



FALCON FLYER

YOUR MONTHLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WE ARE A LEARNING COMMUNITY THAT VALUES RESPECT, COMPASSION, INTEGRITY AND PERSISTENCE.

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IMPORTANT DATES

May 19 - PAC Meeting
via ZOOM
May 21 - Non Instructional Day #7
No School
May 24 - Victoria Day
No School

June 18 - Sports Day
June 29 - Students Last Day
June 29 - Report Cards Go Home
June 30 - Teachers Last Day

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FRASER EDIBLE GARDEN POD G

Mrs. Kraljevic



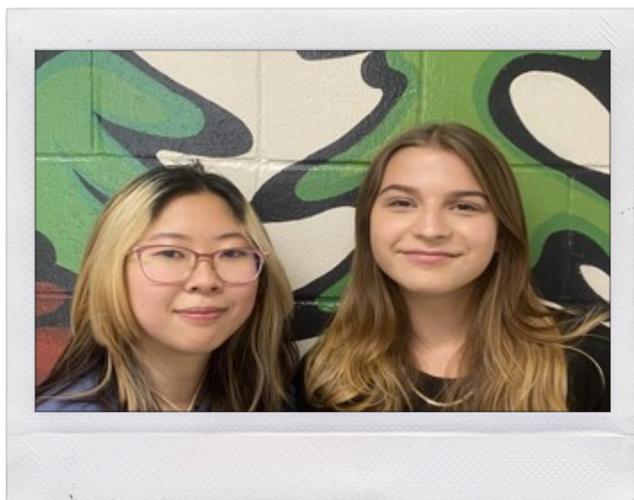
Pod G has been busy germinating seed for the Fraser Edible Garden. This year they have tomatoes, zucchini, peppers, onions, radishes, spinach, peas, beans and garlic.

THANK YOU!



We have amazing neighbours! This gentleman is often cleaning up the school grounds. We appreciate you for all you do.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH MARCH



DASHA MOSKVINA & IRIS WANG - GRADE 8

Dasha and Iris are top scholars. They are hard working and always **persevere** no matter how challenging the task. Their work shows excellent attention to detail, and they strive to extend their understanding. Dasha and Iris have only ever shown kindness and **respect** to those around them. They are always inclusive and work well with others.

They have a strong character and always lead with **integrity**. Dasha and Iris embody all the virtues of a Fraser Falcon; they are well deserving recipients of the accolade "Student of the Month".

KEATON WITTICK - GRADE 7

Keaton is a top scholar in our Pod. He is hard working and always perseveres no matter how challenging the task. Keaton's work shows excellent attention to detail and strives to extend his understanding whenever possible. Keaton is patient with his peers and shows kindness and respect to those around him. He is always inclusive and works well with others.

He has a strong character and contributes to the learning environment with integrity. Keaton embodies all the virtues of a Fraser Falcon; he is a well deserving recipient of the accolade Grade 7 Student of the Month.



YURI OLLENBERGER - GRADE 6

Yuri is a top scholar. He is hard working and always perseveres no matter how challenging the task. He often goes above and beyond to complete work at an extending level. His work shows excellent attention to detail. Yuri consistently shows kindness and respect to those around him. He is polite, helpful, inclusive and works well with all the students in our class.

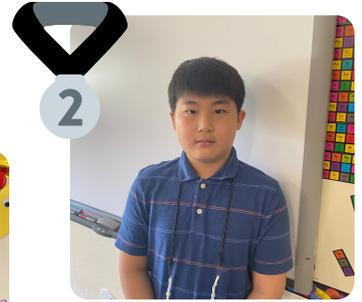
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GRADE 6 - PUBLIC SPEAKING OVERALLS

The Grade 6 team had their Public Speaking finals on April 22. Finalists spoke in their own homeroom classrooms, behind plexiglass. Our judges enjoyed a wide variety of topics, from geckos to extended lunch hours. Congratulations to Sloane Salter, placing first with her speech on soccer being the best sport. Second place went to Minwoo Choie for his speech on protecting our environment. Ufuoma Emuobome's speech on artificial intelligence was third place.

Congratulations to all finalists, we applaud your hard work, hours of practice and bravery in presenting to your peers. Thank-you to our judges, Mr. Peters and Mrs. Hunter.



GRADE 7 - PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALIST

Mrs. Presta's and Mr. Beisiegel's classes recently held a pod final for their speeches. All grade 7's chose a topic of interest to write about and got up in front of their classmates to deliver their speech.

