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OCTOBER

Growing & Learning Together

October Dates

- Grade 4's write FSA this Month
- 7 Pro D Day -School Not In Session
- 10 Thanksgiving Monday
- 20 Terry Fox Run
- 27~ PAC meeting @7
- 21 Pro D Day -School Not In Session
- 31 Costume Parade



Mission Statement

THE MISSION OF YARROW COMMUNITY: A COOPERATIVE DEDICATED COMMUNITY TEAM THAT IS DEDICATED TO EMPOWER THE CHILDREN TO BECOME SELF-RELIANT PROBLEM SOLVERS AND RISK TAKERS HAVING THE NECESSARY KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ATTITUDES TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS BY PROVIDING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT, RECOGNIZING AND VALUING THE UNIQUENESS OF ALL STUDENTS AND DEVELOPING OUTSTANDING PROGRAMS WITH MEANINGFUL ACTIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCES.



BELIEFS

YARROW COMMUNITY SCHOOL SEEKS TO CREATE INTELLECTUAL, PERSONAL AND SOCIAL SUCCESS FOR ALL LEARNERS THROUGH CULTIVATING A CULTURE OF CONNECTEDNESS AND RESPONSIBILITY. WE STRIVE TO ACHIEVE A COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS THAT ENCOURAGES INDIVIDUALS TO DEEPEN THEIR THINKING AND LEARNING WITHIN A WELCOMING AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT.



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GROWING AND LEARNING TOGETHER.



GOALS

- TO IMPROVE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING THROUGH HIGH QUALITY INSTRUCTION
- TO IMPROVE LITERACY SKILLS FOR ALL STUDENTS
- TO IMPROVE THINKING SKILLS FOR ALL STUDENTS
- TO IMPROVE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY DEMONSTRATED BY ALL STUDENTS

DISTRICT CORE VALUES

How are we holding them up in our work?

1. **Equality** - We commit to ensure that everyone receives the required support and experiences they need to be successful and fulfill their potential.
2. **Kindness** - We demonstrate caring, compassion and empathy towards everyone in order to create a spirit of connectedness in our community.
3. **Inclusion** - We believe that meaningful inclusion is a right and we support all learners to feel safe, supported and connected through programming that promotes diversity and personalization.
4. **Collaboration** - With open hearts and minds we listen to each other and work together to achieve our shared goals.
5. **Innovation** - We will continue to be curious, creative and open to new ideas so that we can produce high-quality learning outcomes across the system.

We have been so fortunate to enjoy the blue skies that September has brought our way. We are so thankful for the community that our school is situated in. This year we will be focusing in on connections. That is connections between staff, student and community. We want to foster a safe and inclusive learning environment. The first activity we did as a community was our school hike. It was so nice to see all the parents joining us. We know there will be many more opportunities to take part in your child's education.

Ms. Johnson has been doing a great job keeping the office organized. She is in the process of updating all your information. Please take time to look over the verification form that was sent home and get it back to the office as soon as possible. If there is any custody orders that we need to have please provide them as well. Safety is of the upmost importance. Please make sure that the people on your contact list are the people that are picking up your child.

**UNDER
CONSTRUCTION**

This is the second year of our school districts strategic plan.

As a school we are taking a closer look at our Mission and Belief statements and pairing them down - any wordsmithing ideas are welcome

Terry Fox Run



This year we are running the Terry Fox run on Thursday the 20th of October at 1:00. We would love it if you planned on joining us. The school will be selling the Terry Fox t-shirt as well as doing a coin drive. Bring in your coins in on the 17th, 18th and 19th. If we rise \$500 Mr. Tee will shave his head.

T-shirt order forms went home with the oldest child please contact the office if you would like to order one.



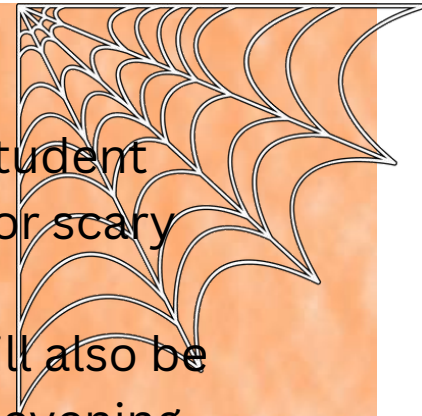
Library News



The first 50 nights of Super Reader can start being handed in on Tuesday, October 25.

Halloween

This year the festive day falls on a Monday. Student may wear a costume but we ask for no masks or scary content. We will hold a costume parade in the afternoon- more details to follow. The PAC will also be putting together a Trunk or Treat event in the evening. Stay tune for more details as well.



FSA

The Foundation Skills Assessment is an annual province-wide assessment of all B.C. students' academic skills in grades 4 and 7, and provides parents, teachers, schools, school districts and the ministry with important information on how well students are progressing in the foundation skills of Literacy and Numeracy.

For more information see

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/assessment/foundation-skills-assessment>



Parking Lot Safety



The beginning and end of the school day can be quite busy. In order to keep all our students safe we have made some changes to our bus loop. Please make sure that if you are in the bus loop that you **STAY IN YOUR CAR**. There is no more waiting on the left hand side of the loop. Please park if you want to escort your child to or from the school.

Also please make sure that you adhere to the speed zones of the school.



September Memories



United Way
British Columbia

Working with communities in BC's
Interior, Lower Mainland, Central
& Northern Vancouver Island

Hi Neighbour!

As we get ready to say goodbye to summer
and welcome in fall, you may already be
thinking of a list of things to do in the
community.

Perhaps you have an idea for a project or club
that could make a difference in your
community. Whether it's bringing neighbours
together to solve a problem or strengthen
relations, United Way BC's Local Love Fund
can help you make that idea a reality.

Please reach out to talk about your ideas!
Coffee is on me!

Much Love, Your United Way BC
Community Builder

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