

# THE BULLDOG



We are heading into the winter months and students new learnings are beginning to take root. We have lots of our new readers blossoming and excited to be able to read. Thank you for continuing to support learning at home. We had a great turn out for our student conferences and teachers and students were excited to show and share.

●	<b>November</b>
●	2 Wellness night at Stitos
●	9 Remembrance Day Assembly 10:30
●	10 Pro D Day 13 Remembrance Day Holiday
●	23 MATH GAMES NIGHT 24 PRO D DAY
●	28 PAC MEETING 30 HOT LUNCH- BRING ANYTHING BUT A BACK PACK TO SCHOOL

November brings a host of activities. We would like to formally invite you to our student lead Remembrance Day Ceremony. This is always an important time for us to reflect and remember and be thankful for our peaceful community. The assembly will begin at 10:30.

Please continue to be mindful of our parking lot. Safety is number one! Please do not park or wait on the left hand side of the bus loop, this blocks vision of students crossing the road. Also do not get out of your vehicle in the bus loop, this is for drop off and pick up only. Please park in the lot if you need to get out. Let's continue to keep our student's safe, use the 2 cross walk areas if you are going to the lower parking area.



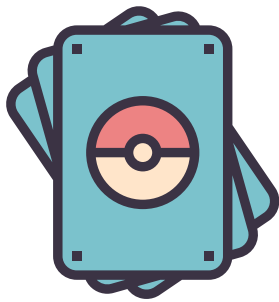
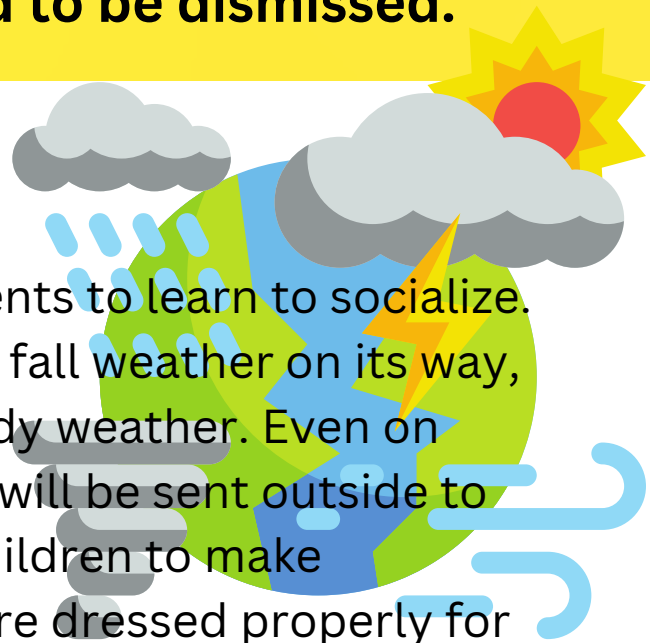
## Instructional Time with Students



During class time we make it a practice to minimize classroom disruptions to teachers and students. Learning time is important. If you have a message or lunch for your child during instructional time, please leave it with Ms. Johnson at the office. Teachers always teach to the bell, please be mindful of this as you wait for your child to be dismissed.

## Dress for Success

Outdoor time is so important for students to learn to socialize. We will go outside most days! With the fall weather on its way, we can expect more frequent wet, windy weather. Even on days with drizzle or light rain, children will be sent outside to get fresh air. Please encourage your children to make responsible choices and ensure they are dressed properly for the weather.



Recess and lunch are times for active play. There have been a number of students that are bringing items from home to play with. We have a lot of activities at recess and lunch for students and ask that all toys stay home or in backpacks during break times. Also Pokeman is for looking at recess, there is no trading at school. Stickers are also becoming a hot commodity. If students trade stickers it is at recess only. There is no selling or buying items at school amongst the students.



# MATH CORNER

This month we will be inviting families to come and play math games on Thursday November 23 from 6:30-7:30. There will be a host of games set up for all levels with take home activities and prizes. Bring your family and get your math skills sharpened.

