



April 5, 2019

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April character trait – I am determined!

Volunteer Appreciation ~ Wednesday, April 24th (please note the change in date)

We appreciate all of the many volunteers who help make this school such a caring and joyful place. We want to celebrate you! If you have volunteered in any capacity at our school, consider yourself invited to this celebration. There will be tasty snacks and drinks, among other things. The celebration will be in the school Library from 2:30-3:30pm on Wednesday, April 24th. We hope to see you there!



IT'S HERE! The 2019 PURDY'S EASTER CATALOGUE



This is a VERY short fundraiser, as Easter is just around the corner! **DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS APRIL 8th**. Catalogues have been sent home with your child. Orders will be delivered to students on Thursday, April 18th (in a SEALED BAG they can't see through 😊). This fundraiser is to support students from Grade 3 who are going to Camp Squeah! If you'd like to support them through purchasing some very sweet Easter gifts for friends, family and yourself, you are welcome to order with the form that was sent home; please send cash or a cheque made payable to *Sardis Elementary*. If you prefer to order online, please click this link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/857715-64891>

After you've signed in, you can buy our amazing chocolates or invite others to join and support this Fundraising Campaign. We thank you for your amazing support!! HoPpY sHoPpInG 🐰



POPCORN SALE ~ April 11th

Mrs. Neufeld's Grade 3 class is having another popcorn sale as a fundraiser for their Camp Squeah trip. Popcorn will be sold at lunch on Thursday, April 11th (with pre-sales to our younger students). \$1 per bag.

"BREAK THE RULES DAY" ~ April 25th

The Grade 3 classes are sponsoring "Break the Rules Day" again as a **fundraiser** for Camp Squeah. Students can purchase the right to do things they normally cannot do at school. A sample form is attached. Each \$1 donation gives the student permission to "break" one rule.

BREAK THE RULES SNACKS! On May 23rd, Ms. Rempel's and Ms. Kadar's classes will be attending a field trip to the Greater Vancouver Zoo. To help parents offset the cost of the trip, the two classes will be holding a fundraising event during "Break The Rules Day" on **Thursday, April 25th**. Items for sale will include: gum, chips, freezies and cookies. Everything will be \$1. Thank you for supporting our field trip!

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

The next PAC meeting will be this **Monday, April 8th at 7:00pm in our Library**. Everyone is welcome! Check out the "Sardis Elementary PAC" page on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/sardiselementary.

PAC EXECUTIVE:

President – Lydia Paulger
Secretary – Edna Sawatzky

VP – Amy Brosinski
Treasurer – Shauna Graham

Grade 5 Parent Information Night at Vedder Middle School (6:15pm)

If you have a Grade 5 student and want to hear more about your child's new school and the transition to middle school, be sure to attend this event in the VMS Gym on Wednesday, April 10th at 6:15pm.

THAT MAKES SCENTS! ☹️

Second reminder: There are many students and staff members who have allergies or are adversely affected by strong smells. This includes things like **perfumes, strongly 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 big difference to the health and well-being of many. Thank you!



STUDENT YOGA CLUB

Once again we are hosting a lunch time **Yoga Club**. The focus is on stretching and mindfulness. The yoga instructor comes once a week starting Thursday, April 11th, and the club will run for 8 weeks from 12:25-12:55. There is no charge to students. PAC has already provided the mats. Students only need to be wearing loose fitting clothes and bring a water bottle if they want. This is open to any student in Grades 3-5.

MUNCH-A-LUNCH!

The hot lunch ordering system is opening soon for lunch orders in April, May and June. April 26 = Jim's Pizza; May 10 = Taco Del Mar; May 24 = Maru Sushi; June 7 = Jim's Pizza; June 21 = Windmill Deli
Go online to <https://munchalunch.com/> to order for your child.

