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## January 2024 Newsletter

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Hello, bonjour, ki?su?k kyukyit Panther families,

It's been a fast first month of 2024 at EIDES highlighted by many academic projects, a FSS Band concert, the Great Big Buddy Reading Day along with lots of extra-curricular club action!

February will be no less action-packed so keep an eye out for lots of interesting learning ahead - Black History Month, planning for Pink Shirt Day plus Movie Night fundraiser (both on the 28<sup>th</sup>) and of course the ever-popular sessions for K-3 skating and ski days for grades 4-6.

With all that is going on at EIDES, from classroom events to school-wide ones, we'd like to recognize the effort this takes for organizers and invite all adults (parents, family, or friends) who are interested to join in as volunteers. Whether you can help tie skate laces at the primary skating days, give an extra hand to the drama production or join your child's teacher as they plan a field trip – we so appreciate your time and support during these wonderful experiences!

Thank you! Merci beaucoup! Hu sukita?ukni,

Janet Kuijt & Amy Leeden

ÉIDES Admin Team



# Important Dates and Upcoming Events

- January 26 School Break-No School
- January 30 Parent Connect Series-Intermediate Numeracy Support 7-8pm
- February 1-29 Black History Month
- February 2 Professional Development Day-NO SCHOOL
- February 13 CBAL Kinder PALS Session 1
- February 16 School Break-No School
- February 19 BC Family Day-No School
- February 28 Pink Shirt Day
- February 28 Blue Lake Movie night-In the Gym
- March 1 School Break- No School
- March 5 CBAL Kinder PALS Session 2
- March 8 Basketball Tournament
- March 11 Drama Production Dress Rehearsal
- March 13 Drama Production Evening Performance
- March 15 Fresh Air Friday
- March 18-March 29 Spring Break-No School
- April 1 Easter Monday- No School

## School District 5

### 2023-2024 Annual School Calendar

January 2024						
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May 2024						
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- School Breaks
- Professional Development Days
- Stat Holidays
- Administrative Day
- Second Semester

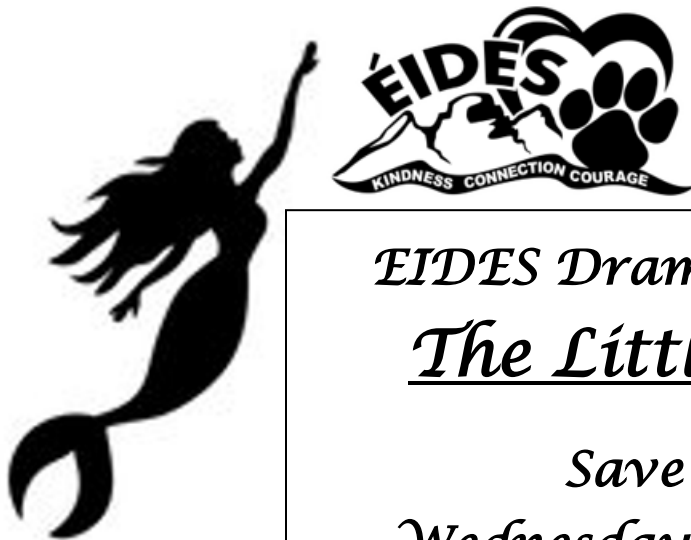
# PAC NEWS

Next PAC meeting is on February 6, 2024 @7pm in the

Grade 6 Blue Lake Parents have been working hard to fundraise for the graduate's year end camp trip. We're looking forward to all the exciting fundraising events that PAC has been working hard to organize. We have Candy Grams, Kernels Popcorn fundraiser and a movie night. They have so many parents to thank for all the volunteering at Pizza Days, Ghost Rider Security, Winter Extravaganza, and the Holiday Shopping Event. Thanks to the hoody organizers, we have a great looking group in their "Grad Hoodies".

**Keep an eye out for the 2024 clothing order coming out at the end of February.  
All your favorite ÉIDES gear with some new fantastic colours will be available to order soon.**

**Get ready to show your school spirit fashionably!**



*ÉIDES Drama Club Presents:  
The Little Mermaid*

*Save the date:  
Wednesday March 13, 2024*

# From the Office

**A reminder the first morning bell is at 8:50 am**

If you're late, PLEASE sign in at the office so we know you're here.