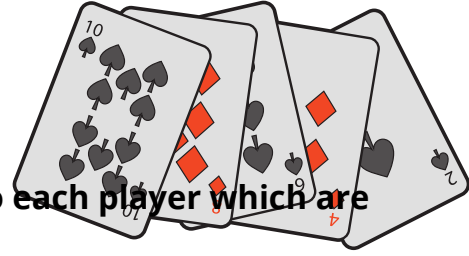
This month's math game consists of a deck of cards.

## HIT THE TARGET

To play:

- A game for two or more players. The dealer deals three cards to each player which are lined up face up on the table in front of the player.
- The dealer then turns the next card from the deck and places it in the middle of the table. This is the target number.
- Trying to use all three of their cards and any of the four basic math operations, each player tries to make the target number. For example, if the target number is 7 and a player holds 9, 2 and 4, they can reach the target number with the equation  $9-4+2=7$ .
- The winner of the round (if any) is the person who can make the target number and they score a point before new cards are dealt for the next round. Winner of the game is the first player to ten points.

Variation: Players are dealt five cards and must use at least two to reach the target number.



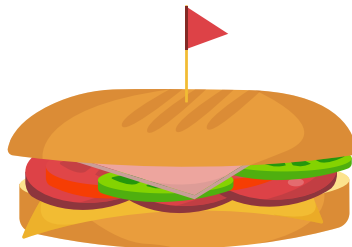
## Anything But a Backpack



Does your backpack need cleaning?

November 30th is the day to do it!

Bring a suitcase, paper bag, wagon, or anything else that will carry your items to school.



## HOT LUNCH

Hot lunch is ordered through Munch a Lunch on the school web site. You can order monthly or set it up for the whole year. This month Perfekt Deli - Deli Buns. Orders Close Nov. 22



# LIBRARY NEWS

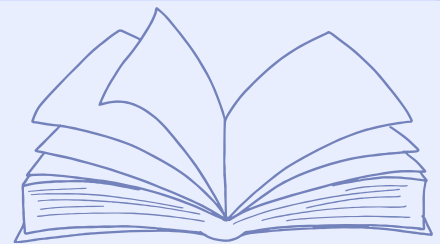


## SUPER READER

Super Reader 50 nights sheets have started coming in and some students are working towards 100 nights of reading. Bring in your completed sheet once you have read 50 nights at home for 20 minutes each day. Make sure you have an adult sign it to confirm you have done the reading!

## READING LINK CHALLENGE

The Reading Link is a fun group for Grade 4/5's that love reading! Soon we will be given sets of 6 chapter books and those Grade 4/5's that are interested will make teams to try and read as many of the books as they can by March when we have a school challenge. The winning team for our school then participates in a district challenge against other elementary schools that are participating. There is no commitment outside of school but some students will have to give up some lunches to do practice challenges. If you love reading and you're in Grade 4 or 5, be listening for our first meeting announcement soon!



## BOOK FAIR!



The Scholastic Book Fair is coming December 5-7. It will only be at school this time around as the Virtual Book Fair is no longer an option. Students will have a chance to browse and make wish lists on Tuesday, December 5 and then they can bring money on December 6 and 7 to make purchases. The Book Fair will be open after school on Wednesday, December 6 until 4pm for parents that want to come look. Keep an eye out for Teacher Wish lists when you come, as books are always a great present for the classroom.



## UPCOMING DATES

November 1-21 - Fundscrip Gift Card & Purdy's Fundraiser

November 9 - Popcorn Day Bring \$1 for a bag of popcorn.

November 10 - Pro-D Day No School

November 13 - Remembrance Day - No School

November 15 - Smoothie Day

November 17 - Babysitting Night @ YCS - 6pm - 9pm

November 22 - Deadline to order for Nov. Hot Lunch

November 24 - Pro-D Day No School

November 28 - PAC Meeting 7PM @ YCS

November 30 - Hot Lunch Perfekt Deli

It's November! This month we have a couple fundraisers happening (details below) as well as a Babysitting Night - sign up coming soon - watch the Yarrow Community School PAC Facebook page. Popcorn Days will be starting next week - send \$1 for a bag of popcorn at recess. We are looking to make a Hot Lunch team to organize lunches for the new year - email [yarrowpac@gmail.com](mailto:yarrowpac@gmail.com) if you're interested.



