



SIR JOHN FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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SCHOOL GOALS 2017-18

- 1. Social Emotional Learning** - To promote social emotional development by teaching students the necessary skills to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships and make responsible decisions.
- 2. Aboriginal Cultural Enhancement** - To increase knowledge, acceptance, empathy, awareness and appreciation of Indigenous histories, traditions, cultures and contributions among all students.



FRANKLIN SPORTS DAY

The annual fun-filled Franklin Sports Day was held on Friday, June 1st. Students came to school in their team colors, led by their Grade 7 Team Captains, and participated in cooperative games ran by Templeton students (many of them former Franklin students). Students were treated to a special lunch organized by the Grade 7 parents. The Grade 7 parents also ran a concession. We were able to use the proceeds of the Sports Day lunch and concession to cover some of the expenses of the Grade 7 school leaving ceremony. We would like to thank all parents who came out to cheer for the teams. Thank you to the Grade 7 School Leaving Parent Committee for their hardwork organizing the lunch and concession. And a big thank you to Mr. Orange for organizing the Sports Day, from running the Team meetings, training the Grade 7 team captains to lining the field.

FRANKLIN SPORTS

Our last organized sports were Track and Field. Students worked hard to fine tune various skills such as running, long jump, high jump and shot put. The final track meet was held on Thursday, June 7th at Swangard Stadium. There were 46 students attending this all day Track and Field final meet. We would like to thank all the volunteer parent drivers who drove the students to the final meet and other Track and Field meets. Thank you to M. Orange, Ms. Ritchie, Ms. Boyanton, Ms. Luchenski, Ms. Robinson, Ms. Balzarini, Ms. Ghavimi and Ms. Tufts for coaching and organizing our Track and Field practices.

POP CAN DROP



Franklin's first Pop Can Drop (in fact, the World's first!) was held on Friday, June 22. Over 40 young future engineers tried out the contraptions that they built at home to land the pop can without spilling the water. It was a fun event for everyone. Thank you to Mr. Burrus for sponsoring and acting as master of ceremonies for the event.

GRADE 7 FAREWELL



I would like to congratulate all the grade 7 students for their many accomplishments in their final year at Franklin. You will be missed! We hope that you remember your time here fondly. We are all very proud of each and every one of you. Come back and visit us!

Congratulations to the following students who are moving on to high school in September:

Sasha, Eva, Shane, Brandon, Korie, Kathy, Anita, Arlo, Emma, Amy, Erica, Daniel P, Alexandra, Daniel S, Marissa, Caitlin, Coen and Matthew.



GRADE 7 SCHOOL LEAVING CEREMONY

The Grade 7 School Leaving Ceremony was held on Monday, June 25th in the school gymnasium. It was a beautiful event that I'm sure left our students with many fond memories. The event would not have been possible without the hard work of the School Leaving Committee. I would like to acknowledge the following parents who are on the committee for the time that they put in to organize the school leaving celebration: Leanne, Cora, Lara, Vita, Vicky, Jodi, Gayle, Lilia and Beth. Thank you also to Mr. Orange who coordinated all School Leaving Committee meetings and made tremendous contributions to the ceremony. Thank you to all the teachers (current and past) and the Grade 7 parents and family members who attended the School Leaving Ceremony.

FAREWELL TO OUR STAFF

This is the time of the year when we must say farewell to some of the staff at Franklin. We are sad to see the following staff leaving Franklin this year: Mr. Barton (Indigenous Education Worker), Ms. Boyanton, Ms. Ghavimi, Ms. Luchenski, Ms. Tufts, Mr. Orange and Ms. Robinson.

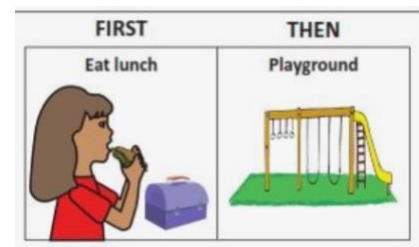
We are welcoming the following staff to Franklin in September:

Ms. Golinski, Ms. Ruus, Ms. Wreggit and Ms. Kallu who will return from maternity leave.

2018-19 SCHOOL CALENDAR Our next year's school calendar has been approved by the board. The calendar will detail all the school holidays, professional development days and early dismissal dates. This calendar will be with the email attachment with the June school newsletter.

EAT FIRST THEN PLAY LUNCH

Franklin staff have adopted the Eat First Then Play lunch starting September 2018. The reasoning for the change was discussed at length in the April school newsletter. A reminder to parents that starting September 2018, when classes are released at 12:10, students will eat lunch. Once they have finished they will be released for the balance of the time left in the lunch hour. Students will begin this new lunch routine on **Wednesday, September 5th** – the first full day of school.



NOTICE OF LATE RETURN

The first day of school will be Tuesday, September 4th. If your child won't be at school on the first day of school please let us know. A Notice of Late Return form has been attached in the email with the June newsletter. This form needs to be filled out if your child is away beyond the first week in September. Thank you for your help.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who received awards and scholarships this year:

Darrell Harper Award: Caitlin (Div. 1) Hsu Wardley Award: Daniel P (Div. 1); Hazel (Div. 2)
VanCity Scholarships: Emma (G. 7); Ella (G. 6); Ashlyn (Grade 5); Isabella (Grade 4)



ENJOY YOUR
Summer

The Franklin staff would like to wish you a great summer and we are looking forward to seeing you in September. To the students who will start a new school in September, we wish you all the best at your new schools. We hope you have enjoyed your time at Franklin. We would also like to say goodbye to our staff who are leaving and wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.

I wish everyone a safe and fun summer!



Wednesday, June 27 th	Reports go home with students
Thursday, June 28 th	Last full day of pupil attendance
Friday, June 29 th	Admin Day (school opens for staff)
Tuesday, September 4 th	First day of school for students (Grade 1 to 7)
Wednesday, September 5 th	First day of school for Kindergarten students
Wednesday, September 19 th	PAC meeting @ 7:00 pm in the staff room
Friday, September 21 st	Pro-D day (no school for students)

ALLERGY POLICY



这是重要的信息，请让人们为您翻译

Franklin School is allergy-aware! Please note that parents are asked to avoid sending foods containing **nut or peanut products** to school with their children due to severe allergies to these particular foods.

As peanut/nut butter tends to stick to surfaces, please wash your child's hands if you give them these foods for breakfast before school.

If there are questions or concerns, please contact Ms. McDonnell for further information. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.