



Feb 26 - March 8, 2024

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PEARSON ROAD

Principal's Message:

Pearson Panthers are certainly enjoying this mild winter weather but our outside play can be quite muddy. Please be sure that your child has a change of clothing with them everyday as sloppy slips do happen.

We are getting very excited about our **Harmony Day** celebration next Thursday, Feb 29th from 10am -12 noon. Last Friday you should have received a pink sheet with an explanation of the event and an invitation to contribute a food item if you choose to. It is attached here again in case it was swallowed by your child's backpack. Should you have any questions please ask your child's teacher. Students who have chosen to perform have been busily preparing with Mrs. Geary. Everyone is encouraged to wear cultural clothing, a pink shirt or anything that the student is connecting to. Please note a new request this year to send a large Ziploc with a plate and utensil, (please see Harmony Day Information sheet attached).

Planning for the **2024-2025** school year is well underway. All new students should register as soon as possible as we are nearing capacity in most grades. Please use this [REGISTRATION LINK](#). Grade 5's moving to middle school are automatically transitioned from Pearson to Rutland Middle School. You do not need to register again. If you are planning on moving from Pearson next year, please let us know as soon as possible by emailing us at pse@sd23.bc.ca

Families of 3- 5yr old children not yet in school you are invited to attend our Early Learning for Families (ELFF) Night, May 16th! We encourage you to join us in our outdoor learning centre on from 5-6pm. You can do a story walk, engage in the garden activities, meet some new friends, have a snack and receive some new learning items. [ELFF Night Registration here](#) if you plan on attending.

Warm regards,
Mrs. Nina Ferguson

Monday, Feb 26	Tues, Feb 27	Wed, Feb 28	Thursday, Feb 29	Friday, March 1
PAC Meeting (Library at 5:30pm)		Pink Shirt Day	Harmony Day (see attachment)	
Monday, March 4	Tues, March 5	Wed, March 6	Thursday, March 7	Friday, March 8



Important Dates to Remember:

2nd Term Student Learning Updates go home	Thursday, March 14
School Spirit Day: Wear Green	Friday, March 15
Spring Break Begins	Saturday, March 16
First day back from Spring Break	Tuesday, April 2
Grade 3 Swimming Lessons start	Wednesday, April 3



Copies of School Newsletter: "What's Happening at Pearson Road" can be found on our school website under the Parents tab> [School News](#)



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HARMONY

The Cambridge Dictionary defines harmony as the combination of separate but related parts in a way that uses their similarities to bring unity. I love this definition because it reminds me that as human beings, we are all connected and have much more in common with each other than we have differences.

Harmony Day provides a yearly opportunity for people to celebrate cultural diversity and mutual respect. Our society is a huge melting pot of colour, flavour and diversity. Harmony Day celebrates this diversity, aiming to foster inclusiveness, respect and the idea that people of all different cultures can come together to foster a loving and supportive society.

Here at Pearson Road, we mark Harmony Day with dancing and food! On Thursday, February 29th, teachers, students and families will be joining together to celebrate our diversity and our connection with a community potluck and cultural dancing, performed by our students. It's a wonderful day full of joy and community and I'm so looking forward to celebrating with the Pearson Road Community. Happy Harmony Day, Pearson Panthers!

Sincerely, Ms. Church (Social Emotional Learning Teacher)



Pearson Road Elementary Hot Lunch Program

Pearson Road Elementary Hot Lunch Program is now open for any parents who wish to order for lunches their student(s). Ordering for Mondays is week by week (orders in by the Wednesday prior) and Wednesday's Hot Lunch is done month by month.

Parents must create an account on the MunchaLunch website. Ordering and payments are managed through [MunchaLunch](#). ALL ORDERS AND PAYMENTS MUST BE DONE ONLINE. We cannot accept cash or cheque payments at the school. [MunchaLunch](#) Website

This program is run by the Pearson PAC, all questions should be directed to pse.pac@sd23.bc.ca



SCHOOL ABSENCES and COMMUNICATION:

Please make sure you have signed up with [SchoolMessenger](#) to report all lates, absences and early departures. You are required to inform the school when your child will be absent from school. This app makes that reporting very easy for you.

SchoolMessenger App



SchoolMessenger is also how the school communicates with you! If there are any issues with you not receiving messaging please contact us as there may be an issue with the email address we have on file for you.



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PAC PAGE



Upcoming PAC Dates:

Mon Feb 26 - PAC Monthly Meeting - 5:30pm in Library

[Click here to access the order page.](#)

CUSTOMER NUMBER **43926**



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Pearson Road Elementary PAC

CAMPAIGN NAME

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3. Click "Shop Online" to start shopping!
4. Invite your friends and family to help! They can simply follow the same steps as above.