## Babysitting Night

Want a date night out? Need to get a start on your Christmas Shopping? Or just want a quiet night at home with the kids out of the house?

**SIGN UP FOR BABYSITTING NIGHT!**

Where: Yarrow Community School

When: Friday, Nov. 17 6:00-9:00 PM

Who: Kids aged 3-12

Cost: \$10/kid OR \$30/family

Please send a water bottle and we will provide a snack. Sign up by NOV 12 to be entered to win a date night prize pack!



**November 1 - 21** we are running fundraisers with Purdys Chocolates and Fundscrip - Gift Cards. Purdys please order online at

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1804183-111821>

(If it asks for a campaign # - enter 73304)



Fundscrip will have paper order forms coming home for you to fill out and return. You pay the price of the gift card you're buying and we earn a % for the school. We want to make this more fun for you, so for **every**



**Purdys order** placed is **entered to win a box of chocolates. Every Fundscrip order** placed is **entered to win a \$50 card prize pack!**

## .... Movie Night @ YCS

In October we had a good turn out for our first movie night. Thank you to United Way for the grant for this event. Our grade 5's raised \$735 in donations for their year end trip. They also did a fantastic job cleaning up the gym!

Thank you!



## Fair Notice

The Chilliwack School District and community partners are committed to making our schools safe for students and staff. As a result schools will respond to all student behaviours that pose a potential risk to themselves, other students, staff, and members of the community.

### **What behaviours initiate a Student Violent Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA)?**

A Student Violent Threat Risk Assessment will be initiated for behaviours including, but are not limited to, serious violence or violence with intent to harm/kill, verbal/written threats to harm/kill others, online threats to harm/kill others, possession of weapons (including replicas), bomb threats (making explosive and /or detonating devices), fire setting, sexual intimidation or assault, or gang related intimidation and violence.

### **Duty to report**

To keep school communities safe and caring, staff, parents/caregivers, students, and community members must report all threat-related behaviours.

### **What is a threat?**

A threat is an expression of intent to do harm or act out violently against someone or something. Threats may be verbal, written, drawn, posted on the Internet, or made by gesture. Threats must be taken seriously, investigated, and responded to.

### **What is a Threat Assessment Team?**

Each school has a Threat Assessment Team which is multi-disciplinary. The team may include Principal, Vice-Principal, School Counsellor, Resource Teacher and Police.

### **What is the purpose of a VTRA?**

- o To ensure the safety of students, staff, parents and others
- o To ensure a full understanding of the context of the threat
- o To understand factors contributing to the person of concern's behavior
- o To be proactive in developing an intervention plan that addresses the emotional and physical safety of the person of concern
- o To promote the emotional and physical safety of all

### **What happens in a VTRA?**

All threat making behavior by a student shall be reported to the Principal who will activate the protocol for the initial response. Once the team has been activated, interviews may be held with the student(s), the person of concern, parents and staff to determine the level of risk and develop an appropriate response to the incident. Intervention plans will be developed and shared with parents, staff and students as required.

### **Can I refuse to participate in a VTRA process?**

It is important for all parties to engage in the process. However, if for some reason there is a reluctance to participate in the process by the person of concern or parent/caregiver, the threat assessment process will continue in order to promote a safe and caring learning environment.

### **Collection Notice**

The School District is subject to personal information privacy laws and will undertake the collection of information in compliance with the requirements of such laws. Collection of information will be limited to that which is relevant and necessary to address a risk or threat. Information that is collected from online sources will only be obtained from open source sites. The School District will not collect information as part of a threat assessment unless there is reason to believe that a risk exists. Information collected as part of a threat assessment may be provided to law enforcement authorities in appropriate circumstances.



