



FRANK J NEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Mrs. Jacquie Poulin, Principal
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Mrs. Janet Buckland, Secretary

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Once again June has appeared way faster than I thought possible, it feels like just yesterday I was meeting the Frank Ney community for the first time and welcoming everyone to the 2017-2018 school year.

I want to start off by thanking everyone at Frank Ney - students, parents, and staff - for welcoming me so openly and kindly at the start of the year and all year long. After being in my previous school for nine years, I certainly was a bit anxious about coming to a new school, but everyone made the transition smooth and I now fully feel like a part of this great team.

As this school year draws to a close, I took a few minutes to go around the school to 'interview' some of our students in regards to their highlights this year, here is just a snapshot of what I heard:

"I love outdoor education, reading to my tree, exploring, and having fun while learning is awesome."

Grade 1 student

"Using Chromebooks this year really helped me with my writing. I like that I can access my work from any computer and that I can share my work with my friends and teacher."

Grade 6 student

"It was so much fun being on a relay team at the District Track Meet this year - hope I get to do that again.."

Grade 4 student

It has certainly been a year of many accomplishments and highlights. As I look back on the year to review the educational opportunities and highlights, field trips, and student growth we have seen, it is amazing that we were able to fit it all into one school year.

I want to thank everyone for the role they play in the education of the Frank Ney students. It is the involvement of everyone - students, teachers,

education assistants, secretary, parents, principal, extended family, friends - 'the whole community' - that really does 'raise a child'.

On that note, I would also like to wish everyone a very healthy and fun summer break. Be sure to take time to go for a walk, read a book, and just hang out with the family. I look forward to hearing about everyone's summer adventures in September.

Thank you again for a fabulous year, enjoy your summer!

See you on Tuesday, September 4th from 11:00 am - noon on that first day.

Yours in education,
Mrs. Jacquie Poulin



STAFF FAREWELL

We will be saying farewell to some very valued staff members this June. Our students and our community have benefited tremendously from the skills and dedication of all these individual. Thank you and farewell to: Ms. Lise Anderson, Ms. Alex King, Ms. Sarah Chickite, Ms. Darlene Brebber, Mrs. Jennifer Cyr, Ms. Kelly Pile, Mrs. Val Gerbracht, Mrs. Susan Welgan, Mrs. Dawn Harrison, and Mrs. Tanya Ramsey.

We will miss you all and wish you the very best in everything as you continue on new journeys. We also thank you for the many contributions you have made.

THANK YOU TO OUR PAC

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the dedicated parents of the Frank Ney PAC. This group of parents has worked on many projects and activities, large and small, throughout the year that have added to the overall success of our school. If you are interested in getting more involved next year, be sure to come by for a meeting or talk to one of the executive.

BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2018 - 2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Please note below our bell schedule for September stays the same as it was this year.

Monday Bell Schedule		Tuesday to Friday Bell Schedule
8:38 – 10:15 am		8:38 – 10:15 am
10:15 – 10:30 am	RECESS	10:15 – 10:30 am
10:30 – 11:45 am		10:30 – 11:45 am
11:45 – 12:20 pm	BIG RECESS	11:45 – 12:20 pm
12:20 – 1:30 pm		12:20 – 2:30 pm

ARE YOU MOVING?????

If you are planning to move away from the Frank Ney area this summer, or are transferring your children to another school next year, please advise the office as soon as possible. Your cooperation greatly assists us in determining our numbers and school organization for the 2018 - 2019 school year.

SEPTEMBER START-UP

The first day of school is often a time of great excitement for students, staff and families. As educators, we also look forward to September opening with a great deal of excitement and anticipation. With our significant increase in enrolment in September as we welcome students joining us from Rutherford, the reality is that student class placement will take several days. It is always our intention to settle into routines with as little disruption as possible.

