



**VERMILION FORKS  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

*"...where learners cooperate in a safe, friendly, respectful environment."*

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Dear Families,

Welcome back to school! We hope that everyone enjoyed the Holidays.

Please make a note of the following:

**Revised P.A.C. Dates:**

Please make a note of the revised P.A.C. dates on your calendar. The time will still be 6:00 pm in our library or by zoom.

- ❖ Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>
- ❖ Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ June - TBD

**GRANTS:**

We would like to give a big "THANK YOU" to Valley First Credit Union (First West Foundation) and the Vancouver Sun Adopt-A-School Program for giving our Afterschool Homework and Recreation Club a grant for this year.

These two organizations have been a big supporter of our program. Without their generosity, we wouldn't be able to continue to run this program as we are only able to operate it based off of grants.

**Food Bank Donations:**

Thank you to all our students who donated canned food in December for the food bank. Mrs. Cleven's Grade 4/5 classroom brought in the most items and generously donated their winnings!

**Apex Mountain Ski and Snowboard Field Trips:**

A reminder that the permission slip forms and payment for the Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> (please make a note of the date change) Apex Ski and Snowboard trip are due to the office by Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. The permission slip forms and payment for the February 28<sup>th</sup> trip are not due until Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. We understand that given the holidays just

happened, this time of the year can be financially straining. Please let our secretary know if you need to send in your payment after the deadline.

Parents and guests attending the trip are asked to complete their criminal record search if they have not already done so. The criminal record search is valid for 2 years. Please contact the office for more details.

### **Pizza Hot Lunch:**

Our hot lunch program is being taken over by some of our P.A.C. members. More information about hot lunch will be sent home shortly.

### **Important Dates:**

Here are some upcoming important dates and events for our school up until Spring Break:

**Monday, January 9:** Homework Club starts up again.

**Thursday, January 12:** P.A.C. meeting by zoom or in person in our library at 6:00 pm.

**Friday, January 13:** Our annual Math Assembly Games will start at 11:00 am in our gym. Apex Mountain forms and payment for the January trip are due to the office. Please, no lates!!!

**Friday, January 20:** Fun Activity Day (students get to pick which activity they are going to participate in).

**Wednesday, January 25:** The first Apex Mountain Ski and Snowboard field trip. Buses will leave VFE at 7:30 am and return to VFE at approximately 4:45 pm. Homework Club is cancelled.

**Friday, January 27:** Jersey Day – dress in your favorite team jersey.

**Wednesday, February 1:** Instructed yoga lessons during P.E.

**Thursday, February 2:** District basketball tournament in Merritt for Grade 6 and Grade 7 students who sign up to participate.

**Friday, February 3:** Term 2 Interim Report Cards go home.

**Wednesday, February 8:** Instructed yoga lessons during P.E.

**Thursday, February 14:** Dress like you are 100 years old for the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. John Dunn Arctic presentation.

**Wednesday, February 15:** Instructed yoga lessons during P.E.

**Thursday, February 16:** Apex Mountain forms and payment for the February trip are due to the office. Please, no lates!!! Youth leadership Day in Merritt for selected students.

**Friday, February 17:** Pro-D Day. School is not in session.

**Monday, February 20:** Stat Holiday. School will not be in session.

**Tuesday, February 21:** The second Apex Mountain Ski and Snowboard field trip. Buses will leave VFE at 7:30 am and return to VFE at approximately 4:45 pm. Homework Club is cancelled.

**Wednesday, February 22:** Pink Shirt Day for Anti-bullying Day.

**Wednesday, March 8:** P.A.C. meeting by zoom or in person in our library at 6:00 pm.

**Friday, March 10** Term 2 Report Cards will be uploaded to the Parent Portal. District Handball tournament for Grades 4/5 who sign up to participate.

**Tuesday, March 14:** Early Dismissal Day for Parent/Teacher interviews. School will be in session from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. School buses will run one hour earlier that day. Homework club will be from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

**Wednesday, March 15:** Early Dismissal Day for Parent/Teacher interviews. School will be in session from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. School buses will run one hour earlier that day. Homework club will be from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

**Friday, March 17:** Last day before Spring Break holidays. Green Day (dress in green).

**Monday, April 3:** School is back in session after Spring Break holidays.

You will be notified of other events in the school as they come up.

Thank you for your cooperation and support! If you have any questions or concerns, then please call the school at 250-295-6642.

