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**June 17th, 2024**

## Principal 's Message

We made it to June! What an incredible year this has been at FSS. This time of the year is bittersweet as we celebrate the successes and growth of our students while also preparing to say goodbye to those who are moving on to a new chapter in their life. I'd like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our PAC for their invaluable support and to our families, staff and students who made this year so memorable. Before we officially close the chapter on this school year, I'd like to remind everyone of a few important dates and events:

- Final **Learning Updates (reports)** will be accessible in MyEd on June 27<sup>th</sup>. Please take the time to review and save or print your child's report.
- On June 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 am we will be celebrating the hard work and achievements of our students at our **Student Awards and Recognition Assembly**.
- We celebrate the FSS 2024 graduating class on June 28<sup>th</sup>. The **Commencement Ceremony** will be held in the Fernie Arena at 10:00 am.
- Student to do list for this week:
  - Return library books and textbooks to the library
  - Check lost and found by the gymnasium for items that belong to them
  - Clean out lockers by Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. Locks go to homeroom teachers.

For families and students who are transitioning away from FSS, know that you will always be a part of our community. Best wishes to you as you embark on new adventures and continue your educational journeys. We look forward to seeing both new and returning students in September. Please note that the FSS office will be closed over the summer but will reopen on August 26<sup>th</sup> as we prepare for the start of the 2024-25 school year.

Have a wonderful summer break.

Warm regards,

Ms. Neufeld

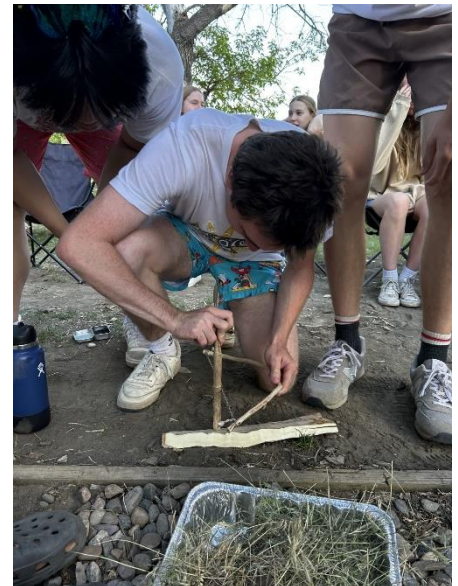


## Upcoming Dates To Note:

- June 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> Double Block Rotations
  - Wednesday June 19<sup>th</sup> AA Lunch BB
  - Thursday June 20<sup>th</sup> CC Lunch DD
- June 21<sup>st</sup>- Last day regular session day for students
  - Awards Ceremony 9:30am
  - Student and Staff BBQ (by donation for SPCA)
  - Student Council Fun Day (afternoon activities)
- **June 21<sup>st</sup> National Indigenous Peoples Day**
- June 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> Days for students in finish IE plans, catch up on missed work
- June 27<sup>th</sup> Final Learning Updates published in MyEd
- June 27<sup>th</sup> Commencement Rehearsal for all grads at the Arena 3:30 pm
- June 27<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm Grad Banquet at FSS Traynor Hall
- June 28<sup>th</sup> Commencement Ceremonies 10:00 am Fernie Arena
- June 28<sup>th</sup> 6:00 Grad Photos at City Hall, 7:00 pm Grand March at the Arena, followed by Prom



Last week, FSS Grade 11's took their learning on an overnight trip to **Writing-On-Stone Provincial Park.**







## School Counsellor

If you need to contact our school counsellor, please see their emails below.

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From Natalie Anderson, School Development Officer: Congratulations! We are so excited to announce that Fernie Secondary has placed on our **“Top Fundraising Schools of 2023”** list. To help celebrate your amazing achievement, we are providing you with a digital Top Fundraiser Badge! We hope that you are as proud as we are and want to share the good news with everyone by posting this badge on your school website and social media channels. May it serve as a reminder of the unwavering commitment and passion your school has demonstrated in the fight against cancer.

When Terry set out, 44 years ago, he could never have had imagined that his torch would have been carried by so many future generations. We are so grateful to you for making sure that the flame stays lit and Terry’s passion to help those with cancer continues. We can’t thank you enough for your continued support and we look forward to working with you in 2024!

## **Congratulations Mathletes!**

The FSS Math department is proud to congratulate the following students for participating in the University of Waterloo international math competitions. Between February and March 2024, we had 13 students compete in the competitions. Special recognition to Evie Woodall and Abel Sawatzky who won school medals. Additionally, Evie Woodall, Taryn Mutcher, and Oliver Turneau Earned second place in the Kootenay Zone, Grade 9 level. Congratulations! Special note: Last year Josh Gregr, Maggie Sutherland, and Taryn Mutcher won zones at the Grade 9 level. Congratulations!

Grade 8 (Competing in the grade 9 competition): Bea Atkin and Oliver Turneau

Grade 9: Jorja Dion, Taryn Mutcher, and Evie Woodall

Grade 10: Taylor Clarke, Josh Joynes, and Iris Thurmeier

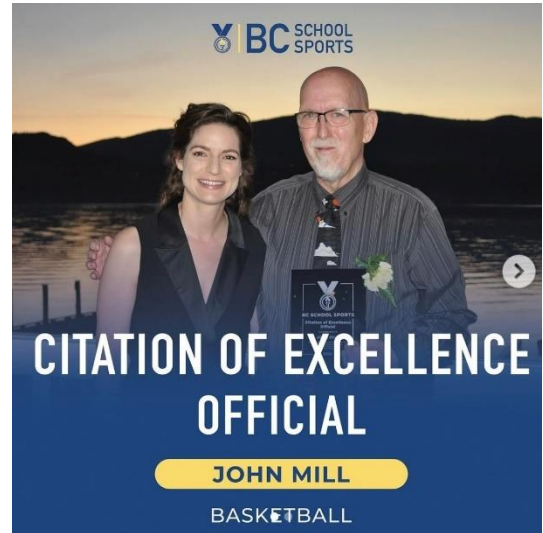
Grade 11: Audrey Hicken, Cohen Hide, and Abel Sawatzky

Grade 12: Evie Gadd and Wyatt Weber





On May 10, 2024, at the BC School Sports Annual Awards Banquet, John Mill was presented with the **Citation of Excellence Award in Officiating**. The Citation of Excellence Award in Officiating recognizes outstanding individuals and their distinguished contributions to the officiating of school sport. The recipient of this award has demonstrated outstanding commitment to school sport, being recognized as a quality official, while displaying the values of BCSS and fair play. John has dedicated himself to the sport of Basketball, and through his role as an official, he has officiated countless games, fostered a love for basketball in hundreds of youth, and built a community of officials to keep the culture of basketball strong in the Kootenay Region.



Please go to the following link to view the video for John: [John Mill Citation of Excellence Award in Officiating Video](#)

Fernie Secondary is grateful to have John Mill as part of our school community! Thank you, John!

## J'adore aventure camp

Hello everyone,

I hope your year has been wonderful and you're all excited for summer.

French summer camp offered for children aged 6(or turning 6 by Dec 31/24) to 10 years old.

This is a French speaking camp the first week of July 2nd-5th \$225 and then August 26th-30th, \$275

Nadine Baker

J'adore Aventure

Directrice de camp



A camp for 5-10 year olds francophone students

July 2-5th  
August 26-30th  
\$275 each week

Max turyk community center

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