



École Frank Ross Elementary



<http://efr.sd59.bc.ca> or



September 6, 2024

~ IMPORTANT DATES ~

~ Thursday, September 12 – Meet the Staff.

~ Monday, September 16 – PAC Meeting 6:00 pm at the school.
All parents are encouraged to attend!!

~ September 17 –19 – School pictures!

~ Friday, September 20 – Terry Fox Run

~ Friday, September 27 - Orange Shirt Day

~ Monday, September 30 – No School for the Truth and Reconciliation Day stat holiday

~ Monday, October 14 – No school for the Thanksgiving Holiday



We are inviting families to the school to visit your child's classroom and meet the school staff. Thursday, September 12 teachers will be in their classrooms from 4:30 – 5:30 ready to meet and chat with parents and students. The school will be providing food in the front of the school from 5:00 to 6:00 pm. We hope to see you there!

Reminder to parents: If you are coming into the school at any time, we ask that you use the front entrance and check in at the office. This is an important part of our student safety plan.

The PAC looking for parent volunteers to help with the Munch program on Friday mornings. Please contact ecolefrankrosspac@gmail.com for more information



Wildfire Smoke: We are increasingly faced with smoky days. We monitor fire smoke tracking sites, air quality indexes and the local conditions to ensure we are having students be inside the building when smokey skies are of a health concern. If you have any questions about this, please contact the school 250-782-5206.



Each year, September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

The day honours the children who never returned home and survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities.

Students are asked to wear an orange shirt on Friday, Sept 27 to honour the Indigenous children who were sent away to residential schools in Canada.





We are glad to welcome volunteers into the school again. If you are interested in volunteering this year, please ensure you have a valid Police Information Check (PIC) at the school and that you complete an annual SD59 volunteer form, available from the office.

Free CPF Membership with simple sign-up: CPF Membership is now free for individuals. Also, new members that join during the Fall membership drive, which is on from September 1st until October 31st, help our chapter compete in a BC and Yukon challenge for the most new members! Communities with the largest growth in membership during this drive, win funds to host French learning opportunities for our kids! On top of that, new memberships are put in a draw to win gift card prizes! Please visit <https://cpf.ca/en/join-cpf/> to sign up or renew. For more information about CPF, you can visit the Provincial website at <https://bc-yk.cpf.ca/en/> and like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1111857095594989>



Please remember to avoid parking in our bus loading zone on the East side of the school (10th Street). Also, we have Step-Up and Ride busses collecting students at day's end in the main parking loading zone. **Please do not park and/or leave your vehicle in this zone as it impedes safe pick-up. Please also remember not to stop/park in the emergency lane as you enter the parking lot.**

The best source of current information for Ecole Frank Ross remains our website!! Please visit <https://www.sd59.bc.ca/schools/ecole-frank-ross-elementary> from time to time to get the latest info. A copy of the EFR Parent-Student Handbook is available to download from the site as well.



Girls Ezzo Fun Day

**BUILD FRIENDSHIPS
GAIN CONFIDENCE
HAVE FUN**

Dawson Creek Minor Hockey is looking for females between the ages of 5-19 to come and play with us!

Join us Sunday September 8 from 8:45am-10:45am in the Kin Arena for a fun, no pressure intro to hockey. Email dcmha@pris.ca to sign up.

For more information:
dcmha@pris.ca

Register online:
www.dcmha.ca

No gear? No problem!
Contact us and we will outfit you.

Jessica Kimble Photography

SCHOOL PHOTOS

SEPTEMBER 17, 18 & 19TH

Sept 17th - Primary Classes

September 18th - Intermediate Classes

September 19th - Anyone Missed

Class Photos will be completed same day as students photos



Students will be sent home with QR Links to access the photo galleries. Galleries will be active within 5 days of Photo Day.



No Dogs on school grounds: Because we have many different considerations for student health and safety, we ask that if you are walking your dog(s) to pick-up/drop off your children that they remain with you off school grounds, and you arrange a meeting spot with your child(ren) there. Thank you

School messenger: You should have already received the attached form regarding School Messenger. We are aiming to have all families included in this service. By signing the form, we will be able to notify you via text message about student absences and in instances where an emergent issue (eg. wildfire evacuation) might need to be communicated. Please complete the form and send back if you have not done so already.



Students will run on Friday, Sept. 20th.

Our fund-raising goal this year is \$2500: If we make this goal, Mr. Henry will dye his hair!! Students will vote on the colour!!

Please donate by:

1. Bringing your money to class and get your name in a draw for a chance to Win a Terry Fox T- Shirt!!
2. Buy a piece of tape for \$2 to tape Mrs. Haugen to the gym wall on Monday, September 16 at our Terry Fox Assembly. Only one piece of tape per student. Teachers will start collecting money next week! Duct tape donations welcome!!
3. Buy a Freezie for \$1 - Freezies will be delivered to classes on Friday after the run.

Throughout the week, students can donate money at the office and get their name in the draw. Donations are also accepted online at <http://www.terryfox.ca/ecoleFrankRoss> All who donate online will be entered in the t-shirt draw!

Personal electronic devices:

Students have been very good about working with their teachers to store their cell phones away in class. We are grateful for your support reminding your child (if they bring a cell phone to school) that it is stored securely for the day with their teacher. If you have any questions about the policy or process, please contact the school at 250-782-5206.

École Frank Ross participates in the BC Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program. This program is brought to us by the BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation – a non-profit organization dedicated to working to bring BC's agriculture to our students. The Foundation works with local farmers and distributors to send fresh fruit and vegetables, along with milk to our school every 2-3 weeks. If you do not want your child to participate in this program for any reason, or you would like more information, please contact the school office.