



# FOREST GREEN SCHOOL

## Dragon's Dish

### Updates from the Forest

Don't forget to look for the small dragon! Be the first to email [fgsfundraising@gmail.com](mailto:fgsfundraising@gmail.com) with the correct location and win a free lunch credit for your child!

April 27, 2025

Monday April 28	Tuesday April 29	Wednesday April 30	Thursday May 1	Friday May 2
Coding Club @ Lunch Recess  Move and Groove: Gr 3 Gymnastics	Book Fair (10-4)  Intramurals: Soccer (Gr 5-6) @ Lunch recess  Volunteer Tea: 1-2 PM in the Community Classroom	Book Fair (10-4)  Choir Practice (Gr 3-6) @ Lunch recess	Book Fair (10-4)  Handbell Practice (Gr 4-6) @ Lunch recess	Stay Safe! Program (Grade 5's)  Badminton (Gr 3-4) @ lunch recess in the gym

Dear Forest Green Families,

### The Usiskin Award: Honouring Creativity and Leadership

We are proud to offer the annual Usiskin Award to Forest Green students who demonstrate a passion for the arts. This award honours the memory of Mr. Norm Usiskin, a beloved teacher at our school who passed away in 2014. During his time at Forest Green, Mr. Usiskin shared his love of drama and music in many inspiring and creative ways.

In his memory, the Usiskin family established an endowment fund to help students explore their own creativity. The award is intended to support students who show extracurricular leadership and resiliency, with a preference for those who demonstrate an aptitude in music, drama, and/or theatre arts.

Applications are now open for students who would like to be considered for this year's award. For an application form or more information about the criteria, please contact [Miss Heward](#) or [Ms. Jenkins](#).

### Reporting Absences

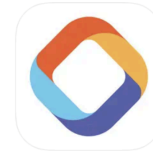
The school division has moved to SafeArrival, an absence management system that improves student safety and makes it easy for you to let the school know about your child's absence.

You are asked to report your child's absence in advance whenever possible, here is one convenient way to do so:



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- Get the SM Home app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (search for SM Home or visit <https://home.schoolmessenger.ca/> and using one of the linked app download buttons)



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- Tap Sign Up to create your account (If you previously used the blue SMap you can sign in with the same credentials.)
- If signing up for the first time there will be an email verification step. Please use your email address that is already on file with the school.
- Select Attendance from the menu, and then select Report an Absence.

## Stay Safe Program

Our Grade 5 students are participating in the Red Cross Stay Safe Program, which teaches important skills for staying safe when home alone, handling emergencies, and making responsible decisions. If you want your grade 5 child to participate and have not yet signed and returned the permission form, please do so and send it to school as soon as possible. Thank you for your support

## Volunteer Appreciation Week

We are celebrating Volunteer Appreciation Week from April 29 to May 2! Thank you to all of our incredible volunteers for the time, energy, and heart you share with our students and school community. To show our appreciation, we are hosting a Volunteer Tea on April 29 from 1:00–2:00 p.m. in the Community Classroom. If you received an invitation, please be sure to RSVP! We look forward to celebrating with you.

## Principal and Assistant Principal Day

Thursday is Principal and Assistant Principal Day. We feel truly privileged to serve a school community where staff are dedicated, parents are supportive, and students make us smile and laugh every day. Together, everyone nurtures our number one rule: just be kind.

## Parent Handbook

Please click [here](#) to view our Parent Handbook for the 2024/2025 School Year.

We encourage you to follow us on social media as we celebrate our amazing school community. You can find us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

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 [forestgreen@psd.ca](mailto:forestgreen@psd.ca).



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Sincerely,

Leah and Miranda  
(Principal and Assistant Principal)

