

FIRESIDE FOCUS



Fireside Focus – April 18

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Upcoming Dates

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- Friday, April 18 to Sunday, April 27 – Spring Break

- Monday, April 28 – Classes Resume
- Monday, April 28 – Federal Election Day - Fireside School will be a Polling Station
- Wednesday, May 7 – Grade 2 & 3 Spring Concert (5:00 pm, doors open at 4:40)
- Wednesday, May 7 – School Council (6:30 pm) and Friends of Fireside (7:30 pm) Meetings
- Thursday, May 8 – Kindergarten Field Trip to Bow Valley High School
- Friday, May 9 – Grade 8 Field Trip to SLS Center
- Wednesday, May 14 – Healthy Hunger - Mucho Burrito

From the Admin Desk

Hello Fireside Friends and Families,

Tuesday this week brought both some smiles and some tears. We were entertained by some adorable performances by our Kinders & Grade 1s in the first half of our *Go Fish!* Spring Concert. The kids did a wonderful job under the direction of their teachers, Mr. Chung and Mr. Peterson. Unfortunately, the Grade 2 & 3 concert did not fare so well. With an unexplained power loss in the building, the show could not go on, much to the disappointment of some eager kids. Not all is lost, of course. We'll see the grade 2 & 3s back on stage on May 7th.

Our spirit week was a hit with mismatched clothes, tourist garb, Western wear, and decade themes. We also had a great SOAR assembly with another batch of fantastic Fireside citizens recognized for their hard work and amazing character (see photos below). And naturally, with Spring Break right around the corner, there was plenty of energy buzzing, with some spring celebrations closing out the week. All in all, it was a great 4 days at Fireside.



1 - Grade Ones in "Go Fish"

It's definitely worth noting now that the day we get back to school is the same day as the Federal Election. Students will not be able to come in the front door or enter the learning commons and gym. Entry and exit instructions for the grades that usually come in the front are updated below. Please check them if you have a Kinder, Grade 1, Grade 6, or Grade 7 student.

We'd like to wish all our kids a great Spring Break and all the families who will get to enjoy some extra family time together a great vacation. We'd also like to extend a Happy Easter to everyone who observes it. May your bunnies be chocolatey and your ham delicious.

Enjoy Spring Break!

Dave Banderk (Principal)

Kirsty Reade (Assistant Principal, K-4)

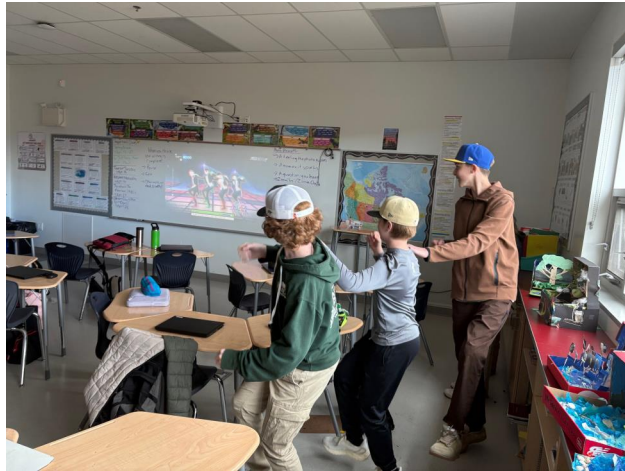
Jason Ness (Assistant Principal, 5-8)



2 - Recess Fun!



3 - Grade 7s on a Just Dance body break.



4 - The magic of K-8...grade 8's joined some grade 2's and played ball together while everyone was outside enjoying the weather at the end of the day!

Updated: Election Day Door Changes

On Monday April 28th, the gym at Fireside School will be acting as a polling station for the Federal Election. This will impact our normal operating procedures for the day. Please see below for a summary of the changes regarding students entering and exiting the building, if your child's class is not on the list below, they are to use their normal entrance and exit. We will have additional staff outside to help students and parents.

- Kindergarten: Enter and exit through the north doors, adjacent to the bus layaway (Fireside Way) across from Mr. Shaun's room. Please note it will be more busy and crowded with the number of students coming in through those doors, and there is limited space compared to the front of the building.
- Students in Mrs. Hanson's and Ms. Simpson's classes: Enter and exit through the north doors, adjacent to the bus layaway (Fireside Way) across from Mr. Shaun's room.
- Grade 1 Bussing Students: Enter through the doors adjacent the "Kiss and Go." These are the doors that open into the portables that were installed in November.
- Grade 6 Students: Enter and exit through the compound doors.

We kindly ask for your patience and understanding as we navigate the Federal Elections taking place at Fireside.

Volunteer Tea

We cannot thank our volunteers enough! So many parents and family members have come into our school, joined us on field trips, coached, or have worked behind the scenes to ensure that our students have exceptional experiences in their learning journey.

Please join us for an enchanting get together, so staff and students can celebrate you! Please see the attached poster with all the details. Please [RSVP](#) by May 14th. We cannot wait to see you!



