

Monthly Newsletter

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Welcome! ki?su?k kyukyit Bienvenue!

Upcoming Events

January 21

Pro-D Day – school not in session

Return to School

Welcome Back everyone! We did not expect to be here again, but here we are. All of us are getting quite practiced at “pivoting” into a new way to do things and we recognize that this is hard on everyone. Thank you for your patience and your continued support. You can find our new protocols on our school website or by clicking [HERE](#)

Please remember to pack your child's indoor shoes and a water bottle. Please ensure that these items are labelled with your child's name.

The students will certainly need their snow pants, winter boots, mitts and tuques to enjoy this wonderful winter weather. Our classes are encouraged to spend a lot of time outdoors where the students can play mask-free. If your family need assistance with obtaining winter gear for your children, please reach out to one of our Youth Care Workers, Nathalie Lavoie or Brad Napier. Brad and Nathalie would also welcome donations of snow pants, winter jackets and mittens.



Our Essential Service Worker kids spent a lot of time playing in the deep snow this week. Thank you to our EAs who provided quality care for our students in need.

Grade 6 Transition Letters

We are starting to look at which school our Grade 6 students will be attending next year. Later this month you will 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. 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 1st.

Out of Catchment Letters

The annual out-of-catchment letters will be sent home later this month. **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 **Cranbrook Board Office.** The information is needed for establishing our numbers and budgets for next year.

Kindergarten Registration

If you have any children or know of families who are planning on attending our school in the fall of 2022, registration commences Tuesday, February 1st, 2022.

Flower Basket Fundraiser

Our annual Spring Flower Basket fundraiser will begin in February. Funds raised will go towards field trip costs. Order forms will be sent home the beginning of February. We will be selling tomato, strawberry and flowering sun or shade hanging baskets. More info to follow.

Approved 2022.2023 Annual School Calendar

See the attached. It can also be found on the T.M. website

New Student Registration

Please see attached article.

MindUP for Adults: Self-Care and Well-Being

There is a new course offered to parents and caregivers in the K-12 system. This free resource was created with the help of the Ministry of Education and MindUP foundation. This course will help to develop the knowledge and tools needed to manage stress, regulate emotions and face the challenges of the 1st century with optimism, resilience and compassion. For more information and to register, click the link:

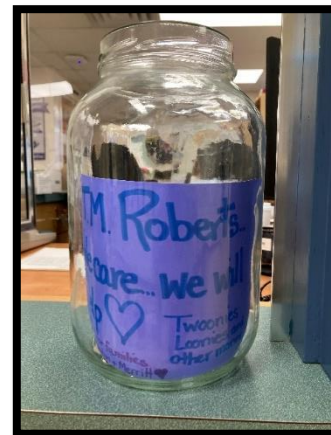
<https://bcadults.mindup.org>

Fundraising for the Flood Victims

Our school has reached out to two schools in Merritt to offer support from the flood disaster. Thanks to our T.M. Community we raised \$1,000 for families of these two schools. Thank you T.M. staff and families!

Health Check

If you are unsure if your child should attend school, please use the [health app](#). We very much appreciate your continued support in following the covid protocols for our school as outlined by the PHO and Ministry of Education.

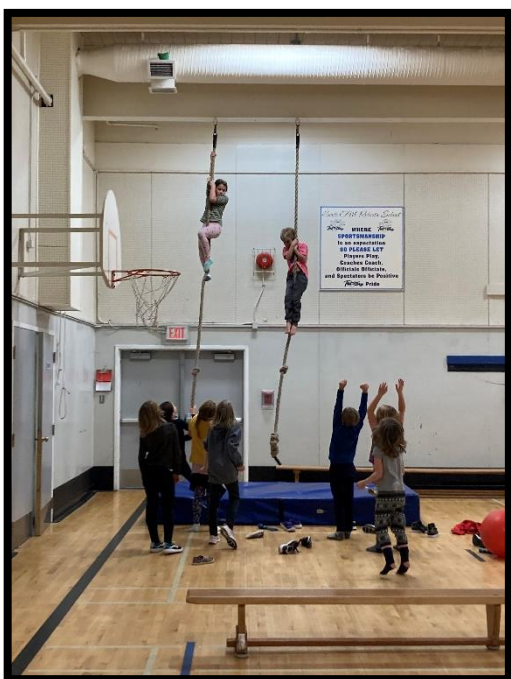


Save-On-Foods

Every time you shop at Save-On-Foods, you can ask the cashier to put 5% of your grocery purchase to go towards our school – at no cost to you! We use these funds to pay for enhanced curricular activities such as gymnastics, skating and field studies.

