

Friday, Nov. 25th - Assembly at 1:10pm and Popcorn Day
Friday, Dec. 2nd - Pizza Day
Tuesday, Dec. 6th - Concert Tickets go home with the 1st term report card document
Friday, Dec. 9th - Winterfest 4-6pm in gym
Tuesday, Dec. 13th - Concert dress rehearsal starting at 12:30pm
Wednesday, Dec. 14th and Thursday, 15th - Concert, performances at 1:15pm
Friday, Dec. 16th - Last day of school, 10:30am Assembly; student dismissal at 2:50pm
Tuesday, Jan. 3rd - School reopens 8:40am

DON'T FORGET TO SEND IN YOUR CONCERT TICKET REQUEST FORM even if you are not planning to attend. Tickets will be going home on December 6th with the oldest or only child inside the 1st term report envelope. Please remember that tickets will be collected at both performances as well as at the dress rehearsal.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

A reminder that current information regarding inclement weather will be updated continuously on the **Greater Victoria School District 61 website** at <http://www.sd61.bc.ca/>. Within the Greater Victoria School District, the Superintendent of Schools will provide media outlets with information about the status of our facilities and transportation services by 6:30 a.m. if there is a concern. Local media outlets, **CFAX or CBC radio**, have indicated that they will provide constant information.

Are your children at school?? Call Back

Every morning your child's teacher takes attendance and sends this to the office. This list is then checked against the messages left on the call back line. Your message is vital in helping our Callback Parents to quickly account for all our children! Volunteer Parents call every family of students for whom they have not received a message to explain their absence and are not accounted for.

Please call the 24 hour callback line at **250-477-3392** if your **child is going to be absent or late!** Please speak slowly, clearly, spell your child's last name and state the division or teacher's name. Thank you for your help. A special thanks to our Callback Parents for making sure all of our children are safe and accounted for! *This includes late arrivals!* Thanks also to all our parents who regularly leave messages on our callback line.

CHILDREN ARRIVING LATE TO SCHOOL - Please remember to have your child sign the late sheet in the office upon arrival. Thank you.

EXTENDED WINTER BREAK?

Will you be having an extended winter break? Please leave a message with your child's teacher or on the callback line at 250-477-1804 or email the school at frankhobbs@sd61.bc.ca so that we know the whereabouts of your child(ren). Thanks for your help!

FINN & IZZY DONATIONS TO PAC

Do your children need shoes? Have you tried Finn & Izzy's at 2259 Oak Bay Avenue? Finn & Izzy's will donate \$5.00 to our school PAC for every pair of regular priced shoes purchased at \$40 or more! Check it out!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our Scholastic Book Fair was a tremendous success! Thank you to all our parent and staff volunteers for all the help you provided, it would not have been such a success without your help. All of our classes and library have benefited from our Book Fair! Thank you everyone!

DONATION BOXES WILL BE AT THE FRONT DOOR FOR:

***Streetlink Shelter**- Do you have blankets, towels, sheets, pillowcases, socks (mismatched socks work too), gloves or mitts, and toiletries that you are no longer using? **Streetlink Shelter** can use all of these items. **Mrs. Barlow** and **Mrs. Anderson** will collect them and deliver any items to Streetlink. Thanks for your support!

***Mustard Seed Donations**- Any donations of non-perishible food items would be greatly appreciated. These items will be picked up by Mustard Seed to distribute to those in need. Thank you!

***A Tree For The Animals**- Each year the Frank Hobbs has a tree for the animals that are being taken care of the SPCA. You can look on the SPCA website (spca.bc.ca) to see the wish lists. Some SPCA items: Friskies or Fancy Feast wet cat food, towels, blankets, toilet paper rolls, pine cones, cat toys, and dog toys. The animals thank you!

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1000 Books by Age Five

Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

Reading to Wee Ones Makes all The Difference! A very special thanks to families who have sent in so many beautiful books for the Children's Book Project.

Before the delivery of fresh fruit and vegetables to the students, Grade 5 students practice their oral reading with **Mrs. Marshall** of the interesting information provided by our parent **Cathy Boraston**. The students then read this information on daily announcements prior to the delivery of the featured fresh fruit or vegetable. On Nov. 8th, **Max G. and Abby M.** educated students and staff about **tomatoes**. Ask your child/ren what they learned about the delicious tomatoes they enjoyed eating that day. Also, talk with your child/ren about what new fact/s they learned from our readers **Cella A. and Danika L.** about the **Bartlet pears** they ate recently.

This week's fruit delivery was **Asian pears**. The information about the **Asian pear** was researched from the internet. Together, **Mrs. Marshall** and the two students **Max O. and Kevin H.**, adjusted the vocabulary for our students and rehearsed the oral reading---with a particular emphasis on careful attention to punctuation. The students then read this information on two separate daily announcement days when the featured fresh fruit was delivered.

Ask your child/ren what they learned about the delicious **Asian pears** they just enjoyed eating. Also, talk with your child/ren about what new fact/s they learned from our readers about how **Asian pears** are different from **European pears**.