



Margaret "Ma" Murray
Community School
Week Ahead 2023-2024
November 20-24th, 2023



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20 Assembly 9:00 a.m. Diwali celebration Girls A Volleyball tournament (3pm) @ ARYES	21 Learning Updates aka report cards go home Boys A Volleyball tournament (3pm) @ ARYES	22 Early Dismissal Day Classes out @ 1:45 p.m. Girls/Boys B Volleyball tournament (2pm) @ ARYES	23 Early Dismissal Day Classes out @ 1:45 p.m. NO CULTURE CLUB	24 Interviews School closed
27	28	29	30	Dec 1
4 Assembly @ 9 a.m.	5	6 Staff meeting @ 3:00 p.m.	7	8

P.A.C. Information: For our 2023/2024 fall season, we have taken over the Purdy's fundraiser, which you can access at <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1770625-108544> . You can use our campaign code 70501 to connect to our Christmas campaign. All orders must be in by November 26 and the planned pick-up day will be December 11th.

Our next P.A.C. meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 12th at 3:00 p.m.


Learning Updates: The first formal learning update will be going home on Tuesday, November 21st. This document will replace what we know as report cards. Gone are letter grades in

intermediate classes. Although quite different, the learning update will continue to give parents information on how their child is doing in each subject area (glow), where the child needs to go next (grow), how their child can improve (goal) and how families can help at home. To learn more about the changes, check out:

<https://www.prn.bc.ca/board/k-12-reporting-policy-framework-2023-2024/>

Letter grades in intermediate have been changed to match the proficiency scales in the primary years. The proficiency scale makes learning the focus rather than the comparison with others. It lets you know where your child is in their learning and what they need to work on. Along with the information provided by the proficiency scale, you will receive written comments to give you even more information about what your child can work on. The learning update will include student self-assessments of the Core competencies as well as goal setting in each term.

The proficiency scale will be used consistently throughout the K-9 years.

Proficiency Scale				
	Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
	The student demonstrates an initial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a partial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a complete understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.

The Emerging EMG – Developing DEV – Proficient PRF – Extending EXT scale is already in use in the Provincial Assessments in Grades 4, 7, 10, and 12. The Proficiency Scale will be used in learning updates and summaries of learning (previously known as report cards) starting in the 2023-2024 school year.

Early Dismissal Days and the Pro-d Day this week will be used for meetings between parents and teachers. Each classroom teacher will send out their schedule for you to sign up for appointments. We will have the lost and found displayed for you to check out. It is astonishing how much has collected since Thanksgiving.

Upcoming Dates:

- Tuesday, December 12th at 3:00 p.m. P.A.C. meeting
- Wednesday, December 20th at 6:30 p.m. Christmas concert

Upcoming Activities:

- Donut Sale - order forms have gone home - proceeds will go towards the Hospital “Be An Angel Campaign”

- PJ Drive - this is a challenge between house teams and if we collect 70 pairs of PJs by December 8th, we will have an “Elf Day” the following week.
- Christmas cards/letters for soldiers and seniors - sponsored by Early Act - cards will be provided at the school and all students are encouraged to complete one either at school or at home.
- Sponsor a senior - last year we cumulatively made up 40+ Christmas gift bags for seniors - we delivered these gifts and sang carols to the seniors at the same time. Lists of items will be sent out soon.

The weeks are so busy with so many learning opportunities and activities. We look forward to seeing families at all activities and encourage you to join us for assemblies.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Scheck
Principal

Mr. Clements
Vice Principal

Mrs. Gibos
Secretary

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Community Bridge is seeking Pyjama drop-off locations in Fort St. John

THE Christmas Pyjama DRIVE

PLACE A BOX AT YOUR BUSINESS FOR NEW PYJAMAS
(Sizes Newborn to 18 years)
WE WILL PICK UP
DECEMBER 11TH

Interested? Call Tiffany at 250-785-6021