Reminder: Friends of Fireside

NEW GREENHOUSE PROJECT FOR FIRESIDE SCHOOL

- We are thrilled to announce our upcoming Friends of Fireside Casino, another important fundraiser in support of the greenhouse project—and we desperately need your help!
- We are seeking **volunteers** for casino shifts on **June 6th and June 7th**. If you're able to lend a hand, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A44A5AC28A0FDC16-55192814-casino#>
- We need all the help we can get to ensure our spot at the casino! We currently do not have enough volunteers! It's super easy and fun!! Thanks in advance!



Friends of Fireside School Society is ready to roll out our next fundraiser!

🕯️ Milk Jar Candle Fundraiser – Because Your House Should Smell Like Serenity, Not Spilled Juice & Sour Milk! 🕯️

Parents, let's face it—your home has *a scent*. And not the fancy kind. We're talking mystery sock, forgotten lunchbox, and that one smell you just can't locate. 🤔👉

Lucky for you, Milk Jar Candles are here to save the day! With scents that scream “clean and put-together” (even if you're running on coffee and chaos), your house can finally smell like a spa instead of a snack cupboard explosion.

🔥 Buy one, support our fundraiser, and treat yourself to a home that smells like calm... even if life is anything but.

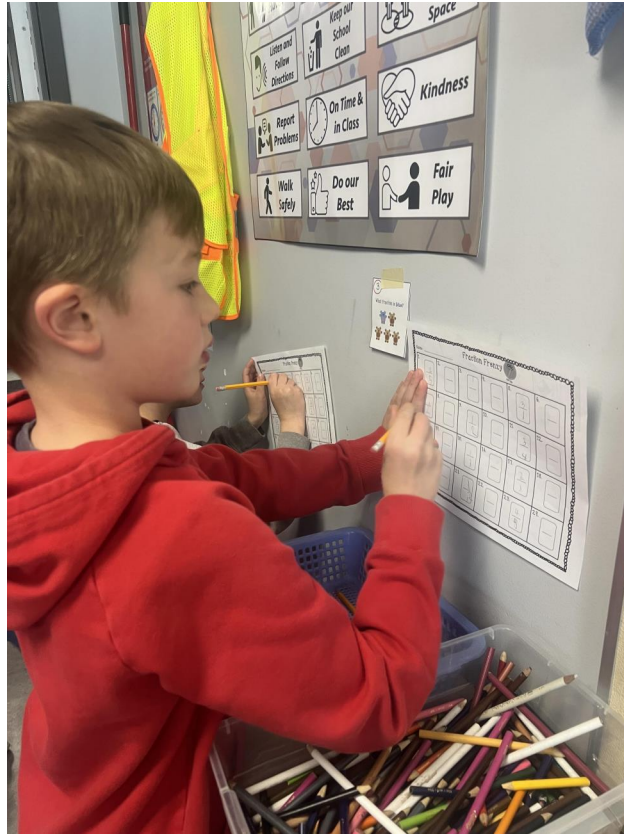
📣 Order now before your kid "accidentally" microwaves something they shouldn't! 😬

<https://friendsoffireside.shopmyfundraising.com/>

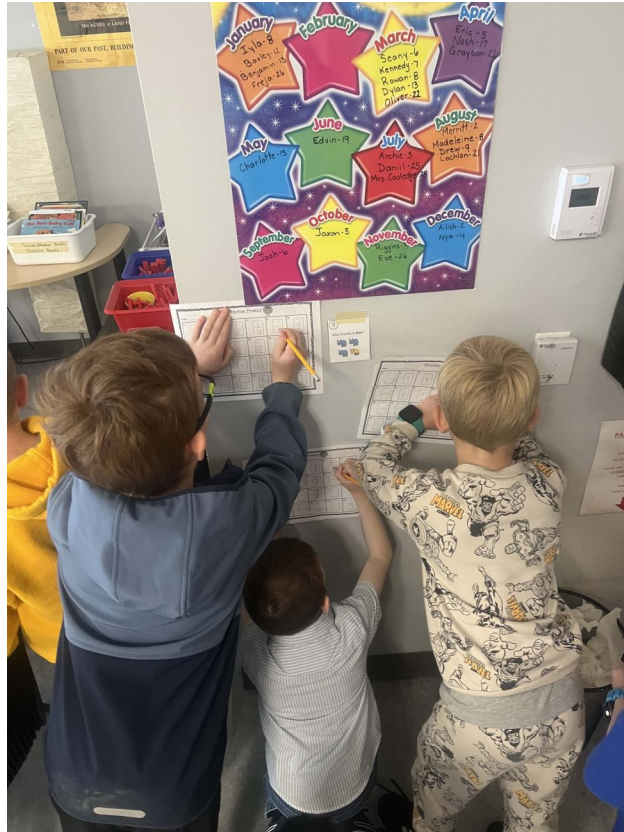


Reminder: Volunteer Opportunities

- **WE ARE ALMOST THERE - - CASINO WORKERS STILL NEEDED!** Friends of Fireside are seeking volunteers for casino shifts on June 6th and June 7th. If you're able to lend a hand, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A44A5AC28A0FDC16-55192814-casino#>



5 - Grade 2 Fraction Scoot.





6 - Tourist Twins!



7 - Solar car assembly



8 - Grade 6 Field Trip to Glenbow Ranch PP





9 - Grade 8s at Telus Spark





10 - SOAR Assembly Fun!



11 - This month's recipients





12 - The portable "hole" is starting to take shape!



13 - Go Fish fun!



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