

F.E.S. Family Connections

Nov. 14th-18th, 2022

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<p>Monday, November 14th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Morning Open Gym-Grade 1 ○ Inside Out Day for World Diabetes Day (\$1) ○ Deadline to purchase Holiday Wreath on School Cash Online 	<p>Thursday, November 17th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Morning Open Gym-Grade 4 ○ Chess Club- Grade 5 ○ National Jersey Day ○ Kick Off To Kindergarten 7pm
<p>Tuesday, November 15th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Morning Open Gym-Grade 2 ○ Lego Club-Kindergarten 	<p>Friday, November 18th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No school-Professional learning and report card preparation ○ F.E.S. Online Christmas Auction begins
<p>Wednesday, November 16th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Morning Open Gym-Grade 3 ○ Tinker Tray Club (K-2) ○ Newcomers Club @ 10:15 in the guidance office ○ Healthy Lunch Food Period #3- Ordering website opens 	<p>Upcoming Dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nov. 20th -F.E.S. Christmas Auction closes ○ Nov. 21st- Student led clubs begin ○ Nov. 22nd- Grade 1 Lego club ○ Nov. 23rd- Healthy Lunch Food Period #3- Ordering website closes ○ Nov. 24th- Grade 4 chess club ○ Nov. 25th- Healthy Lunch Food Period #2 Ends ○ Nov. 26th- KV Santa Parade ○ Nov. 28th- Food Period #3 begins ○ Nov. 29th- Grade 2 Lego Club ○ Dec. 1st- Report cards distributed ○ Dec. 2nd -No school for students- School Improvement Planning staff

Information Items:

- **Monday is World Diabetes Day** and the theme is Access to Diabetes Care. On Monday children will learn, in child friendly language, what Type 1 Diabetes is and how it is treated. We encourage our children to add a little fun by wearing clothing inside out and bringing a loonie to donate to Camp Dragonfly, a Type 1 Diabetes Camp in NB where children get to be children knowing that diabetes care is a top priority.
- We have partnered with a **wreath maker** from the Kingston Peninsula for our **holiday wreath fundraiser**. Beautiful 12" double sided fir wreaths with bow for \$20. Orders can be placed through your School Cash Online account and is open to anyone with an account, not just Fairvale Elementary families. If you have interested family, friends, or neighbours who do not have a School Cash Online account, we suggest placing the

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order on their behalf through your account. Please order by **Monday, Nov. 14th** with delivery to the school by Monday, Dec. 5th. The link below will take you directly to the fundraiser.

<https://asd-s.schoolcashonline.com/.../36609/193/False/True>

- School Sport Canada **National Jersey Day** is **Thursday, Nov. 17th**. We encourage students and staff to show their love and support for sport by wearing a sport jersey to school, work, or play.
- We are **huge proponents of outdoor learning** and **being active** and love that our children engage in a variety of activities during outdoor play time. On any given day you would find children playing soccer, basketball, wallball, building forts in the woods, playing on Dreamland, participating in sidewalk games, and exploring freely on the playground. Until recently we had no problem with children bringing their own soccer balls, basketballs, or tennis balls for wall ball. In some instances, what started to occur is that the owner of the ball (brought from home) was determining who was permitted to play. Given that we have one soccer area for each grade level (gr. 2-5) we needed to ensure that all students interested in playing were welcomed to play. By using school equipment, we were able to eliminate the sense of ownership that some children demonstrated when using their own ball. We explained to the children that they could continue to bring their own balls to use in small groups, but school balls would be utilized on our soccer and basketball fields to ensure everyone could participate. When parents/guardians have questions or concerns regarding decisions we make, I ask that you reach out to us for clarification, rather than expressing your frustrations about F.E.S. on social media. We welcome your feedback and are always willing to discuss concerns you may have.
- Our **Kick-Off to Kindergarten session will take place on Thursday at 7pm**. This meeting will provide parents and guardians with an opportunity to learn more about the Transition to School program and the planned activities and events throughout the pre-school year. There will be suggestions of activities that could be done at home and other information to encourage your child's learning, as he/she gets ready to begin school in September 2023.