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We have had a great start to our new year. With renewed energy, the staff and students have been busy revisiting their school and personal learning goals. A variety of extra-curricular activities such as Mad Science, Sports for Kids, Drama, Knitting and Basketball started up in January. During the Ministry Curriculum Implementation day on Jan 28, Prospect Lake teachers joined the entire SD63 staff and attended Dr. Bern's workshop on the new curriculum and then into break out groups on Literacy assessment and Indigenous Education. We had a great turn out for our whole school skating field trip and for our Family Literacy Day on Jan 25. There were some fantastic literary character costumes on site and in our photo booth. Thank you to those who were able to join us. As always, we are grateful for our partnerships with our families and community in making Prospect Lake a wonderful learning place to learn.



Sincerely,
Anita Ko
Principal

CALENDAR

Feb 5 Whole school assembly
Feb 7 and 8 Div 1 Seed sale
Feb 15 Pro-d Tri-district
Feb 18 Family Day
Feb 19 Winter Carnival Celebrations
Feb 19 PAC meeting 7 pm
Feb 25 Gr. 4/5 Symphony field trip
Feb 26 Whole school assembly
Feb 27 Power of Pink Day
Feb. 28 Early Dismissal @ 1:48 pm
March 13 Swim Meet
March 14 Science Fair
Mar 18 – April 1 Spring Break



KINDERGARTEN

REGISTRATION continues...

We were excited to greet the new families who registered at Prospect Lake for 2019/20 at the Kindergarten orientation night on Jan 23 and during registration week at the school. Any further registrations will need to occur at the School Board Office located on Keating X Road. If you require further information, feel free to call us at school 250-727-3314 or at the School Board Office at 250-652-7300.



POWER OF PINK Feb 27

As part of Prospect Lake Beliefs, we *take care of ourselves, each other and this place*. We focus on acceptance, kindness and respectful interactions with one another. Everyday our students and staff work to live our beliefs. The Power of Pink (also known as Pink day) will be on Feb 27 and carries a message that ties well with our work around Kindness and Respect. Students and staff are welcome to wear Pink on this day to support "Power of Pink Day".

WINTER WEATHER

Please remind your children to dress for our west coast weather. A warm jacket and boots for the expected wet or cold weather are important as we go outside in all kinds of weather. Extra clothes in the backpack can be helpful if they get muddy or cold.

Please have a look at the district website for information regarding inclement weather and school closures.

<https://www.sd63.bc.ca/news/2013-12/information-regarding-inclement-weather>

BASKETBALL

Thank you to Mrs. Harward, Mrs. Bossence and Mrs. Russell for organizing and supporting our basketball teams. We have approximately 30 Grade 4/5 students participating. They have been practicing at lunch and playing games against other schools in the District. They will conclude their season with a Jamboree afternoon on March 8 at Royal Oak Middle school.



SWIMMING

Our school swim team continues to practice after school on Mondays. It is fantastic to see all the improvements with our swimmers at their third swim meet recently. They will conclude their season with a District Swim Meet in the afternoon of March 13 at Commonwealth Pool. Thank you to Mrs. Sinats, Mrs. Lail, and Mrs Gladwin for your support with this team.



KNITTING

We have 60 students participating. Thanks to Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Bailey, Mr Ball and Grandma Pat for organizing this activity. Grade 1 and 2 students and Grades 3-5 meet on alternate Wednesdays at lunch. Mrs. Schwann comes back to volunteer too.

DRAMA CLUB

We are excited to work in partnership with Kaleidoscope theater. We have 37 intermediate students who have been practising character development and voice on Tuesdays at lunch. Stay tuned for details on their production called "**Juke Box Time Machine**" coming in early April. Thanks to Ms. Ko, Ms. Gregory and Mr. Ball for helping with this group.



DANCE

There will be an opportunity on Mondays at lunch for Grade 1 and 2 students to participate in dance starting Feb 11. Thank you to Ms. Ashcroft for organizing and teaching dance to our eager students.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Our focus for the next three months includes working and sharing learning from our students around our Core Competencies:

- Communication
- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Personal and Social Responsibility



YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS

Div 1 embarked on an inquiry journey this month... Their inquiry question was ***How can we support a sustainable garden?*** In the process, the class learned about advertisement, budgets and created products to sell.

On Feb 7 and 8 at lunch, students will be selling their products to raise money for our school garden. The seeds for sale were harvested from Prospect Lake garden.

- Pea, pumpkin, sunflower, bean seeds \$1
- Garden gnomes \$2 -\$3
- Garden Journal and Flower pencils \$1-3
- Dog leashes \$8

Come support this great project and our school garden.