This year, students will attend for only one hour on Tuesday, September 4th, from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. Students will then attend for a full day on Wednesday, September 5th. On Tuesday morning we will ask all Grade 1 - 7 students to meet in the gym for a short assembly before we move to classrooms to do attendance and go over how the week will be organized. Throughout this first week, students will work in same grade groups and in cross-grade groups as we re-connect with each other. Staff members will carefully check the attendance, add to the list new registrations, and determine final student placements for 2018 - 2019. We are anticipating that we will not be assigning students to their classes until the Monday morning of the next week.

Parents of Kindergarten students will receive a letter of welcome in the mail in August with specific

information about your child's first day in attendance and the gradual entry program at Frank Ney School. Our teachers are looking forward to meeting all of our new Frank Ney School students in September. Please note that Kindergarten students do not attend school on September 4th.

TENTATIVE SCHOOL ORG. 2018 - 2019

At this point there is a very tentative class organizational structure that will be finalized during the first week of September. We have worked carefully, following Frank Ney School placement guidelines to create balanced classes, placing your child in the next grade level, recognizing their learning styles and needs. Great care is taken to ensure your child has the very best learning opportunity in the coming year.

TRACK AND FIELD

The District Track and Field meet was very exciting and all of our athletes that participated did very well. A big congratulations to these 38 athletes as it is really an amazing feat to qualify for this meet - great work! Frank Ney finished the District Meet with a first place pennant for small schools - way to go!

Once again a special thank you to all those volunteer parents, grandparents', extended family, and friends who came out to help support these events and our athletes and cheer them on in such a positive manner!!



SUMMER READING CLUB 2018

Summer Reading @ Vancouver Island Regional Library

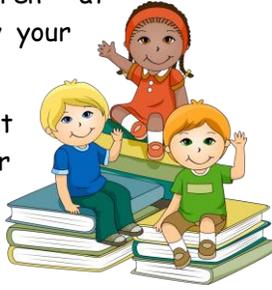
Summer vacation is almost here and your children are no doubt dreaming about fun times and adventures! But in order to keep your children's reading skills sharp; it's also a smart idea to include reading as a part of their summer fun.

Like all skills, a little practice goes a long way. Vancouver Island Regional Library invites kids aged 0 - 12 years to join Summer Reading Club. Participants will embark on many reading adventures at the library

Best of all, Summer Reading Club is free.

You can register your children at www.virl.bc.ca or you can drop by your local branch.

For more information, call or visit your local branch of Vancouver Island Regional Library or visit www.virl.bc.ca. In remote areas, the program is available through our Books by Mail service. Please call 1-877-415-8475 for information.



Planning a family trip or vacation? Don't forget that children can borrow from and return books to any of the 39 branches of Vancouver Island Regional Library located on Vancouver Island (except Victoria), Haida Gwaii, and Bella Coola on the central mainland coast. We make it that easy for you!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Fri., July 6 School closes for summer break
- Mon., Aug 27 School Office Reopens
- Tues., Sept 4 First day of School (11:00 am - 12:00 pm)
- Wed., Sept. 5 First full day for students!!
- Tues., Sept. 18 Photo Day
- Tues., Sept 18 PAC mtg - 6 pm - Library
- Thurs., Oct. 4 Curriculum Inservice Day (students not in session)
- Fri., Oct. 5 Pro-d Day (students not in session)
- Mon., Oct. 8 Thanksgiving (schools closed)
- Fri., Oct. 19 Pro-d Day (students not in session)
- Tues., Oct. 23 PAC mtg - 6 pm - Library
- Tues., Oct. 30 Photo Re-take Day
- Mon., Nov. 12 Remembrance Day stat (schools closed)
- Tues., Nov. 20 PAC mtg - 6 pm - Library
- Tues., Dec. 18 PAC mtg - 6 pm - Library
- Fri., Dec. 21 School Closes for Winter Vacation

** many other dates and events will be added in the Fall once the school events calendar is further developed - but here is a start☺

