

École Clearbrook Elementary School

February 1st, 2024

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Principal's Message

We have a busy month in February full of celebrations and festivities. February kicks off with the celebration of Carnaval de Quebec starting on Thursday, February 1st. Students will spend a week learning about this French-Canadian festival with daily activities at school and an optional at-home family project. On February 9th we will be learning about and celebrating Lunar New Year. On February 14th our school will be celebrating Valentine's Day with a red/white/pink school spirit day. On February 22nd we will be learning about and celebrating Black Excellence at a Black History Month assembly. On February 28th we will be practicing kindness and anti-bullying strategies in honour National Pink Shirt Day.

Parent Teacher Conferences are happening February 7th and 8th. Parent Teacher Conferences are a time to connect with your child's teacher to discuss the progress your child has made so far in Term Two. Term Two report cards go home with students in March. Sign up for Parent/Teacher Conferences at: <u>School Appointments - Clearbrook</u> <u>Elementary</u>

Erica Hopkins Principal



Clearbrook Elementary has a Facebook page! Like our page "**Clearbrook Elementary School**" and check back often for updates, important reminders, school news and events!



2023-24 Bell Times

- 8:45 am 8:50 am 10:20-10:35 am 12:15-1:00 pm 2:41 pm
- Welcome Bell Classes Begin Recess Lunch Dismissal



Calendar of Events

Feb 1-6 th :	Carnaval de Quebec Celebration Week
Feb 7-8 th :	Early Dismissal & Parent Conferences
Feb 9 th :	Lunar New Year Assembly
Feb 14 th :	School Spirit Day (Red, White & Pink)
Feb 16 th :	Pro D Day (No School)
Feb 19 th :	Family Day (No School)
Feb 22 nd :	Black History Month Assembly
Feb 28 th :	National Pink Shirt Day



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Carnaval

Each year at Clearbrook our French Immersion classes celebrate with our whole school Carnaval de Quebec, a rich part of our French-Canadian culture. This year we will be celebrating Carnaval February 1st-6th. Each day students will participate in a different activity, such as learning a Metis jig and visiting a Sugar Shack. Detailed info has been shared with families in a separate newsletter.

Lumberjack Day

On Tuesday, February 6th, all staff & students are invited to get to dress like a lumberjack. Here are some ideas for what a lumberjacks might wear: Anything & everything plaid, jeans, a vest, boots. Please leave your axe at home.



National Pink Shirt Day is on Wednesday, February 28th. Wear pink on the 28th to raise awareness about anti-bullying, kindness and friendship.



If your child is turning 5 years old in 2024, they are eligible to register for kindergarten! Go to your child's catchment school to register for kindergarten.

Interested in the French Immersion kindergarten program? First, register for English kindergarten. Then contact the office to be added to our waitlist, as the French Immersion Kindergarten Lottery closed on January 26th.

Interested in attending kindergarten out-ofcatchment? First, register for kindergarten at your catchment school. Next, apply at your chosen school starting February 1st.

Please contact the office for more information about the registration process.



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Valentine's Day

We are having a School Spirit Day on Wednesday, February 14th! Red, White & Pink Day! Wear red, white or pink in celebration of Valentine's Day.



Valentine's Day Fundraiser

February is the month of love and anti-bullying. What better way to celebrate than to tell your friends how special they are to you! Let your friends know that they are special by sending them a CANDY GRAM. The Grade 5's are doing a Candy Gram fundraiser for camp. Send your friend a Candy Gram for Valentines for \$1.50. This will include a personalized message from you and a lovely packaged chocolates. Candy Grams will be delivered to students on February 14th. Order a Candy Gram between January 29th-Feburary 9th on <u>www.schoolcashonline.com</u>



Lunar New Year

Lunar New Year takes place on Saturday, February 10th and it is the year of the dragon. This is the most important holiday in China and some other East Asian countries (Korea, Japan, Vietnam). We will have a school wide assembly on Friday, February 9th at 9:30am to learn and celebrate. We encourage all students to wear the colour red on February 9th in celebration of the New Year.



Black History Month

February is Black History Month in Canada. It is a time to engage in exploration and learning that honours the many achievements, contributions, and legacies of Black Canadians to our diverse landscape. This is valuable learning for all Canadians, fostering healthy communities and celebrating excellence that benefits us all. At Ecole Clearbrook, we will be holding a Black Excellence Assembly on February 22nd at 9:30 am.

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School Fees: Online Only

Please pay online at: https://abbotsford.schoolcashonline.com.

Fee Payment Procedures at Clearbrook: *All fees MUST be paid online.*

With <u>SchoolCashOnline</u>, payment for school fees should be made online to limit the amount of cash/cheques in our school. You can pay online with a credit card and/or through your chequing account.

If you need help registering or paying online, please call the office and we will be happy to help you!



Parent/Teacher Conferences

As per our School District calendar, Wednesday, February 7th and Thursday, February 8th are designated as our Parent/Teacher Conference days.

On Wednesday, February 7th school dismisses at 12:15 pm. Conference appointments will be available from 1:00-3:00 pm and 5:00-8:00 pm.

On Thursday, February 8th school dismisses at 12:15 pm. Conference appointments will be available from 1:00-3:00 pm.

Sign up for Parent/Teacher Conferences at: <u>School</u> <u>Appointments - Clearbrook Elementary</u>



Parent Advisory Committee

All parents at Clearbrook Elementary are PAC parents! Clearbrook Elementary has a hardworking PAC that provides many wonderful opportunities, events and experiences for all students. New to PAC and PAC meetings? Come and see what it is all about!

Next PAC Meeting: February

Wednesday, February 21st @ 6:30pm

Contact Us

Our PAC can be reached at: clearbrookelementaryPAC@gmail.com

Our PAC has a Facebook page: "Ecole Clearbrook Elementary PAC"



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Inline Skating

Students participated in inline skating during gym class recently. PAC generously covered half the cost of the activity fees to make costs more affordable for families. Thank you Mrs. Krause for organizing this activity for our students!



SchoolCashOnline Step-by-step sheet for parents/guardians

For safety and efficiency reasons, Abbotsford School District would like to reduce the amount of cash & cheques coming into our school. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE! It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Please follow these step-by-step instructions, so you will begin to receive email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your child(ren).

NOTE: If you require assistance, select the GET HELP option in the top right hand corner of the screen.

Step 1: Register

- a) If you have not registered, please go to the School Cash Online home page <u>https://abbotsford.schoolcashonline.com</u> and select the "Get Started Today" option.
- b) Complete each of the three Registration Steps
 *For Security Reasons your password, requires 8 characters, one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter and a number.

Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account.

The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.

Step 3: Find Student

Note: Student Number is Not Required

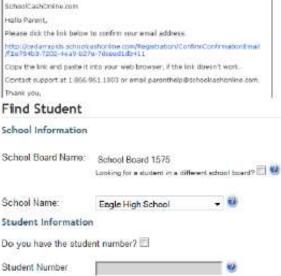
This step will connect your children to your account.

- a) Enter the School Board Name
- b) Enter the School Name
- c) Enter Your Child's Name & Birth Date
- d) Select Continue
- e) On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select Continue
- f) Your child has been added to your account

Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select "Add Another Student" option and repeat the steps above. 5 children can be added to one parent account.

If you do not wish to add additional children, select "View Items For Students" option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.



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