

# FOREST GREEN SCHOOL

# **Dragon's Dish**

Updates from the Forest

### November 17, 2024

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
November 18	November 19	November 20	November 21	November 22
Coding Club @ Lunch Recess Assembly @ 2:00 Sacred Teaching: Love	Basketball (Gr 5-6)  @ lunch recess in the gym	Choir (Gr 3-6) @ Lunch recess	Handbells (4-6) @ lunch recess  Hot Lunch (if ordered)  Family Connection Event: Numeracy Games @ 2:00	Jersey Day Floor Hockey (Gr 3-4) @ Lunch recess Christmas Cast Practice @ lunch recess

Dear Forest Green Families,

#### Forest Green School: Kindness in Action!

We're thrilled to announce that Forest Green School is working toward becoming a Certified Kindness School through the Random Acts of Kindness Foundation! This initiative focuses on embedding kindness as a foundational element in our school culture. By incorporating kindness-themed lessons, school-wide challenges, and daily acts of compassion, we aim to nurture an environment where kindness becomes the norm. Through this program, students and staff will engage in meaningful activities that build empathy, strengthen relationships, and celebrate the positive impact of being kind in our school and community. Stay tuned for updates on our journey!

Learn more about the Random Acts of Kindness Foundation here.

### **Bullying Awareness Week**

This week is Alberta's Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week, a province-wide initiative dedicated to fostering safe and respectful learning environments. At Forest Green School, students will engage in discussions and activities to help them understand what bullying is, recognize its different forms, and learn strategies to address it effectively. To support learning at home, we encourage you to watch this short, kid-friendly <u>video</u> from SEL Sketches that explains bullying in a way elementary students can understand

Parents and guardians play a critical role in reinforcing these lessons at home. We encourage you to explore this helpful resource: What Adults Can Do to Prevent and Stop Bullying.

Together, we can empower our students to stand against bullying and create a culture of kindness and inclusion.



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### **Seven Sacred Teaching for November & December**

Throughout November and December, Forest Green School will focus on the Sacred Teaching of Love, which teaches us to show kindness, compassion, and care for others. Love is about fostering meaningful relationships, valuing one another, and treating everyone with respect and dignity.

Staff will be on the lookout for students who exemplify this teaching in their daily interactions. When students are "caught" demonstrating acts of love—whether through kindness, helpfulness, or empathy—they will have their names entered into a draw for a set of Oil Kings tickets. Let's celebrate and encourage our students as they embody this important Sacred Teaching!

### Join us for our Family Connection Afternoon Event: Numeracy Games

We're excited to invite you to our upcoming **Family Connection Event** at Forest Green School! These events are a wonderful opportunity for families to visit the school, gain insight into what learning looks like in literacy and numeracy, and, most importantly, have some fun together.

This time, we'll be diving into math! Come play math games with your child and maybe even a few of their friends. The event will start at **2:00 pm**, and we can't wait to see you there! It's a great chance to connect, support your child's learning, and enjoy a fun-filled, interactive experience.

### Jersey Day - Friday, November 22nd

Get ready to show off your team spirit! On Friday, November 22nd, we're celebrating Jersey Day. Wear your favorite jersey—whether it's for a sports team, a band, or any other organization you love! It's a fun way to express your interests, support your team, and build school spirit. We look forward to seeing everyone in their jerseys and celebrating together!

#### Attendance Matters - Let's Finish 2024 Strong!

As we approach the holiday season, we often see a drop in student attendance between now and Christmas Break. This time of year can be busy, but strong attendance is crucial for students to stay on track with their learning. Consistent attendance helps students build academic momentum, strengthens their understanding of key concepts, and fosters a sense of routine and responsibility.

Let's work together to limit the amount of school missed during these weeks. Students who maintain **80% attendance or better** will have their name entered into a draw for Oil Kings tickets, so there's an extra incentive to stay engaged and present! Together, we can support our students in finishing 2024 strong and setting them up for success.

#### **Parent Handbook**

Please click here to view our Parent Handbook for the 2024/2025 School Year.





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We encourage you to follow us on social media as we celebrate our amazing school community. You can find us on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> and <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a>. Additionally, please watch the <a href="announcements">announcements</a> <a href="page">page</a> on our <a href="website">website</a>!

We are looking forward to caring, sharing, and learning together! As always, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school with any questions or concerns that you may have at either 780-963-7366 or <a href="mailto:forestgreen@psd.ca">forestgreen@psd.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

Leah and Miranda

(Principal and Assistant Principal)