HOT LUNCH NOTE:

If you order a hot lunch for your child but then realize your child is going to be away on 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

On Tuesday, April 9th, our **Reading Link Challenge Team** will be attending the multi-school competition hosted by the Fraser Valley Regional Library in Yarrow. Our final team is made up of the following members: Sawyer G., Charlotte K., Cole C., Nashota U., Cooper T., Mohammad M., and Rory T. Best wishes to them all!

Coming soon to a Library near you...

A **Scholastic Book Fair** will be hosted in the Library from May 21st to 24th (the week following the Victoria Day long weekend). One day will be for set up, one day for previews, and sales will only occur on the Thursday and Friday. More information will be sent home closer to those dates. *As always, Mr. Hunt would very much appreciate the help of five or six parent volunteers for the sales days.*

Save the Dates! Spread the Word! This is advance notice that Mr. Hunt will once again be offering special **Preschool Storytime Sessions** towards the end of the school year as a way to get incoming kindergarteners comfortable and familiar with the school. Those sessions will be from 8:30-9:40am on the following Mondays: May 27th, June 3rd, and June 10th. More information will be provided to K registrants closer to those dates.

Check these out! New and exciting books:

https://www.instagram.com/p/BvvTMzihc1d/?utm_source=ig_share_sheet&igshid=jpw2s3vtxcgg

https://www.instagram.com/p/Bvr-Q28BFk/?utm_source=ig_share_sheet&igshid=jpgtm55onend

Those are just a few offerings; for more book love, follow Mr. Hunt on Instagram under the handle @ExLibrisMrHunt.

Registrations for 2019

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

SURVEY

Second reminder: 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.

Parents

- Please complete one survey for each child.
- Parents have two options for accessing the survey: either by using a logon provided to you by your school, or by using the Direct (logon-free) Access (please select one of the options below).

With a logon number from your school

Logon #

Language

Direct Access — no logon number required

District

School:

Language:

Integrated Arts and Technology School Concept Feedback

The Chilliwack School District would like your feedback on the proposed Integrated Arts and Technology School of Choice (located on the old UFV campus on Yale Road near Airport Road). We are using an online platform called ThoughtExchange where you can share your thoughts independently and confidentially, and you can consider and rate the thoughts shared by others. The deadline date for the online forum is Friday, May 3rd, 2019. All feedback will be collated and provided back to the Board of Education as per the Board motion that was passed on January 15, 2019:

“THAT the Board of Education approve in principle a new Integrated Arts school of choice for grades 8-12 and a public consultation process to assist in developing a vision for the new school to be located at 45635 Yale Road.”

There are two ways to participate in the forum (**no login is required, please select “continue” and agree to the terms of use on the opening page, and then select “participate”**):

1. Select the link and participate <https://my.thoughtexchange.com/#645521255>
2. Participate in this exchange by navigating to <https://www.thoughtexchange.com/>, clicking JOIN in the top right-hand corner and entering the following 9-digit code: 645-521-255

Thank you for your participation!

Coming events:

April 8	Purdy's orders due
April 10	Grade 5 Parent Information Night at Vedder Middle (6:15pm)
April 11	Popcorn Sale at lunch
April 18	Easter Spirit Day
April 18	Purdy's orders delivered
April 19	Good Friday (no school)
April 22	Easter Monday (no school)
April 24	Volunteer Appreciation Social (2:30-3:30pm)
April 25	"Break the Rules Day" fundraiser
April 26	Hot Lunch (Jim's Pizza)
April 30	Class and Team Photos
	<small>Secret message: "April showers bring May flowers"</small>
May 3	<i>Professional Development Day (no school)</i>
May 10	<i>Hot Lunch (Taco Del Mar)</i>
May 17	<i>Non-instructional Day (no school)</i>
May 20	<i>Victoria Day holiday (no school)</i>
May 21-24	Book Fair in the Library
May 24	"Twin Day" Spirit Day
May 24	Hot Lunch (Maru Sushi)
May 29	<i>Early dismissal @ 11:30am</i>