



SANDHILLS NEWSLETTER

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School Mission: *Sandhills Elementary School is a safe, fun place where our minds and bodies grow.*
January 29, 2019 *Written by Students of Sandhills*

Professional Development Day No School Wednesday, January 30

On this day, teachers will be reviewing the supports and interventions for teaching students to read. In the afternoon, all first and second year teachers will also be receiving professional development from our district Supervisors of Learning Services personnel in High Level. There will be NO SCHOOL for students on that day. Regular classes will resume on Thursday, January 31.

CARE Bear Assembly - Friday, February 1

Parents are invited to join Sandhills staff and students at their monthly CARE Bear Assembly at 9:50 am. This month the 2K and 2B classes will be featured in our monthly literacy spotlight.



Student Progress Reports - Friday, February 1

Progress Reports are a one-page snapshot of your child's overall achievement to date. ECS T/T progress reports will be sent home **Thursday, January 31st**.

Parent-Teacher Interviews - February 6 & 7

Parents can book their Parent-Teacher interviews by calling the school office at (780) 928-3947. Appointments can be booked for Wednesday, February 6 from 5 - 8 pm and Thursday, February 7 from 4 - 7 pm.

School Closed for Annual Teachers' Convention February 11 - 15

Part of a teacher's professional responsibility is that he/she attends an annual convention to review new teaching strategies, curriculum and resources. It is also an opportunity for teachers to link with teachers outside the FVSD.

Schools will be closed February 11 and 12, which are designated as days off in lieu of parent/teacher interviews for staff. Wednesday, February 13 the school will be closed. Teachers in the Fort Vermilion School Division will attend the Northeast Teachers' Convention in Edmonton, February 14 and 15.

Family Day - February 18

Schools will be closed on Monday, February 18 for Family Day.
Regular classes resume for students on Tuesday, February 19.



Vulnerable Sector Check/Intervention Record Check

As per Fort Vermilion School Division policy, all parents attending a school field trip as well as when working alone with students must provide Sandhills with a clean Vulnerable Sector Check and a clean Intervention Record Check.

The Vulnerable Sector Check may be obtained at the Fort Vermilion RCMP Detachment and Intervention Record Check may be obtained at the High Level Children's Services office.

SANDHILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Notice of: ECS (Kindergarten) Program Registration for the 2019-2020 School Year

**Tuesday thru Friday, February 19-22, 2019
Sandhills School Office
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

Parents of children attending Kindergarten at Sandhills in the fall of 2019 are requested to register their child at the school office during the dates and times listed above.

As per Alberta Education regulations, to be eligible to register, students must be five (5) years old on or before December 31st of the year of enrollment.

To register your child, parents must bring the following 3 pieces of information:

- **Your child's Birth Certificate or Canadian Citizenship Papers**
- **Alberta Health Care Number**
- **Current Land Description:**
 - **For in-town residences please have your house # and street/avenue (e.g. 10202 - 94 Ave).**
 - **For out-of-town residences please have your legal land location (e.g. NW 15-105-19).**



We look forward to meeting you and your child.

SHES February Skating

As part of the Physical Education Program at Sandhills, we arrange for our **grade 1, 2, & 3** students to have the opportunity to go skating at the La Crete Arena. The second part of this year's program will take place **February 20 - March 1**. Your child's skating days are also listed on the February calendar.

Information that you should be aware of:

- Hockey **will not** be a part of the skating program. No sticks please.
- Students will be transported to the arena and back by school bus. They will be accompanied by an adult supervisor.
- As per regulations set out by the FVSD Transportation Supervisor, **skates must be placed in a cloth or synthetic bag in order to be transported on the bus. Plastic or paper bags are not sufficient for this purpose.**
- **All students will be required to wear a CSA approved hockey helmet when skating.** Unfortunately, bicycle helmets do not carry CSA approval. **For safety reasons, students will not be permitted on the ice wearing bicycle helmets.**
- Students may bring their own hockey helmet as long as the helmet has a CSA approval sticker, or alternately, wear an approved helmet provided by the school.
- As a preventative measure, **all** school helmets will be sprayed after each use with **R & CII**, a safe chemical compound that deters the transmission of head lice.
- Students are not allowed to wear boots on the ice.
- If your child does not own skates there are a limited number of skates and sizes available at the school. Your better option would be to try and find a pair that your child can borrow.

We welcome parent involvement in the skating program. Please indicate on your child's permission form or call the school office at (780)928-3947, if you would like to volunteer with tying of student skates.

Please pay attention to the scheduled times as the arena is only available during certain times throughout the week. Thank you and we are eagerly looking forward to skating.

SKATING SCHEDULE	Wednesday, February 20th	Friday, February 22nd	Monday, February 25th	Wednesday, February 25th	Friday, March 1st
9:05 – 9:55 am (Bus departs at 8:50 am for rink)	3C	3D	3H	2B	2P
9:55 – 10:45 am (Bus departs at 9:40 am)	1J	1B	1D	1H	1S
10:45 – 11:35 am (Bus departs at 10:30 am)	2K			2S	3W