CUSTOMER NUMBER:

43926

PLACE & PAY FOR ORDERS BY:

Fri, Mar 1, 2024

DATE

PICK UP ORDERS ON:

Fri, Mar 15, 2024

DATE

AT:

Pearson Road Elementary

LOCATION

If you have any questions, please contact
your coordinator:

Jassleen Virdi

COORDINATOR NAME

Text Only - 604-715-1861

PHONE

pse.pacpresident@sd23.bc.ca

EMAIL

Pearson Road Elementary Harmony Day Multicultural Potluck

Thursday February 29, 2024
10:00am-12:00pm

We invite our students and their families to participate in Harmony Day by:

- ☐ wearing cultural clothing that represents family heritage (or anything that the student is connecting to)
- ☐ contributing a dish to a cultural potluck
- ☐ bringing a towel or blanket to sit on for the "picnic"
- ☐ bring plate and utensil in a large sealable ziploc

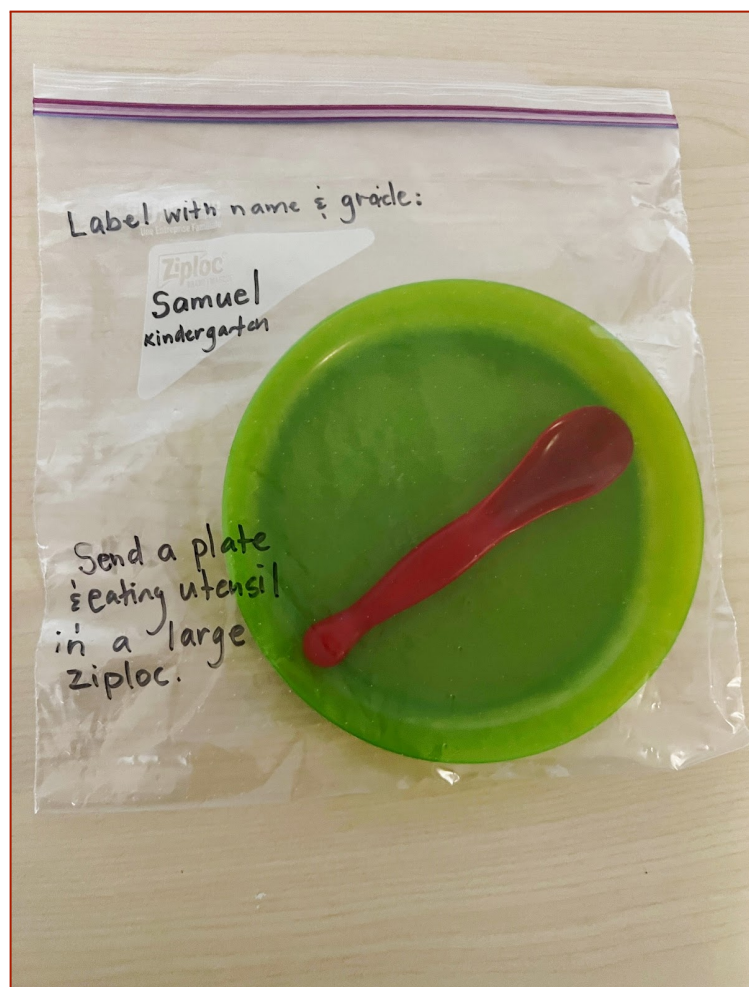
We are asking each family to contribute one nut-free dish to the potluck (if possible!) – the item can be from any country/culture. Put your name on everything (dish/pot/bowl/pan/spoons)– please send serving utensils. If your dish does not need heating, please send it to school in the morning. If your dish needs heating, please deliver it to school, heated and ready to go, by 9:30 am on Thursday the 29th.

As we cannot guarantee enough food will be provided by our school community, please be sure to send your child with some regular snacks and a small lunch on the 29th just in case there is not enough food to go around. If your child has serious allergies, it may be wise to pack them a special lunch of their own, as we would still love for all students to participate in our Harmony Day celebration.

And finally, we need your help with set-up, serving, and clean-up. It's a fun time and the children will be excited about the new foods and proud of their contribution!

As much as we value parent engagement in our events, we do not have adequate space in the gym for family participation this time. However, if you are able to be volunteer for the entire event 9:30-11:30am, please arrive by 9:30 through the front office.

Thank you... Merci... Danke Schoen... Muchas Gracias... Dhannvaad... Spasibo...



Please bring this tag with your dish on February 29th:

Harmony Day at PSE

Name of Dish:

Culture or Country:

Student's Name:

Teacher's Name:

Tell us about your dish:

Dietary Restrictions:

- ☐ Vegetarian
- ☐ Halal
- ☐ Dairy-free
- ☐ Contains Meat

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Kinsmen Fieldhouse: 9:00am–1:00pm
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Kinsmen Fieldhouse: 9:00am–4:00pm
Cost: \$168 Code: 29463



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Little tykes to High School
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Registration is OPEN now
until March 13th for our NFL spring
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