A final competition was held on Friday, April 30th. Our speech finalists were Emma Hopkins-Thompson, Isabel

De Klein, Melody Brisson and Alicia Kraft. All of our finalists worked especially hard to perfect their speeches. They performed their speeches for the second time in front of both classes. After considerable deliberation, our honourable judges announced Alicia Kraft as our winner.

Alicia's speech about the incredible contributions of Mala Yousafzai and Viola Desmond and their fight to improve women's rights was inspiring and powerful. Congratulations Alicia on your win!

GRADE 8 - UPDATE

Another month full of excitement in grade 8! High school course selection is complete, our Safe Relationships program just finished, and our students are rolling along. Some of our recent learning includes exploration into society through novels, poetry and short stories, giving us a lens to view and discuss history, our current state, and the future of our world. Students have constructed 3D homes based in traditional settings across the world, studied French speaking cultures and explored our local history through Math, Art, French and Social Studies. As we head into the final six week stretch, we will all have opportunities to engage in even more hands-on learning and labs as we solidify our learning in areas like scientific method and deepen our knowledge of language.



HOME ARTS

Mrs. Snow

It's hard to believe that we're in the final rotation of the school year. We have been very fortunate this year in Home Arts to meet all of the covid-19 safety protocols required for working with food.

It's always fun to work with the various grade levels preparing nutritious and yummy food. Below are pictures of G27 and H36 as they have their first lab practicing safe knife skills.

Students in E27 did an amazing job on their final baking test. These were the best crinkles of any of the spice crinkles that were baked. The cookies were required to have a perfect crunch on the outside with a soft and chewy centre, a glisteny top with lots of crinkly cracks across the top... Well done!

Grade eights are looking forward to the high level of work in their final year in Home Arts at Middle School. Below are students in B18 and A 28 with their banana bread muffin tops. A quick and easy treat that is gluten-free, refined sugar-free and most of all delicious. A perfect way to get back into using the ovens and our safe kitchen skills.

For access to all the recipes go to wafrazerhomearts.weebly.com.

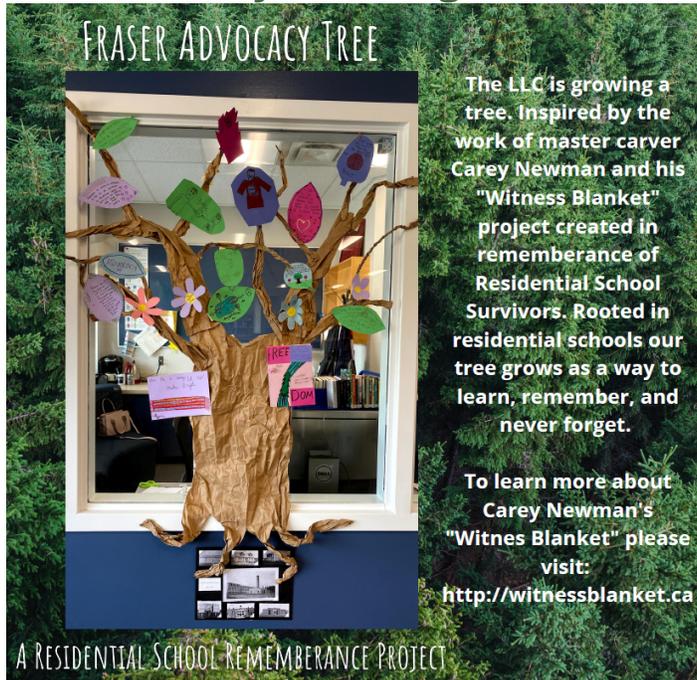
While in grade 6 (June 2019) current grade eight students Grace Lockington and Olivia Webster competed in a strawberry pie competition that was open to all Home Ec students in Abbotsford. Here's a copy of their [winning recipe](#). We thought you would enjoy it as strawberry season is almost upon us. As well, here is an easy, delicious and healthy [strawberry jam recipe](#) - can you tell I love strawberries!

Remember... **to eat is a necessity, to eat intelligently is an art!**



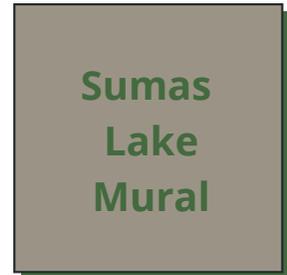
What's Happening...