# ABBOTSFORD CANUCKS

SCHOOL  
SPIRIT NIGHT



## YARROW COMMUNITY SCHOOL

HSK **VS** ABB

SAT. NOV. 4 | 7PM

Show your school spirit and win prizes while cheering on the Abbotsford Canucks at the Abbotsford Centre

Each game, three (3) students will be selected to ride the zamboni at intermission.



**SCAN TO VIEW**

- Special rate tickets
- Prizing for students



PLEASE CONTACT

NOAH SOHI, 604.743.5052

NOAH.SOHI@ABBOTSFORDCANUCKS.CA



# PARENT/ CARE TAKER MENTAL WELLNESS CONVERSATION



Presented by the CYC Committee & the Middle Years

When: November 2nd

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Where: Stitó:s Lá:lém Totí:lt Elementary / Middle

Childcare provided

6:00 - 6:30

Doors Open & Resource Tables

6:30 - 6:50

Family Smart & Fraser  
Health

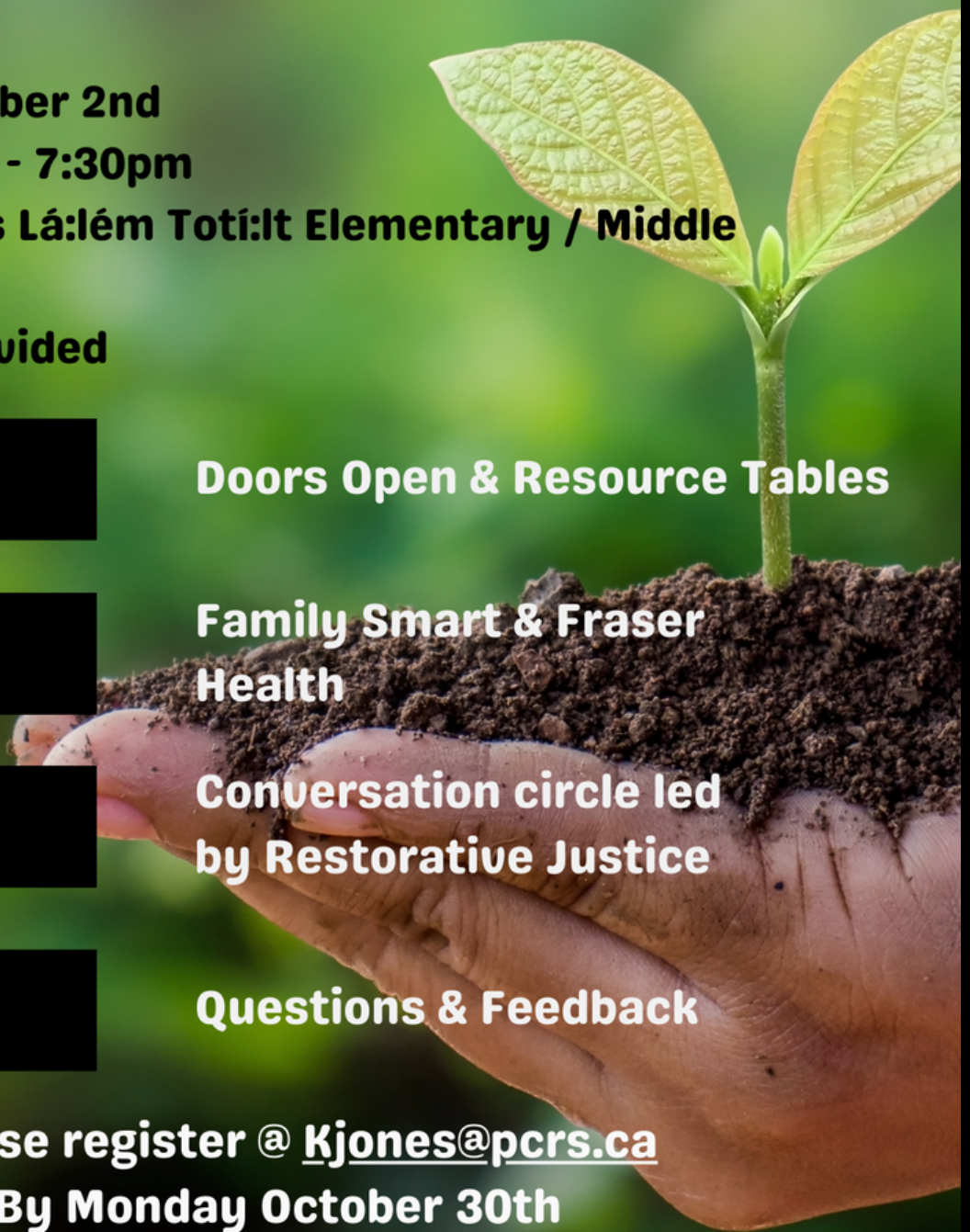
6:50 - 7:30

Conversation circle led  
by Restorative Justice

7:30 - 7:45

Questions & Feedback

Please register @ [Kjones@pcrs.ca](mailto:Kjones@pcrs.ca)  
By Monday October 30th





# YARROW LIBRARY FALL EVENT SCHEDULE

## NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

Join us this fall for events and programming for all ages.  
All events are free and everyone is welcome.

### FOR KIDS

**FAMILY STORYTIME|WED NOV 8-29 |10-10:30AM**

Children and caregivers will enjoy interactive stories, songs, rhymes, and more! Storytime helps children prepare to read.

**CHRISTMAS FAMILY STORYTIME AND CRAFT|WED DEC 6|10-11AM**

A seasonal Storytime and a carol or two, followed by a Christmas craft.

**PAWS4 STORIES| NOV 28|3-4PM**

St. John Ambulance - SJA Child Certified Therapy Dogs are the perfect fit for those needing a friend to read to. Please have a book picked out to read to the dog ahead of your 15-minute appointment. Please call or drop by the Library to schedule a session.

**CHRISTMAS SCAVENGER HUNT|WED DEC 6-DEC 21**

Have a seasonal hunt through the library and receive a prize!

### FOR EVERYONE

**CRAFTERNOON|THURS NOV 9|  
3:30-5PM**

Come to the library to craft, a drop in craft program suitable for ages 5+ or Adult assistance. We will be making Remembrance Day crafts.

