



Deroche Elementary Bear Nation Weekly Bulletin

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: Hello, loved ones, guardians, and supporters of Deroche Elementary: This week at Deroche we saw our halls alive with activity. On Tuesday, Mission's Literacy in Motion program continued to work with many of our students, sharing their goal of reading empowerment and development. Grade 4-6s continued to prepare for volleyball season during Tuesday and Thursday lunch practices. Facilitated by Ms. Titford, all students had the opportunity to be immersed in a huge map of Canada where they learned about longitude, latitude, the cultural history, peoples, and diverse geography of our country. Friday saw our Grade 6s supporting our monthly popcorn sales at lunch where every student was provided a bag of popcorn to enjoy. Also on Friday, our YCW, Mr. Frank worked with many of our students to discuss strategies that students use when faced with anxiety. In association with StrongStart, Fraser Health was also on-site providing an educational session on immunizations for parents. A reminder that Fraser Health will be returning to offer an immunization clinic in the library at 9-11 am on Friday, February 23rd; all welcome! Students will need parental presence to participate.

Starting Feb 7th, on odd Wednesdays of the month, at 1:15-2 pm, Integrated Child and Youth (ICY) team facilitator, Nicole Allen, will be onsite hosting coffee talk workshops to connect and share tools and strategies that can support students' mental health with our community. This informal coffee talk opportunity is open to all members Deroche Elementary parents, guardians and caregivers and seeks opportunity to make connections, answer questions and provide support if needed. Please see the attached flyer for a list of scheduled topics. Best wishes for a restful weekend, *Kelly Hennessey - Principal*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kindergarten Registration has begun! Children born in 2019 are eligible. Registration packages are available at the school office.

Martial Arts Sessions takes place next week at lunch. It's not too late to sign-up; just make sure to fill out a permission form if your child wants to join.

Volleyball Season is underway and with games scheduled on February 9, 15, 22 and 29th. More details will be sent home with players with game locations.

Parent-Teacher Conferences are coming soon! Watch for sign-up details coming home soon for February 23rd conference slots.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 2	Popcorn Sale by donation
Feb 5	Feb 5-9 Martial Arts
Feb 9	1 st Volleyball Game
Feb 15	2 nd Volleyball Game
Feb 16	PRO-D – No School
Feb 19	STAT – Family Day
Feb 22	It's A Crime not to Read
Feb 23	Parent/Teacher Conferences
Mar 1	Div 1-4 to Clarke Theatre
Mar 7	It's A Crime not to Read
Mar 15	Non-Instructional Day
Mar 18	Mar 18-Apr 2: Spring Break
Apr 3	School Reopens

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