

# THE BULLDOG



YARROW COMMUNITY SCHOOL

## EMBRACE THE JOURNEY

WHAT'S IN THIS  
MONTH'S ISSUE:  
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We are well on our way, and the journey has not been too rocky, in-fact we have had an amazing journey so far. There are a few tweaks that we continue to do but for the most part we are running a strong course. Remembrance Day is one of my favourite assembly's and due to the assembly restrictions we will be holding this event outside. We will be gathering in the back field for a time of remembrance and celebrating friendships. Stay tune for more information.

We are at the mid point of the term which means that you will be receiving an interm report, the first week of November. At this time we are not having face to face interviews but you will have an opportunity connect with your child's teacher on Thursday Nov. 4th if you wish. Instructions will be sent through your child's teacher

### Novmeber

2 Picture Retakes  
1-4 Interm week

5 early dismissal  
10 Remembrance  
day assembly

11 Holiday  
12 Pro D Day

25 HOT LUNCH

26 Pro D Day



## Terry Fox



Thank you for all your support we managed to raise over \$1200 to go toward the Cancer Foundation. It was great to have Daryl Fox join us.

The Lions are collecting donations for poppies

Teacher will be collecting  
coins until Nov. 10

# SOCCER

**A big thank you to Mr, Gregory for coaching the soccer team this year. The team had a great time and got to practice their skills during the games. Thank you to all the parents that also came out to support the team and drive to the games**

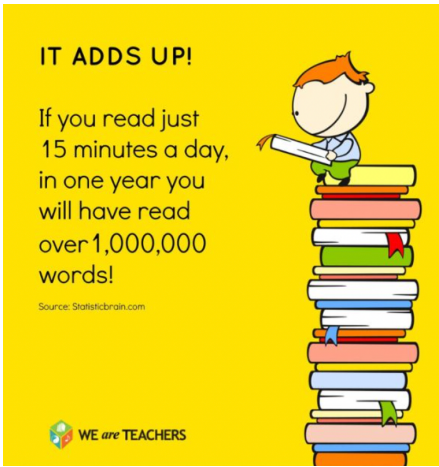
## Book Fair!

The Book Fair is coming November 30-December 2!  
Like last year classes will be coming in groups at designated times on all three days. The book fair will only be open during those times. There will be a virtual option again that goes from November 30- December 6 which will allow parents to order from home (<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5163167>).  
The only difference is, books will be shipped to the school instead of your house for virtual orders. Be looking for flyers coming home soon with some sneak peeks of the books! Updates will be posted on our website and the Yarrow PAC Facebook page as we get closer to the event.

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# Super Reader

We are in full swing with Super Reader. Many students have brought in their first 50 nights and some are very close! All students Grade 1-5 should find their sheets in the front of their planner, while Kindergarten has been receiving sheets for each 50 nights that they finish. Mrs. Falk’s goal for the school would be for everyone to reach AT LEAST 100 nights by the end of the school year so keep on reading!



## OCTOBER TERRY FOX, MASK PARADE, CUSTOME DAY





# CURRICULUM UPDATE

## WHAT ARE CORE COMPETENCIES?

### Unpacking the three Core Competencies



**Communication** -The Communication competency encompasses the knowledge, skills, processes and dispositions we associate with interactions with others. Through their communication, students acquire, develop and transform ideas and information, and make connections with others to share their ideas, express their individuality, further their learning, and get things done. The communication competency is fundamental to finding satisfaction, purpose and joy.

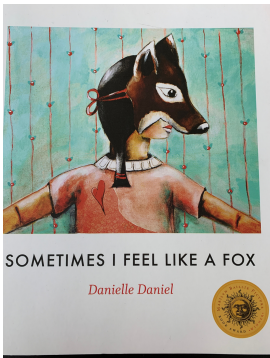


**Thinking** - The Thinking competency encompasses the knowledge, skills and processes we associate with intellectual development. It is through their competency as thinkers that students take subject-specific concepts and content and transform them into a new understanding. Thinking competence includes specific thinking skills as well as habits of mind, and metacognitive awareness. These are used to process information from a variety of sources, including thoughts and feelings that arise from the subconscious and unconscious mind and from embodied cognition, to create new understandings.



**Personal and Social** - The Personal and Social competency is the set of abilities that relate to students' identity in the world, both as individuals and as members of their community and society. Personal and social competency encompasses what students need to thrive as individuals, to understand and care about themselves and others, and to find and achieve their purposes in the world.

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies>



Totem Animals and Their Meanings	
Bear	brave
Deer	loving
Beaver	determined
Butterfly	vulnerable
Moose	strong
Owl	wise
Rabbit	creative
Turtle	patient
Wolf	loyal
Porcupine	curious
Raven	truthful
Fox	clever



Communication, thinking and problem solving are now weaved into all the subject areas. These competencies support student engagement and break down the process. Students focus on inquiry, exploration and discovery. A great example of this was our school wide Mask project based on the book, "Sometimes I feel like a Fox". Each student identified with an animal and teachers talked about their characteristics. Students then visited our Art Studio and came up with unique animal masks. I was so amazed at the product that each student produced. It was also amazing for students to see each other's creations in the mask parade that was held last week.



# PAC NEWS

This year is flying by us! I cannot believe it is already November. Thank you everyone for coming out and supporting PAC. We had an amazing turn out of people to the October meeting! It was so great to see all the faces both in person and virtual. Those of you attending virtual we do have a plan to greatly improve that aspect for next meeting we apologize it was not up to par yet. November is a busy month for us as we get ready to celebrate the holidays! I have been overwhelmed by the generosity to the Pay it forward Program. You all have gone above and beyond! To stay in the know visit the PAC Facebook page, PAC Website, email updates, and if you have Instagram find us there!

## UPCOMING with PAC:

November 1 : Growing smiles fundraiser will begin! Get all your holiday greenery and poinsettias and help support the Yarrow PAC. Flowers and greenery will be delivered November 30th along with Purdys

November 1: Purdy's chocolate fundraiser starts! We are dividing the orders up by kids class! Whichever class raises the most money will get a special dessert for their class on Pizza Day in December! Chocolates will be delivered November 30th in time to go home with the Christmas greenery.

Safety Reflector sales: Coming soon – proceeds from these will go towards safety aspects at the school! These are super cute reflectors you can clip onto your child's back pack to make them more visible in these dark months.

## Hot Lunch! November 26th.

Last day to order November hot lunch will be on November 16th!

PAC meeting hybrid in person and zoom: November 30th @7pm

## Volunteers:

November 26th : hot lunch volunteers

November 29th in the morning: We will need volunteers to help offload the growing smiles greenery.

November 29th afternoon: Purdy's chocolate sorting.

Please see the volunteer sign up sheet on the PAC school website.

We would love to have you join us for our next PAC meeting on

Tuesday November 30th @ 7PM. -Your YCS PAC Execs