



BRENTWOOD SCHOOL NEWS

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ÍY SƆÁĆEL, Brentwood families,

Welcome back to school. Term Two has begun with some winter weather and a rare snow day! Thanks for sending kiddos dressed for the weather - cold, snow, wind or rain as we try to go outside for fresh air and movement every day. We welcome 6 new students and their families to our school.

This month, our school focus is building perseverance and learning some strategies to have a growth mindset. At our whole school assembly and in the classrooms, students are learning about positive self-talk and how to use phrases to help change their mindset when things seem tough. Some examples include:

"Let me try a different way" instead of "I give up"
"Learning takes time" instead of "This is too hard"
"Mistakes are part of learning" instead of "I failed"

If parents/guardians have a moment to complete a quick [survey](#) (one for each child) to share their observations of their child(ren)'s perseverance, we would greatly appreciate it.

With gratitude, HÍSWKE,

Ms. Anita Ko and Mrs. Krista Warren

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Vice-Principal

Here are some highlights around the school...

Winter Concert: Fantastic student performances and great family turn out!

Swim Club: We have 33 swimmers practicing each Monday at Panorama. Thanks to Kaitlin, Mrs. Nightingale, Mrs. Shaw, and Ms. Ko for coaching.

Basketball: Grade 4/5 sign up with Mrs. Christie and Mrs. Shaw. Practices begin next week Monday and Wednesdays at lunch.

Board games: K-3 Friday lunch hour. Thanks Mrs. Blackie for planning this fun activity.

Clay Club: Thanks Mrs Brown for her planning and sponsoring of this great opportunity. Those interested are put into a lottery for participation. Currently the grade 5 participants are learning to make a mug.

Winter wonderland: Lots of fun with the snow this week.



INFORMATION ITEMS:

<p>★ LITERACY WEEK</p> <p>Jan 22-26</p>	<p>Throughout the week, classes will be participating in buddy reading, flashlight reading, reading bingo and creative bookmarks. The week will be celebrated by Dressing as your favorite book character or eagle shirt on FRIDAY JAN 26</p>
<p>★ SD 63 LITERACY PLAN SURVEY</p>	<p>The Saanich School District is asking for your thoughts to inform the creation of a district-wide literacy plan. We value your participation. Please click this link to begin a short survey.</p>
<p>★ 2024-25 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION</p>	<p>Kindergarten Registration at Brentwood (in person)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Jan 30 Kindergarten registration 3:30 · Jan 31 Kindergarten registration 12:30-2:30 · Feb 1 Kindergarten registration 7:30- 9:30

★ DATES TO
ADD TO
YOUR
CALENDAR

Visit the website:
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Jan 22	Eagle Convocation- Wear Eagle Shirts
Jan 25	Rescheduled fun lunch
Jan 26	Dress as your favorite book character or eagle shirt
Jan30, 31, Feb1	Kindergarten registration
Jan 30	PAC meeting - 7 pm all parents welcome
Feb 14	Fun lunch
Feb 16	Non- instructional day - no school in session
Feb 19	Stat holiday -no school in session
March 2	Parent Community Social
March 13	Fun lunch
March 18-29	Spring break

BRENTWOOD PAC

Fun lunch originally Jan 17 (snow day) will be reschedule the following week WED Jan 25

Parent Community Social March 2 - Mark your calendars and book your babysitters- more details to come.

★ **On demand parenting workshops**

Click on the QR code or follow this [link \(http://bit.ly/3RThyPD\)](http://bit.ly/3RThyPD)

to access the video recordings and other resources.

Info sessions/workshops for Families

The Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils of Saanich (COPACS) is excited to share a series of on-demand parenting workshops for struggling students on a range of topics including social emotional wellbeing, specific learning disabilities and supporting neurodivergent students.

There are 24 sessions recorded as well as a number of other resources on topics including: helping students with [reading](#), [writing](#), [school avoidance and refusal](#), [structuring homework time for success](#), [what to do when mistakes overwhelm neurodivergent kids](#), [supporting students with ADHD or autism in school](#), [what really motivates kids](#) and many more.

Please share widely - these resources have been financially supported by parent advisory councils across our district and are meant for everyone. Share your thoughts on favorite passages, take-aways or tools with other families [here](#).