

Fraser River Middle School recognizes and acknowledges the Qaygayt First Nations, as well as all Coast Salish peoples, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to 2024 FRMS Families! I hope that the Winter Break brought the opportunity for rest and time with those you love. Thank you to Mr. Dimond, Mr. Silverman, Ms. Dowdell, and Ms. Oke for all your work organizing the school-wide events for our students throughout December. Thank you to our PAC for providing the coffee and cookie treat. Thank you also to Mr. Preston, Ms. Dowdell, and Division 14. They planned and executed an entrepreneurial fair where they made and sold goods. A portion of the proceeds went to charity.

In the first week back, we welcomed students and started 2024 with assemblies . In these assemblies, we took the opportunity to gather as a community and review, re-teach, and celebrate success with our schoolwide expectations and SOAR. In addition, we formally shared our School Learning Plan with the students and the two falcon designs that were produced by artist Elinor Atkins. I would like to thank our families for taking the time to vote on the falcon design that they felt best represented FRMS. I have included the design that FRMS will use moving forward below. A special thanks to Sherry Bellerose, Indigenous Student Leadership, and the Reconciliation Committee for their hard work in this process. We also had the FRMS Drama Club production on January 16<sup>th</sup>." Check, Please!" was a hit and well attended by our families and school. Thank you to Mr. Pilger, Ms. Dowdell, and Mr. Rotor-Murphy.

On January 24<sup>th</sup>, we have an exciting event called Toonies for Tummies. Students will receive a healthy breakfast prepared by grocery retailers and individuals from the companies who support the campaign. Breakfast Club of Canada is a recipient of donations from The Grocery Foundation's <u>Toonies for Tummies campaign.</u> . Toonies for Tummies is enabled by a number of grocery retailers and companies that manufacture food, beverage, and consumer goods in Canada. It is also supported by Global News.

We are extremely fortunate to have several educational in February. On February 7<sup>h</sup>, students will complete a Get REAL Anti-Racism workshop. February is Black History month and this will provide an excellent opportunity to identify, unlearn, and combat anti-Black racial bias and discrimination. It will also allow students and facilitators to share experiences and ask questions.

I look forward to seeing families in the school on January 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> for Student-Led conferences and on February 8<sup>th</sup> for the Safer Spaces Parent Presentation led by Children of the Street. This presentation builds on the October student presentation.

Yours in learning, Ms. J. Davis

# DATES TO

Jan 24 & 25.. Early Dismissal 12:10

...... ... ... Student Lead Conferences

Feb 5...... PAC Meeting In person and on .....ZOOM—7pm

Feb 16..... Non Instructional Day- School Closed

Feb 19..... Family Day - No School

Feb 28 .... . Pink Shirt Day

March 4 ... PAC Meeting In person and on

..... **ZOOM** -7pm

March 13.. Second Term Report Card available online

## The FRMS Yearbook is on sale!

Early bird price - \$30 December 1 to January 31, 2024

Regular price - \$35 by February 13, 2024

You can place your order online through

https://www.schoolcashonline.com/

## Reporting Student Absences

If your child(ren) are going to away all day, or part of the day, please inform the school a head of time by calling 604-517-1800 or

You can complete online at—<a href="https://fraserriverschool.ca/report-a-student-">https://fraserriverschool.ca/report-a-student-</a> absence/

## 2024—2025 Course Planning Parent Information Virtual Presentation

Thank you to everyone that was able to join the live course planning information presentation on Tuesday Jan 9th.

If you missed it, you can see a recording of the presentation.

Grade 9 Information Session

#### FRMS PAC MEETING

The next PAC Meeting is February 5th at 7:00 pm in person or on zoom:

Meeting ID: 869 0596 8594

Passcode: 137926





## Pancake Breakfast

If you would like to volunteer to help with the Pancake Breakfast on February 28th,

please contact Principal Jen Davis at

opancake (breakfast

jdavis@sd40.bc.ca

## **DPAC** Information

Parents please visit the District Parent Advisory Council Website for important District News

Nwdpac.ca

## Student Leadership Fundraiser

FRMS Student Leadership has partnered with The Mama McCready Cookie for our next fundraiser! The Mama McCready Cookie is manufactured by Delish Gluten Free. It is a certified GF and Peanut Free facility meaning that this cookie can be enjoyed for those who cannot eat gluten or nuts. The cookies do contain Dairy (Milk, Eggs) and Soy.

The proceeds of the cookies will support FRMS Grade 8 Year End events and Variety the Children's Charity. Purchase a delicious cookie for \$5.00!

Cookies can be purchased through School Cash.

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#### Lunar New Year at FRMS

Ring in the Year of the Dragon.
Monday Feb 5th 3:15-5:15pm
Dumpling Making

### <u>| Youth Over Nighter @ The Youth Centre</u>

Sat Feb 10 7:45pm—Sun Feb 11 9am \$20 for members, \$25 for non members

Youth Skates—8:15—9:45pm Moody Park—Cash Only \$2.00 Feb 10 and March 2



#### Drop In at FRMS

Monday—Specialty Sampler 3:15 -5:15
Wednesday—Leaders in Training 3:15-5:15
Friday— 3:15—9:00

Drop-In fee of \$1.00 or use your Mem-

#### The Children of the Street, Safer Spaces

Presentation for Families will take place on Thursday February 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Families will have the option to join virtually or at FRMS in the Multipurpose Room. We are looking forward to coming together to discuss keeping our students safe online.

Zoom Link Meeting ID: 822 9950 1539

Passcode: 345079

### PINK SHIRT DAY

Pink-shirt day will take place on February 28th and we encourage all students to wear pink to school to show support for antibullying.



