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Valley View Family Newsletter February 21st, 2025

Dear Valley View Families,

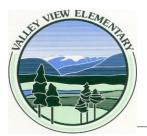
We have big news to share! Congratulations to Yolanda Lehton who will be appointed as Acting Principal of Airport Elementary (April 1, 2025-Juy 31, 2025).

Lisa Scheck (retired SD 71 Principal) will be appointed as Acting Vice Principal of Valley View Elementary for the remainder of the year. We thank Yolanda for her contributions to Valley View this past year and wish her well in her new endeavour.

Here are a few items for your consideration for the next two weeks:

Valley View Kindness week

Mon, Feb 24	"Get Real" presentations for grades 4-7 Themes: inclusivity and
	SOGI
	Grade 6 boys play at Robb Road for basketball jamboree
Tue, Feb 25	PAC meeting 6:30 library
	Salad bar for all
	Deadling to order lat lunch today
	Deadline to order Hot lunch today
Wed, Feb 26	Chess club
	Pink shirt day - Anti-bullying day! Pancakes for all classes in
	MPR.
	Deadline to order hot lunch
	Cr. 7 Cirle' healethall regionale 12:00 E:00 Aspen Dark School
	Gr 7 Girls' basketball regionals 12:00 – 5:00 – Aspen Park School
Thurs, Feb 27	Soup & bun for all
	Gr 7 Boys' basketball regionals 12:00 – 5:00 – Brooklyn School
Fri, Feb 28	Hotlunch
	Leadership club MPR – 11:45



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Mon, Mar 3	
Tue, Mar 4	Salad bar for all
	District Spelling Bee at Brooklyn School for our top 3 finalists
Wed, Mar 5	Chess club
Thurs, Mar 6	Soup & bun for all
Fri, Mar 7	Hotlunch
	Leadership club MPR – 11:45

School news:

Spelling bee: Congratulations to Sukey, Emma and Madison for being our top three finalists today at the Valley View Spelling Bee! We wish them well as they represent our school at the district Spelling Bee on March 4th at Brooklyn School.



School survey: We'd like to hear from you! Below is a link to the Ministry of Education and Child Care annual Parent Satisfaction Survey. Please take approximately 5-10



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minutes to complete the survey as this is an opportunity for you to share your thoughts and provide your voice in future decision making at the school level. Results are shared directly to the school.

https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access_Parent.asp

District: 71 Comox Valley

School: Valley View Elementary

Thank you for you time and consideration.



Books for Brains - We are collaborating with this wonderful local bookstore to support our school library through the purchase of books that have been chosen by our Teacher Librarian. You can call Books for Brains, stop in or check them out online to sponsor a book for our library. We are hoping to fill our whole wish list so check out the list and sponsor a book today. Thank you!



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Upcoming dates:

District Spelling bee finals – March 4th

Spring concert – March 12th : afternoon show 1:00pm and an evening show at 6:30pm (students arrive at 6:00pm and go to their classrooms)

Jump Rope for heart - March 13th

Crazy sock day – World Down Syndrome day – March 14th & last day before spring break!!

PAC Fundraiser: Paper order forms will be sent home this week.





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Community News:

One hour video presentation:

This is a great webinar on technology use that some families may find useful. <u>http://keltymentalhealth.ca/r/navigating-technology-use-across-adolescence-supporting-healthy-development-well-being</u>

Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities

Family sessions to support families and caregivers in navigating the digital world. This session covers all things digital, from how to be a good digital citizen, the criminal consequences of cyberbullying, and how to report and receive support in cases of sexting/sextortion.

Some of the most prominent concerns currently surrounding use of social media platforms, smartphones, and artificial intelligence will be discussed.

Remote sessions (60 minutes long) Feb 26, March 12, April 8, May 7. Click on the link for information and to register. <u>https://pages.saferschoolstogether.com/erase-family-session</u>

Golf for All at Crown Isle

Spring is just around the corner and the golf course will soon be calling.... Crown Isle Golf Resort & Community is excited to be hosting Valley View Elementary students again in May this year.

Are you interested in playing the lifelong game of sport? Are you the next Nelly Korda or Lydia Ko? What about Rory McIlroy or Xander Schauffele? Let's get you started at Crown Isle. Crown Isle's Junior Development Programs have options to begin as early as age 6. So, whether you are in Grade 1 or Grade 7, we have something for everyone. Our golf lessons are on Wednesday Nights starting in April. If you are just looking to try golf with no strings attached, we also have Junior Night at the Park on Monday Nights beginning May 26th. We have lessons and golf camps for all ages and skill levels.

For more information check us out at <u>www.crownisle.com</u> or send Adrien Wright an email <u>awright@crownisle.ca</u>



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Grade 6-7 Boys Basketball Camp Fundraiser

The Highland Boys Basketball team is hosting a 3-session fundraiser camp for Grades 6 and 7 boys. Fridays, 3:30 – 5:00, Feb. 21, 28 and Mar 7, cost for all three sessions is \$45. Email Becky Sulek to register: <u>Becky.Sulek@sd71.bc.ca</u> Space is limited to create a good player-coach ratio.





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Wishing you a pleasant (and dry) weekend,

Michelle Mowbray - Principal – Valley View Elementary

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