

# École Alberni Elementary

March 8, 2023

## The Promise of Spring!

Spring always teases us with glimpses of what is to come and then just as quickly reverts to cooler, damp weather as a reminder that we aren't quite there yet! It has been a little while since we sent home a full newsletter. It is becoming easier and easier to send snippets home, digitally, via our website or through email. It is always nice to be able to share bigger chunks of news from time to time, though.

## Food Programs

We continue to offer both a Breakfast Program as well as a lunch program. In addition, PAC organizes several hot lunches throughout the year. PAC uses a digital platform to manage their fundraising, but we also provide paper order forms. There is a cut-off date for those orders so that our providers are able to fill the orders, efficiently. Our lunch program is an SD70 program and requires parents to fill out an envelope and return it to the office. For our own record keeping, it is important to have those envelopes returned prior to the start of the next month. We pay a small fee for each lunch we receive, so if we have to give out "extras" because we are missing forms, those costs can start to add up. Similarly, if students don't have their forms in and we've adjusted the order, there may not be any extras available for students who need. Please return those envelopes to Ms. McLeod at the office. The breakfast program is open to all students – they can get morning snacks from volunteers in the fieldhouse. We are always looking for more volunteers if you'd like to help. Contact Wendy at [wpb4@outlook.com](mailto:wpb4@outlook.com).

## March Flexible Reports

On Friday, all students will be sent home with a summary of their learning up to this point. It is not intended to be a formal written report card, but rather a shorter, more concise look at where our students are at, at this point in the year. As always, if you need some clarification, connect with your students' teachers.

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## Dates to Note

- March 9 Staff vs Student Bball
- March 10 Last day before Spring Break
- March 10 Flexible Reports home
- March 27 First day back after Spring Break
- April 7 Good Friday
- April 10 Easter Monday
- April 11 Panago Hot Lunch (PAC)
- April 19/20 Ringette Program – 10am-12pm
- April 20 BP Hot Lunch (PAC)
- April 21 ProD Day
- May 1-3 Festival du Livre (Book Fair)

## Library News

The next book fair is May 1-3. Festival du Livre is a French book fair being held in the library. Although primarily French books, there will be a small sampling of English books. Your students will bring home more information as we get closer to the date.

Please note that our library currently has over 700 books, overdue! Please do your best to look under beds and on bookshelves at home and return to Mme Jessica in the library.



## School Sports & Clubs

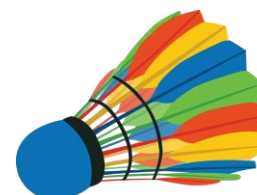
Our winter sports have wrapped up – Grade 4/5 and Grade 6/7 basketball teams had successful seasons with lots of improvement along the way.

We currently have a Dungeons and Dragons club running on Thursdays. Because of how the game is played, and the amount of supervision required, this club includes all Grades, but has been by invitation only.

Badminton is the next sport with a 4/5 and a 6/7 season running concurrently.



<b>SPORT/ACTIVITY</b>	<b>GRADES</b>	<b>PRACTICES</b>	<b>COACH(ES)</b>
<b>D &amp; D Club</b>	<b>4-7</b> <b>Invite</b>	<b>Thurs</b> <b>2:45 - 3:45</b>	<b>Ms. Gray</b>
<b>Badminton</b>	<b>4/5</b> <b>6/7</b>	<b>Tues 2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>Thurs 2:45 - 3:45</b>	<b>M. Luke</b> <b>Mme. Lindsay</b>



## Lost and Found

We collect a lot of clothing throughout the year through the lost and found and we do use it if students need a temporary change of clothes. That being said, it is piling up, so look for tables of clothing set up at the school after the break. Clothing that isn't claimed will be donated to local organizations.

### **Communication / Website / App**

Newsletters will be posted on our website [École Alberni \(sd70.bc.ca\)](http://École Alberni (sd70.bc.ca)) and can be accessed easily on mobile devices through the school App. You can find the link to downloading the school app on the lower left portion of our website. When opening the App – please go in as a “guest user” and select your school(s) you wish to receive notifications for (Alberni Elementary), and as items are added to the calendar and website, you’ll receive a notice update.



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Our PAC maintains a FB page (Alberni Elementary PAC), and school info is often posted there. We are working on updating the AES website ([PAC \(sd70.bc.ca\)](http://PAC (sd70.bc.ca))) with all the info provided about the PAC. You can always phone the school to speak directly to a staff member or can connect direct via email [albernipac@gmail.com](mailto:albernipac@gmail.com). The PAC is offering hot lunch ordering, monthly. Order online at <http://aespac.hotlunches.net> or see the office for order forms.

### **French Immersion Afterschool Homework Club**

Mme Léanne will be offering extra help after school to French Immersion students, starting Monday, Nov.7<sup>th</sup>.

**Monday & Wednesdays – Grades 4-7 - 2:35 – 3:35**

**Tuesday & Thursdays – Grades 1–3: 2:35 – 3:35**



Students are to meet at the office after school and will be dismissed from the main doors at 3:35.

Thank you.



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