

# Newsletter



Terry Fox  
Elementary School

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## Upcoming Events

Newsletters will, typically, be issued the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month

- ❖ Fri., Dec. 14 Div. 7 & 8 to Burnaby Village  
Div. 10 & 6 to skating  
Science  
World Show @ 1:15 p.m. in gym  
PAC-Sponsored Christmas Fair from 5 – 8 p.m.
- ❖ Mon., Dec. 17 Dashmesh School bringing gifts for select families  
Div. 1 & 11 to Fly Over Canada
- ❖ Tues., Dec. 18 Div. 8 & 9 skating
- ❖ Wed., Dec. 19 Christmas Concert 1 & 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ Fri., Dec. 21 Milk & Cookies (PAC) + Santa
- ❖ Mon., Jan. 7, 2019 Back to School
- ❖ Mon., Jan. 14 Newsletter #4

**If your child will be absent or late, please call our office and let our secretary, Mrs. Davis, know.**

**Call 604.859.8403**



## Principal's Message

*Millions of persons with disabilities are denied an education, and for many more, education is available only in settings where they are isolated from their peers," the experts from the Committee on the Rights of the Persons with Disabilities said in the guidelines published today, according to a news release issued by the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR). Our country, province, District, and school strongly believe in the right of all of our students to have access to the best quality education possible. We believe in helping our students to develop friendships, and social skills so that they enjoy success where ever they go. We also believe in welcoming folk from all backgrounds, and in supporting our learners in further developing their particular talents, and gifts fully. We are inclusive, not because we must be so, but because we believe it is the morally correct thing to do. All students matter. For more information on the UN Charter of Rights: Inclusive Education, please visit: <https://news.un.org/en/story/2016/09/537952-inclusive-education-vital-all-including-persons-disabilities-un-rights-experts>*

Have a very Merry Christmas, lovely winter holiday, and a prosperous New Year!

With gratitude,  
Ms. Kathy Fladager, Principal

**Newsletters will no longer be sent home in hard copy form. They will be emailed to you, or you can find them on our school's website at <http://terryfox.abbyschools.ca/newsletters> If you need a hard copy, please contact our office.**

## 2018 – 2019 Bell Schedule

School Starts (Welcoming Bell) 8:40 a.m.  
Second Bell (Instruction Begins) 8:45 a.m.  
Recess 10:30 – 10:45 a.m.  
Lunch 12:20 – 1:00 p.m.  
Dismissal 2:33 p.m.

Please ensure that your child is on time for school every morning, and that you pick them up promptly at the end of each day from their classroom backdoor – thank you!



## Lost & Found

**Will be on display Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> through Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>. Any items NOT claimed by Fri., Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> will be donated to charity.**



## Terry Fox PAC Welcomes You! 2018 to 19 PAC Executive Members

- Amanda Jersey - PAC Chair
- Alanna Kerr - Treasurer
- Sara Ladouceur- Secretary
- Brittany Panter- Fundraiser
- Missy Massier - Hot Lunch

### Our next PAC Meeting is Jan., 30th at 7 p.m.

Please 'Like' & 'Follow' us on Facebook!

Your child's school needs you to serve!

Our PAC's official constitution is now on our school's webpage at

<https://terryfox.abbyschools.ca/sites/default/files/Terry%20Fox%20Elementary%20Official%20Constitution%202018.pdf>



There are a LOT of events coming up as we get closer to our Christmas/Winter Break = please read Homework Planners carefully; connect with your child's classroom teacher; and check out both our Terry Fox PAC and Terry Fox Elementary School Facebook pages.



### Fraser Valley Regional Library Reading Links Challenge

Here is a link in case any of our Grade 4/5 parents are interested in what the Reading Links program is all about – they can click on the podcast. 😊

Interested students signed up last week, and two staff from the FVRL came Friday to talk with the RLC kids.

<http://www.readinglinkchallenge.ca/titles.html>

### PE News!

#### Hand Ball Action Report

The Intramural Hand ball season has begun. We have 6 co-ed teams of Grade 4's and 5's.

The games are played at lunch, with scores kept, and posted, on the bulletin board outside the gym.

The playoffs will begin around Christmas and the final Championship game will be for the "The Intramural Cup"!!!

### Stó:lō Nation Longhouse Visit

All Grade 3 students, across our District, through the wonderful work of our District's Aboriginal Department, visited the longhouse located in Chilliwack this past week. This experience really fit into our Gr. 3 students' Curriculum, especially with this Big Idea: *Strong communities are the result of being connected to family and community and working together toward common goals.*



## CHRISTMAS FAIR

### PAC-Sponsored Christmas Fair

Date: Friday Dec 14th

Time: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Come meet Santa and make crafts in his work shop.

Santa will also be here and pictures with him will be \$2 per family.

Mrs. Claus will be at a station Reading to kids

Free Face-painting (Henna for both hands - \$5)

Free crafts for kids to build and take home

Kids are asked to bring gently used toys, and these can be traded for other toys that other kids bring (there will also be a gift-wrapping station the

children wishing to give their toy to a sibling for

Christmas 🎄 There will also be a cookie decoration station. Cookies are 0.25 cents each, and are free to

decorate! A Concession Stand will be open, and we will be selling Pizza, Popcorn, hot chocolate,

cookies, candy, and more. There will also be a Bake

Sale Table! And so, come, and have Dinner w Santa

It will be a great evening for our families to come

together, and to have some fun! **SAVE THE**

**DATE!!!** More information from our PAC will be

coming home this week, if you would like to help

out!

*Diversity is being invited to the party;  
inclusion is being asked to dance.*

Verne Myers