



### March 2025 Newsletter

Ey Swayel Families,

Thank you to all the families who joined our conferences last week! Celebrating your child's strengths, setting goals, and building strategies for growth help support their success in learning.

If you missed the conference, please contact your child's teacher to schedule a time.

As a partner in your child's education, we encourage you to stay in touch with their teacher about their progress.

In February, we focused on **random acts of kindness**. By building social and personal responsibility, we can be our best selves and create positive connections with others.



### KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION

#### REMINDER!

If your child turns 5 in 2025, please remember to register them for Kindergarten. Registration is open online – just remember you will need to provide a valid email address and upload a copy of your child's birth certificate and proof of residency.

**For more information, please visit SD 33 – Registration**

**Ready, Set, Learn** will take place on **April 8<sup>th</sup> from 12:45 to 1:45 at Soowahlie Hall** (this date has changed from what was previously published). Please let your family and friends who have children that will be starting Kindergarten in September that we would love to see them out on April 8<sup>th</sup>! **See attached flyer for registration information.**



## INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

### Knowledge Keeper in Residence

Bill Davis has joined our school as our Knowledge Keeper in Residence. He will be coming to our school over the next few months to share stories and attend some of our events.

**First Peoples Principles of Learning:** 'Learning recognizes the role of indigenous knowledge'

## Halq'eméylem

March 3	P'ip'eqw'el	Peep-e-qwells	purple
March 10	Sqwoqwi:yel	Skwa-qwi-yell	yellow
March 31	Qwiqwoyels	Qwi-qwi-yells	orange

### Weekly Drumming Group

We have been lucky to have Russell Bob-Nahane and Frankie Charlie lead our drumming group each week. Our students really look forward to their Thursdays!

## TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

In January, Bill Davis gifted us with a welcome house post carving. The story behind the carving was in last month's newsletter. In February, he worked a few students to finish off the painting of the autism logo. This story was shared in the media this week. In the photo, you will see: Mrs. Heideman, Kane, Mr. Davis, Mrs. Wallace, Weeza, Reef, Catherine and Brody.

Here is the link: [Cultus Lake Swilhcha School welcomes hand-crafted gift from community member | Fraser Valley Today | Everything Fraser Valley](#)

## MARCH NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY MRS. KNODEL

As Spring Break approaches, please ensure that your child returns all books to the library so that new books can be signed out over the Break - we want our students to have lots of great books to read!

We have a keen group of students in grades 4 and 5 who are busy preparing to compete in the Reading Link Challenge against other schools in the district in April. At the beginning of March, they will have a visit from one of the FVRL librarians who will challenge them with a "mock" competition. Good luck to all of these students - they have been working hard!

Thank you to our kind PAC who have generously provided new tables and chairs for the library. They are beautiful! The plan is still to purchase some fun furniture pieces for our students. We greatly appreciate their help in funding this!

## PAC NEWS



The next PAC meeting is **Tuesday, April 1** (not April 6<sup>th</sup> as was listed in the March PAC calendar) at 6:00 in the library. We hope you can either join us in person or via zoom: <https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/j/65553636491>

Stock up on your favourite Purdys Easter treats (did someone say Hedgehogs?) AND support a great cause at the same time—it's the best of both worlds. All fundraising profit raised will directly support , Cultus Lake Swilhcha Community School so every order makes a great difference to us.

Ordering is as easy as eating chocolate. Just click this link <https://fundraising.purdys.com/login.aspx>. enter our customer # 69505, fill out your info (Name, phone number, and email address), click "Join Campaign", and order to your heart's content! 🍕☀️  
The order deadline is March 24, so get shopping!

March 6 (7 – 8:30 pm) - Chilliwack DPAC sponsored online event:  
<https://www.facebook.com/share/1Ke5NUq83H/>  
"LET'S - Disability-Neurodivergent Awareness & Crip Community Workshop"

Thank you to our PAC for supporting our school wide field trips the last two months:  
Skating at Sardis Sports Complex and Wild Robot movie at the Cottonwood 4 Cinemas.

## CULTUS LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION INFO



For information on Spring Break Camps, please email Melissa Giles at:  
[clcsacultuslake@gmail.com](mailto:clcsacultuslake@gmail.com)

## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Last month, Mrs. Daly organized our school wide Jump Rope for Heart. Students gained an awareness of heart health through their gym time. As a school, we raised \$200 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.



### FAMILY RESOURCES

We have had a lot of interest in Parent/Guardian workshops, and we are hoping to offer an 8 week series in April on the topic of ADHD. Before we schedule the presenter, we would like to get a rough idea of how many parents/guardians would be interested in attending. Each session would be right after school from 2-3 and we are trying to secure child minding.

If you are interested in attending a series on the topic of ADHD, please email me so that we can see if there is enough interest in running this.

[lisa.wallace@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:lisa.wallace@sd33.bc.ca)

Our school counsellor, Sue McLeod has put together some links to family resources on a variety of topics that you may find helpful.

[www.mindcheck.ca](http://www.mindcheck.ca)

[Home | Kelty Mental Health](#)

[www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org)

[www.cmha.ca](http://www.cmha.ca)

[www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)

[www.counsellingresource.com/](http://www.counsellingresource.com/)

[What is the difference between psychologists and registered clinical counsellors? | Kelty Mental Health](#)

<b>March – Disability Awareness Month/Women’s History Month</b>	
Mon. March 3	Longhouse Field Trip for Vanderveen, Harrison, Daly
Wed. March 5	CLCSA Board Meeting
Wed. March 5	Reading Link Challenge (In-School Competition)
Fri. March 7	12:35 – Grade 5 Celebration Parent Meeting
Thurs. March 13	Term 2 Report Cards Issued
Fri. March 14	Last Day before Spring Break
Fri. March 14	<b>CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND! ITEMS WILL BE DONATED TODAY!</b>
Mar 17 - 30	Spring Break
Mon. March 31	School Re-Opens