If you're leaving early, PLEASE sign out at the office.

Please let the office know as soon as possible when your child is away, either on the School Messenger app,

email us at [ides.mailing@sd5.bc.ca](mailto:ides.mailing@sd5.bc.ca)

Or call and leave a message 250-423-4651

Come prepared everyday, including spare change of clothes, for those wet days



**Kindergarten Registration starts February 1, 2024  
For children born in 2019. See poster on next page for  
full details.**



**Thank you reading Log Volunteers!**

They are accepting donations of gently used books that might need new readers!

Donations can be brought to the office.



# SCHOOL DISTRICT 5

S O U T H E A S T K O O T E N A Y

Come to School with Us Viens  
à l'école avec nous  
**September 2024 Entry**

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) welcomes all children born between January 1, 2019, and December 31, 2019, and encourages parents to register their children at their catchment area school for September 2024 kindergarten entry. Registration and enrolment application forms shall only be accepted by the catchment area school commencing on Thursday, February 1, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) provides all students with a warm and caring learning environment. We offer our kindergarten students a developmentally appropriate program along with access to computer technology, a Fine Arts program and student services support. French Immersion kindergarten is available at T.M. Roberts Elementary School.

School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) will continue to use the online registration option for kindergarten students. A registration link will be posted on the District and elementary school websites.

**Please do not complete an online application for children that have been enrolled in StrongStart programs in the province.** If your child has been enrolled or is currently enrolled in a local StrongStart, they will be automatically enrolled in their catchment school. Please contact your catchment school directly to confirm registration. If you are unsure which school is your catchment area school, please visit the [school locator](#) on our district website.

All registrations will be dealt with on a first-come, first-serve basis. A birth certificate or other legally acceptable document, along with proof of B.C. residency (i.e., mortgage statement, rental agreement, or utility bill) must be provided at the time of registration. Registrations will not be completed until such documentation is made available.

Please register early to ensure your child can attend your catchment area school. Parents who wish their child to attend a school outside their catchment area are required to first register their child at their catchment area school. To request a transfer, pick up a "Family Request for Student Placement Form" from your catchment area school or [download](#) the form and return it to the School Board Office. Board Office staff will only begin to accept these completed forms on Thursday, February 1, 2024. Forms can be submitted via email to [studenttransfers@sd5.bc.ca](mailto:studenttransfers@sd5.bc.ca). Please refer to [Administrative Procedure 300](#) for more information.

## FRENCH IMMERSION REGISTRATION

French Immersion is available in both Cranbrook and Fernie:

- Cranbrook - Kindergarten or grade one: please register at T.M. Roberts Elementary
- Fernie - Grade 4: please register at Isabella Dicken Elementary

### For more information, please contact:

Carlene Lochrie, Principal, T. M. Roberts Elementary School (250-489-4575) Janet Kuijt,  
Principal, Isabella Dicken Elementary School (250-423-4651)

**If you have any questions, please contact your neighborhood school or the school board office at 250-426- 4201 (extension 0) or toll-free 1-866-489-4201.**

We look forward to your child joining us in School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay).


# Panther Athletics

Running Club for grades 2-6 is going strong. We have had a lot of marathons completed. Congratulations Runners! We run most Monday and Wednesdays at 12:15 Parents are welcome to join. Please wear appropriate running footwear. If it is cancelled for inclement weather, we try to post on our school Facebook page as soon as we know.

Basketball training has begun. We currently have Grade 4-6 practicing before and after school. We are very lucky to have so many parent and teacher volunteers. THANKS...we can't do it without you. Our Grade six teams will compete in the Elk Valley Tournament on March 8, in Sparwood **!!GO PANTHERS!!**

