

January 13-January 24, 2025

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome Back!

I wish you all the best for the New Year!

Students have been back for a week, and we are back into our regular routines and learning. Next month, we will have opportunities to unite as a community through our Family Day Event and parent-teacher conferences. We will be sure to keep you posted.

As you enjoy the mild winter, remind your kiddos to wash their hands regularly as the flu season ramps up.

Warm Regards, Mrs. Virk

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Link to school calendar

Wed, Jan 15	Hot Lunch: Pasta Day!
Wed, Jan 22	Hot Lunch- McDonald's
Fri, Jan 24	Terrific Kids Assembly



From the Desk of Ms. Charlton in our Library

As the new year begins, we have found opportunities to practice a growth mindset in the library.

The kindergarten students have been inspired by Peter H. Reynold's book, Ish, and are making a new gallery wall of "tree-ish," "house-ish," and "happy-ish" drawings that express their ideas and emotions but don't have to be perfect! Our older students are taking their designs digitally and learning about digital storytelling.

We have been sharing our favourite books to read with our peers. I challenged our intermediate students to create a graphic novel-style skit in Scratch Jr. where one character slips a book recommendation into their conversation. I love how engaged the students are while simultaneously learning about coding, direction, design, grammar, sequencing, trial and error, and practicing a growth mindset. Of course, it's a bonus that showing off their final projects lets students share the books they love with their classmates.



January and February's library lessons will be all about directions as we continue to add more coding and technology into our repertoire. We will also navigate our online OPAC catalogue to find "good fit" books, especially now that we have location guides for all our genres! Students can even check if we have their next read in the library from home. They click the Find a Book icon in the library section of the school website under programs and services.







Finally, I must express my appreciation to all of you who attended the book fair fundraiser. I especially want to thank our amazing volunteers, Veronica, Erin, Ashley, Gina-Lily, and Natasha, as well as my partner, Mrs. Bush. Pearson families truly love books, which made it a huge success! Together, we purchased \$3 779 worth of books and writing supplies! I was thrilled to see the excitement on all the kids' faces as they browsed, and I'm sure there was even more when some of those sneaky presents were opened up over the holidays. In the library, the book fair continues to keep on giving. Your purchases helped us add more than 100 new books for the library that our students are eager to read!



Please follow the "No Parking" signs in the neighbourhood.



We have many students walking in the front of the school. For their safety, please use the street parking during pickup.



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This entails a monthly meeting,

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Parent Advisory Council meetings are a great way for parents/guardians to connect more with the school, hear about what's happening at Pearson, and get involved with building our school community. Our next meeting is Monday, January 20 at 5:30 in the school library. We hope to see you there!

Hot lunch service resumes next Wednesday, January 15. To order lunch for January, visit MunchALunch.com until Sunday. The system will reopen from January 15-31 for February's orders.

Please contact your PAC Executives any time at pse.pacpresident@sd23.bc.ca with your questions, ideas or feedback!

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