



Administrator's Message



What a great start to the year! Thank you to all the families who joined us for the BBQ. It was wonderful to connect with you and see so many students excited about their classes and the year ahead.

Last week brought even more excitement, with the elementary program's first Activity Day and the first cross-country race of the season at Marshall Field! Congratulations to all of the vLearn students for your positive attitude and great effort.

There is lots more to look forward to in the weeks ahead. Be sure to mark your calendars with the upcoming events below so you don't miss any of the great learning opportunities and activities planned.

Warm regards,

Corinne and Kristin

GENERAL INFORMATION

Truth and Reconciliation

As we approach September 30, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, we invite families to join us in reflecting, learning, and honouring the experiences of Indigenous peoples, particularly the Syilx/Okanagan people, on whose traditional territory we live, learn, and grow.

This is a time to honour residential school survivors, their families, and communities, and to consider how each of us can contribute to reconciliation through meaningful learning and action.

At our school, we remain committed to making space for Indigenous perspectives, Syilx language and history, and opportunities to learn together with respect and care.

We encourage families to continue this learning at home by visiting syilx.org.

Important Dates:

- September 29: Orange Shirt Day
- September 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed)
- October 6: FSA for Grade 4 & 7
- October 7: vLearn PAC meeting and Elementary Terry Fox Run and Activity Day; Cross-country Run at DND
- October 12: Thanksgiving (School Closed)
- October 13: FSA for Grade 4 & 7
- October 14: Elementary Field Trip to Water Reclamation Centre
- October 15: Earthquake Drill
- October 21: Elementary Activity
- October 23: Non-Instructional Day
- October 27: FSA for Grade 4 & 7
- October 28: Vision screening for K, Gr. 3 & Gr. 6
- October 28: Lockdown Drill
- October 31: Halloween

School Calendar

See an overview of this year's school calendar on the [district website](#).

Volunteering with vLearn

We love and appreciate parent volunteers! Any new volunteers must have a Criminal Record Check on file - this includes parents that wish to volunteer for activity days. Please see [HERE](#) for instructions on how to complete the process. If you already have a criminal record check on file with us, we will let you know if it is expiring.

ELEMENTARY

Allergy Reminders & Medical Alert Updates

We are a “nut aware” school, please avoid including nuts and nut products, in your child’s lunches. We are also required to maintain a fragrance-free environment. Please avoid using fragrances. If your child has a medical alert, please ensure that you update the appropriate forms for planning purposes.

Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA)

Teachers will be reaching out to families September 9–11 to schedule Student Learning Plan meetings. If you need anything before your meeting, please do not hesitate to reach out!

Vision Screenings

The Lions Club is offering complimentary vision screenings for all Kindergarten, Grade 3 and Grade 6 students. vLearn is scheduled to join the screening process at Ellison elementary at 9:00am on Wednesday, October 28th. The parent letter will be emailed to K, 3 & 6 families.

Cross Country Race– October 7

Our last Cross Country Race will be Wednesday, October 7 at the DND fields. We are looking for 3–4 parent volunteers to help marshall this race. If you’d like to volunteer please contact kbeeby@sd22.bc.ca

MIDDLE YEARS & SECONDARY

Graduation Literacy and Numeracy Assessments

The graduation program requires students to successfully complete a Numeracy assessment in Grade 10 and a Literacy assessment in Grades 10 and 12. The graduation assessments are not tied to a specific course nor do they earn “credits” towards graduation. There are 4 examination periods per school year, with the first being in October. If you have a student in Grades 10 – 12 that needs to write these assessments, please look for an invitation next week to book your assessment date/time or you can go directly to the Bookings page [HERE](#).



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OUR PAC NEWSLETTER

VLEARN PAC MEETING



WE LOOK FORWARD TO
SEEING YOU THERE!

DETAILS:

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7th 2026!!

LOCATION: FULTON HIGHSCHOOL IN THE "ICE PALACE"

(Main doors by reception office, turn to your right in the glass block room)

TIME: 9:45 am - 11:30 am. (9:45 am - 10:00 am, open group discussion for vLearn families.)

All vLearn parents/caregivers (K through 12) are welcome and are encouraged to attend! This gives everyone the opportunity to share ideas, concerns, and a great opportunity to connect with other families!



THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO PLANNED BY THE PAC!!

- T-SHIRT CONTEST.
- WINTER HAMPER.
- ALAN BROOKS NATURE CENTER.
- STAFF APPRECIATION
- END OF YEAR CELEBRATION

AND MUCH MORE!!

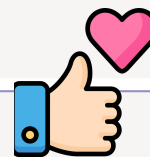
WHAT IS PAC AND WHAT DO WE DO?

The School Act gives parents the right, through the Parent Advisory Councils (PACs), to provide feedback in their school.

We strive to work together to enrich our children's education and be a support to our school's staff! The PAC is made up of ALL the Parents/Guardians of students in vLearn. The Executives of the PAC are voted in at our AGM every year, it is our job that the voices of the parents/caregivers/students are heard!

- We insure this is done by holding General Meetings 4 times a year including our AGM at the end of the school year. We encourage all parent's/caregivers to attend so your ideas, concerns or questions are brought forth.
- We work with our teachers and admin to support them wherever we can. This includes purchasing resources and contributing to special events, as well as organizing an annual staff appreciation event.
- We also plan Extra Curricular Activities that give students the opportunity to have peer interaction, additional learning experiences and to support our community. Alan Brooks nature center, sailing lessons, theatre workshops, swimming lessons, creative logo's for t-shirt contests, etc...

This is done all throughout the year, supported and funded by the PAC!



2026 T-SHIRT CONTEST!!

Your t-shirt logo design must:

- be circular
- include the word 'vLearn'
- be school appropriate
- be student designed
- be created for this contest

*ALL ENTRIES ARE DUE NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 14TH

Link for form: [Here](#)

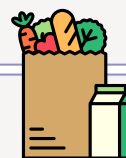


MAKING CONNECTIONS!

*Follow along for fun activities, opportunities and important reminder, linked here: [Instagram!](#)

*If Facebook is the place you prefer to be, find us here: [Facebook!](#)

*An informal vLearn family chat group has been set up by a group of vLearn parents. This is intended to be a place to share ideas, ask questions, organize meet-ups, and anything else you'd like it to be. The group is on Signal and can be found here: [Here](#).



WAYS TO SUPPORT VLEARN PAC!

*All you have to do is collect your receipts from **Nature's Fare**, and **Butcher Boys**, bring them to the scheduled PAC meetings and hand them to one of the Executive PAC members or you can place them into the receipt box located by the administration desk at Fulton! The funds raised by the collection of receipts are used to support students, families, the school, and extra-curricular activities.

Another way to support our vLearn Pac and look great doing it! All you have to do is use this LINK: [Homeschooling](#) and it will direct you to the **Okanagan Gift Co.** and choose your design. \$6.00 for every T-shirt/sweatshirt purchased goes towards the vLearn activities planned and organized by PAC!