**YARROW STORYWALK| ONGOING**

The 1km Storywalk begins at the Browne Creek Wetlands on the Beaver Loop and Kingfisher Trails. This wonderful project was made possible by a generous donation from Envision Financial, division of first West Credit Union.

For more events, follow us on social media or visit [yourpubliclibrary.org](http://yourpubliclibrary.org).

Yarrow Library

4670 Community Street, Yarrow | 604-823-4664

Read. Learn. Play. | [www.fvrl.ca](http://www.fvrl.ca)





# CHILLIWACK 150 FOOD TRUCK AND FIREWORKS FESTIVAL

Join us for an evening of entertainment, food trucks and fireworks!

 Saturday, November 18

 Event opens at 6 pm with fireworks at 7 pm  
\*weather permitting

 Townsend Park - 45130 Wolfe Rd

 [chilliwack.com/150events](http://chilliwack.com/150events)



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## Protect children from respiratory illnesses this winter

Respiratory illnesses tend to increase as we spend more time indoors. Common colds, the flu and COVID-19 spread through tiny droplets as people who are sick breathe, talk, cough or sneeze. When other people touch these droplets and then their eyes, mouth or nose before washing their hands they may become sick.

There are a handful of steps both children and adults can take to protect themselves and limit the spread of respiratory illnesses:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use alcohol-based sanitizer if soap and water is not available.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, mouth and nose.
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow.
  - If you have symptoms, stay home and stay away from people at higher risk of serious illness.

### Flu and COVID-19 vaccinations

The best way to protect others and reduce the risk of getting sick with the flu and COVID-19 is to [get immunized](#). The flu and COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective, and available for free to anyone aged six months and older.

It is much safer to get the vaccines than to get the illnesses. Register your children with the Get Vaccinated system so that you can be invited to book their vaccinations when they are due.

Learn more here: <https://ow.ly/5WWe50PYIYC>