In the Library Learning Commons



The LLC is growing a tree. Inspired by the work of master carver Carey Newman and his "Witness Blanket" project created in remembrance of Residential School Survivors. Rooted in residential schools our tree grows as a way to learn, remember, and never forget.

To learn more about Carey Newman's "Witness Blanket" please visit: <http://witnessblanket.ca>



Work continues on the mural in LLC

U.F.V. Student Teachers

W.A. Fraser Middle has had three teacher candidates from the U.F.V. Bachelor of Education program for the past 13 weeks. Ms. Draayers has been working with Mr. Boldt and pod 8A. She has taught Geometry, Human Vision and Atomic Theory. Ms. Lepine has been working with Mrs. Fraser and pod 6K. She taught units on the Solar system, Geometry and French food. Mr. Smith has been working with Mrs. Davids and pod 6K. His main units taught were Canadian Government, Persuasive Writing/Public Speaking and Residential Schools.

These three teacher candidates finish their practicum this week and return to UFV to complete coursework. They will be done their degrees in early June. Congratulations on a successful practicum and we wish you all the best in your teaching careers! -Mrs. Fraser & Mrs. Davids (Pod K), Mr. Boldt (Pod A)



Left:
Ms. Lepine



Right:
Mr. Smith

What's Happening...

Ms. Roger Grade 6 - The Fabric Bag Solution

The grade 6 team worked hard to create an Earth Day art assignment in April to donate to a group called The Fabric Bag Solution. Our artwork was sent out to Food banks and first responders around the lower mainland inside handmade reusable bags. We also challenged classes to bring in their single use plastic bags from home. The classes who brought in the most, each won a class set of handmade bags donated to us from The Fabric Bag Solution. Thanks to everyone who participated in helping us reduce plastic in the environment! You can check out The Abbotsford News article here!

<https://www.abbynews.com/community/abbotsford-school-and-sewing-group-team-up-for-earth-day-project/>

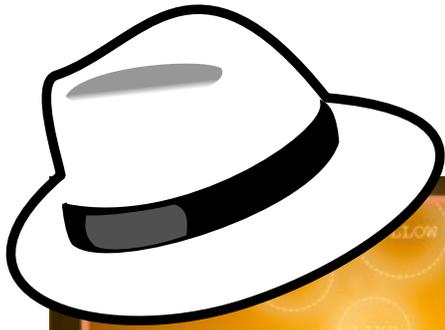


2021 Fraser Grade 5 Tour

Mr. Johnston & Mr. Peters have been busy meeting virtually with each of our feeder schools to help our future Fraser Falcons transition to middle school. Grade 5 parents & guardians will receive a link to their virtual meeting, sometime next week. Please watch your emails for details of the meeting, scheduled for May 27th.

In the mean time here is a link to view our 2021 Grade 5 School Tour.

<https://frasermiddle.abbyschools.ca/node/56009>



THE WHITE HATTER



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STRENGTH IN COMMUNITY



The Abbotsford Police Department PATHWAYS and The White Hatter are offering five FREE Social Media Safety & Digital Literacy Webinars for Parents, Caregivers, and Educators.

The Internet has become intertwined with our youth's lives and these FREE webinars are designed to help you understand what you can do to keep your children protected while online. By educating yourself and increasing your online literacy, you can take appropriate steps to protect your family.

Registration and additional details for this **FREE** webinar can be found on Eventbrite: **AbbyPD**

SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY & DIGITAL LITERACY FOR PARENTS

Thursday, June 10th from 7-9pm

ONLINE PREDATION AND EXPLOITATION: WHAT IS THE THREAT AND WHAT CAN PARENTS DO TO REDUCE THE RISKS

Wednesday, June 16th from 7-8:30pm

SEXTING, NUDES, AND INTIMATE IMAGES: WHAT IS THE PROBLEM, WHAT DOES THE LAW SAY, AND WHAT DO PARENTS NEED TO KNOW

Wednesday, June 23rd from 7-8:30pm

ONLINE GAMING: FACTS, FICTION, AND MENTAL WELLNESS AND WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW

Wednesday, June 30th from 7-8:30pm

THE DARK AND DANGEROUS SIDE OF THE INTERNET AND SOCIAL MEDIA: WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW

Wednesday, July 7th from 7-8:30pm

Register @
eventbrite

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/d/online/abbypd/>