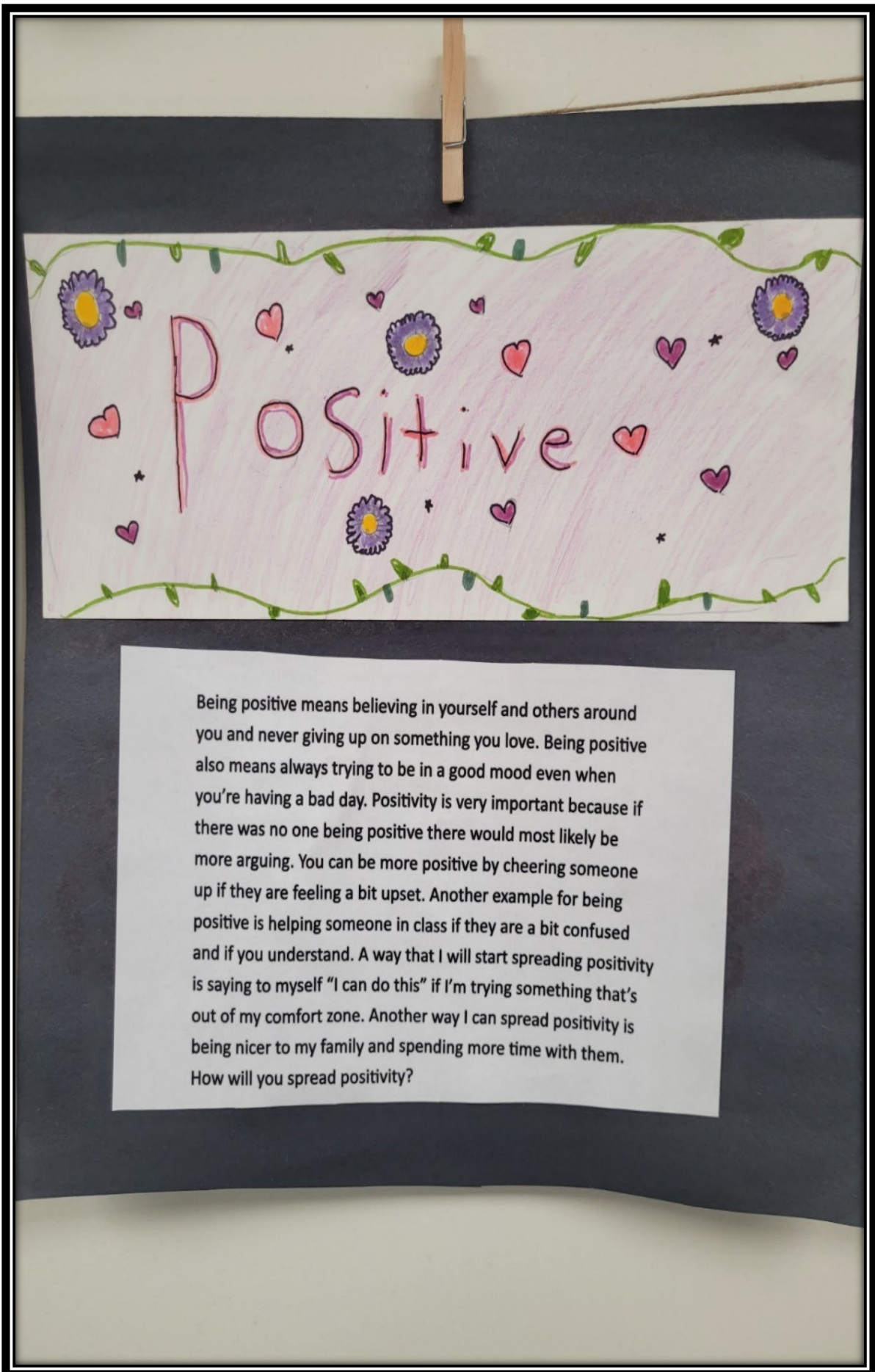


## Check out our incredible Extra-Curricular Club schedule!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Morning</b> 8:00-8:50		Grade 4 Girls Basketball	Grade 4 Boys Basketball	Grade 5 Girls Basketball	Grade 5 Boys Basketball
<b>Lunch</b>	Grade 2 and up Running Club 12:15	GAGA Ball -GYM- Gr. 6 Drama Song practice 12:15-12:40 music room	Grade 2 and up Running Club 12:15	Glee Club Gym 12:40	12:15-1:00 Grade 4-6 Art Club-Library Grade 4-6 Chess Club- Library
<b>After school</b> 3:15-4:30	Grade 6 GIRLS Basketball	Grade 6 BOYS Basketball	Gr K-3 Build it Club in the Library Grade 6 Drama Club	Boccia Gr2-6 Multi-Purpose Room Grade 6 GIRLS Basketball	Grade 6 BOYS Basketball
<i>As of January 23, 2024 (All scheduled activities subject to change)</i>					







