

January 16th , 2020

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(Layers of ice and water in between)



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Mission Statement: *“To engage our learners to reach their potential in a safe and supportive community”*

January 18

Family Curling, 11:00 and 1:00

January 23

PAC Hot Lunch – Soul Food

January 27

Family Literacy Day

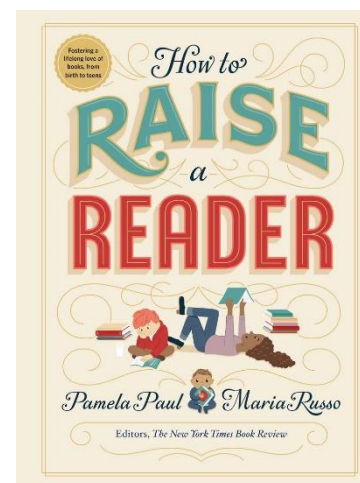
Cold Weather Policy

We had some cold weather this week! Just a reminder that even when the weather gets colder, our students still go outside unless it's colder than -20C. Outside supervision is in the morning from 8:25 – 8:40, 15 minutes during morning recess and the lunch hour (12:18 – 12:55). We also believe in taking our students outside for hands-on, experiential learning. All of these wonderful outdoor experiences are more enjoyable if students are properly dressed for the weather with winter boots, snow pants a warm jacket, tuque and mitts. If you require assistance with obtaining winter gear, please contact your child's teacher or the [Principal](#).

Family Literacy Day

January is Literacy Month and Family Literacy is on Monday, January 27th. The theme this year is “Take 20 in 2020”!

This week, I'm sharing a book called “How to Raise a Reader” by Pamela Paul and Maria Russo. This book is divided up into childhood stages and offers advice on how to support your children's literacy in each of those stages. At the end of each chapter is a list of recommended books for reading with your children. Some of my takeaways: Keep reading enjoyable, speak with enthusiasm about books with your children, read to them (*even if they know how to read*) and the age at which your child learns to read is not an indication of what kind of reader they will be as adults. We all learn at different rates, and that's OK! If you would like to borrow this book, please see Madame Hart.



Grade 6 Transition Letters

We are starting to look at which school our Grade 6 students will be attending next year. Next week you should receive a letter home indicating your catchment area school. **All students continuing in French Immersion will continue their studies at Parkland Middle School.** All English students or students transitioning to English will be scheduled to attend their catchment area school as indicated in the letter which will be sent out next week. If you would like to be considered for attending the other middle school, Student Placement Request forms can be submitted to the Cranbrook Board Office beginning February 3rd.

Out of Catchment Letters

The annual out-of-catchment letters will be sent home on Monday, January 20th. **This does not apply to out-of-catchment French Immersion students as we are the only French Immersion elementary school in Cranbrook.** Please be sure to send your response as soon as possible according to the letter. Letters do not get returned to the school, but to the Board Office. The information is needed for establishing our numbers and budgets for next year.

Japanese Cultural Ambassador

Our school has an opportunity to host a teacher from Japan for one year. In order to be able to facilitate this, we are looking for 2 - 3 host families who would be able to welcome her into their homes for a portion of her stay. There is a stipend of \$400 per month for host families to cover the costs of food and lodging. Please email [Brenda Tyson](mailto:Brenda.Tyson@cranbrook.ca) if you have are interested in being a host family.

Rocks and Rings

Cranbrook Curling Centre has graciously offered a FREE on-ice "Introduction to Curling" session for the students aged 8 and up with their parents or guardians. This takes place Saturday, January 18th at 11:00 and 1:00. Students need clean shoes to wear on the ice (not winter boots), mitts and a helmet. For more information and to register, please email manager@cranbrookcurling.ca

Passport to the Kootenays

There are 20 booklets for sale in the office. Booklets are \$45. To see the index of which business you can redeem your coupons, you can click [here](#).

Community Information

Key City Theatre is proud to present a family experience like no other.

SAMAJAM! The world's premier participatory music show comes to Cranbrook Tuesday, January 21 at 6:00 pm. Kids, Parents, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles - Everyone is the star in this fun, educational and interactive performance. Your whole family will learn music FUNdamentals including counting, rhythm, the melodic scale, world beat and more. Spark a lifelong love of music with SAMAJAM.