So far, we have received **\$2,475.94** to be used towards our field trip fund.

Thanks to Save-On Foods for supporting Cranbrook schools!



Two students reaching the top of the rope a several times and being encouraged by their peers during PE before the break



Students in Mme. Ashley's class work through a variety of fundamental movement skills, such as landing, rolling, hopping and skipping.

P.A.C. NEWS

Our next PAC meeting is Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 6:30 via zoom.

Our next school hot lunch days will be

Jan. 19, Feb. 2, Feb. 16, Mar. 2. be sure to get your orders in a week prior to each day or preorder them all at - <https://munchalunch.com/schools/TMRoberts>

We completed our first PAC fundraiser of the year, partnered with Sweet Gestures and raised \$1291.86. Way to go team! These funds will be put to good use throughout the year.

We will be doing another great fundraiser for West Coast Seeds in February so stay tuned for details.

To help us as a PAC best serve the TM families please take a few minutes to fill out this anonymous feedback form - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8QDB8WK>

If you're not yet a member of our Facebook group we have on going announcements, families resources and fun content like student interviews or art displays. Join the free group here

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TMPAC/>

Never hesitate to reach out to the PAC for ideas, questions or concerns. We are here to support you and your children.

DISTRICT P.A.C. NEWS

January 19th, 2022. SOGI123 Presentation 7:00 PM

DPAC is proud to present an information session for parents on district and provincial Sexual Orientation Gender Identity (SOGI) initiatives for schools. This presentation is for all parents in our District.

We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday, January 19th @ 7:00 PM via Zoom link below.

Topic: SOGI 123 Presentation for Parents

Time: Jan 19, 2022 07:00 PM MST

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/61929171809>

Meeting ID: 619 2917 1809

Find your local number: <https://ca01web.zoom.us/u/gclErZoAk4>

A PRESENTATION FOR PARENTS

**WEDNESDAY,
JANUARY 19, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

7:00 p.m. MST By Zoom

School District 5 District
Parent Advisory Council
Presents:

**SOGI 123 Presentation for
Parents**

Join Zoom Meeting
[here](#)

For more information email
sd5dpac@sd5.bc.ca



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SOGI 123 PRESENTATION FOR PARENTS

Presenters:

- Jason Tichauer, Director of Student Learning and Safe Schools Coordinator, SD5
- Sharlene Charest, District Counsellor, SD5





January 13th, 2022: EASE at Home Presentation

DPAC is excited to host this [EASE](#) (Everyday **Anxiety Strategies for Educators**) presentation delivered by, Child and Youth Mental Health Clinician, Jacqueline Weyman.

"EASE is an online course for educators and a collection of evidence-informed, curriculum-aligned classroom resources for teaching K-12 students effective everyday anxiety management skills. EASE includes strategies for students to help them cope with everyday anxiety while contributing to the mental health literacy of educators."

Healthy Minds BC also offers [EASE at Home](#) - " EASE K-7 lessons have been adapted for use by parents and caregivers to help children manage worries and everyday anxiety at home."

This presentation is for all parents in our District. We look forward to seeing you on January 13, 2022 @ 6:30 via Zoom (see link below).

Topic: EASE at Home Presentation

Time: Jan 13, 2022 06:30 PM MST

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/67412288873>

Meeting ID: 674 1228 8873

C.P.F. NEWS

The C.P.F. (Canadian Parents for French) is a national network of parents, volunteers and advocates dedicated to the promotion and creation of French-second-language learning opportunities for young Canadians. You can become a member, a volunteer or donate to the [C.P.F. by clicking here](#). Our local chapter represents the Fernie and Cranbrook areas. The CPF meeting is usually the first Thursday of every month (except December and March) via zoom.

The next meeting will be virtual and will take place via zoom on January 13th, 2022 at 6:30 pm.