Being positive means believing in yourself and others around you and never giving up on something you love. Being positive also means always trying to be in a good mood even when you're having a bad day. Positivity is very important because if there was no one being positive there would most likely be more arguing. You can be more positive by cheering someone up if they are feeling a bit upset. Another example for being positive is helping someone in class if they are a bit confused and if you understand. A way that I will start spreading positivity is saying to myself "I can do this" if I'm trying something that's out of my comfort zone. Another way I can spread positivity is being nicer to my family and spending more time with them. How will you spread positivity?



## Wednesday, February 28

In 2007, Berwick Nova Scotia, after a new student at their school was bullied for wearing a pink shirt, two grade 12 students bought 50 pink shirts and encouraged their classmates to wear pink. The next day they went to distribute the shirts and to their surprise most students arrived wearing pink! With that act of kindness, Pink Shirt Day was born.

In recognition of the Berwick event, Nova Scotia proclaimed the second Thursday of September "Stand Up Against Bullying Day." In 2008, British Columbia proclaimed February 27th to be the provincial anti-bullying day, and the movement has continued to grow. In 2012, the United Nations declared May 4 as Anti-Bullying Day, and now the last Wednesday each February is Canada's national Pink Shirt/anti-bullying day.

Many countries now recognize specific days for raising awareness about the prevention of bullying and promoting kindness and inclusion. In Canada, many students have heard the Pink Shirt Day message from kindergarten through to their high school graduation. The movement continues to grow!



# OUTDOOR SOCCER REGISTRATION

**IS NOW OPEN**  
**EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT**  
**\$10 UNTIL JAN 31/24**

U4 Sat 10-10:45am  
 U6 Sat. 10-11am  
 U8 Mon & Wed 5:30-6:30pm  
 U8 Tues & Thurs 5:30-6:30pm  
 U10 Mon & Wed 5:30-6:30pm  
 U12 Mon & Wed 6:30-7:30pm  
 U14 Tues & Thurs 6:30-7:30pm  
 U16 Tues & Thurs 6:30-7:30pm

[Registration Link](#)  
[www.ferniesoccer.com](http://www.ferniesoccer.com)

More info email [ferniesoccer@gmail.com](mailto:ferniesoccer@gmail.com)



Fernie youth soccer



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FYSA Gear Swap

**When?** Thursday 3.15-4.15  
**Where?** Multi Purpose Room  
**IDES**  
**What?** BOCCIA CLUB  
**Who?** Boccia is a seated game that can be played by anyone with or without a disability



[www.bocciacanada.ca](http://www.bocciacanada.ca)



## What Matters to You?

### Provincial Survey Invitation- BC Children's Hospital's

BC Children's Hospital's new centre for knowledge is inviting any child or youth 18 years of age or younger and/or their parents or family caregivers to complete this 5 to 10 minute survey. We would like to better support your family by making health information that is easy to find and understand. The purpose of this survey is to collect information to plan a new program for creating and sharing health information that partners with children, youth, and family caregivers from the beginning stages.

You may also choose to enter a draw for a **\$100 Indigo gift card**.

*Your personal information is protected by our privacy law in BC. This law is called the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA). We are collecting your information under section 26 (c) and (e) of FIPPA. If you have any questions about this topic or this survey, please contact Linda Warner, Patient and Family Engagement Advisor, Email: [linda.warner@cw.bc.ca](mailto:linda.warner@cw.bc.ca)*

There are three Ways to Share Provincial Survey:

- 1) **Public Survey URL:** <https://rc.bcchr.ca/redcap/surveys/?s=H9NMKL8DTPLFKCNE>
  
- 2) **Go to this web address:** <https://rc.bcchr.ca/redcap/surveys/>  
**Then enter this code: EH9NHFPRW**
  
- 3) **Access with phone camera using QR Code:**



**The survey is open until February 29, 2024 and is offered in the following languages:**