sabi books: https://tinyurl.com/y6m2dbud

Curious about a few projects going on in the Library lately? How about sewing? Check out the monster stuffies project with Grade 5s: https://tinyurl.com/y5ddr8yu The KEVA Crew = building with mini wooden planks: https://tinyurl.com/y33v2auz

The wood & nails initial project with Gr 2s: https://tinyurl.com/y4trvhvm

And, of course, many new books were added to the Library collection in the last couple of months, there have been multiple Social Studies, Science, and Language Arts team-teaching lessons in the space, and many story time and book talk experiences for the students.

Future FYI: there will be a Book Fair in the Library near the May long weekend; more info to come closer to that time.

Looking for good book recommendations for kids? Curious to see a bit more of what happens in the Library? Follow Mr. Hunt on Instagram (& Twitter) under the handle @ExLibrisMrHunt

Registrations for 2019

The Chilliwack School District now accepts new registrations online <u>only</u>. This includes all new Kindergarten registrations. Check out the on-line registration process at http://www.sd33.bc.ca/e-registration

Coming events:	
March 10	Daylight Saving Time begins (turn clocks FORWARD one hour)
March 14	Spirit Day – <i>Throwback Thursday</i>
March 14	Report Cards go home
March 15	Science World assemblies!
March 15	Hot Lunch – <i>Windmill Deli</i>
March 16-31	Spring Break (no school)
April 1	Schools re-open
April 19	Good Friday (no school)
April 22	Easter Monday (no school)
April 23	Volunteer Appreciation
April 30	Class and Team Photos