

F.E.S. Family Connections

January 25th-29th

Vision: F.E.S students will be passionate life-long learners who contribute as responsible leaders in the global community.

What is Happening:

- **Wednesday, Jan. 27th**- Family Literacy Day & Dress Up As Your Favourite Story Book Character or Author
- **Friday, Jan. 29th**- school wide virtual literacy themed bingo
- **Wednesday, February 3rd**- Pink shirt order deadline (optional)
- **Wednesday, February 24th**- Pink Shirt Day!

Information Items:

- Our students and staff have done a great job as we transitioned to the Red Level! Besides wearing masks during phys. Ed, everything has remained the same for students. There have been more changes for staff and they have adapted well. Thank you for your continued support.
- Family Literacy Day takes place every January 27th to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family. Since 1999, thousands of schools, libraries, literacy organizations and other community groups have taken part in the initiative. Taking time every day to read or do a learning activity with children is crucial to a child's development, improving a child's literacy skills dramatically, and can help a parent improve their skills as well.
- Join a special event with author and illustrator Barbara Reid on Wednesday January 27, 2021 from 5:30-6:00. She will be doing a demonstration on how to use clay to create a picture. She will share unique techniques you can use to make different things. The event will end with a Q&A. This event is ideal for children in grades 1 to 6. To register, please [click here](#). Spaces are limited, so be sure to register as soon as possible to secure your spot.
- In conjunction with Family Literacy Day, we will be hosting a few activities throughout the week celebrating literacy. We will be doing an outside scavenger hunt, Dress Up as your favourite character or author day, and doing a school wide Literacy themed Bingo.
- We ask families to continue to send your child/children with three masks each day.
- There will be virtual French Second Language Information sessions for families of Kindergarten and Grade 5 students who may be interested in French Immersion for next year. More information to follow.
- Pink Shirt Day has humble beginnings and was inspired by an act of kindness in Nova Scotia. David Shepherd, Travis Price and their teenage friends organized a high-school protest to wear pink in sympathy with a Grade 9 boy who was being bullied [for wearing a pink shirt]. They took a stand against bullying when they protested against the harassment of a new Grade 9 student by distributing pink T-shirts to all the boys in their school. We encourage all students to wear pink on Feb. 24th 😊 Anyone who is interested in purchasing a Pink shirt (\$6), please see attached. We will be setting up this item on School Cash online on Monday and will need to charge \$6.25 to cover the service fees. Orders must be made by Wednesday, Feb. 3rd.