

## **Strawberry Vale Happenings for February 26<sup>th</sup> to March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

### **Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**

- Learn Not To Burn program for all grade 1 students
- Ukulele Unlimited group away in morning

### **Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**

- Skating field trip for Divisions 4 and 13
- Run Club at lunch break for Kindergarten to Grade 5 students
- Swim club 3:15 at Commonwealth



### **Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**

- Basketball Jamboree for basketball team today 12:45-3:00 pm at Spectrum Secondary
- Wear a **PINK SHIRT** today in support of Anti-Bullying

### **Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**

- Fun in the gym today with **P.I.S.E** (Pacific Institute of Sports Excellence) for grades 3, 4 and 5 (8:40 to 11:40am)
- The White Hatter Internet Safety/Social Media and Digital Literacy Workshops for Gr 4/5 Students & Parents Thursday, March 1, 2018 (see below for details)

### **Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- Hat Day - wear your favourite hat to school today
- Fun lunch (Thrifty's food truck) for those who pre-ordered and paid.

# **The White Hatter**

## **Internet Safety/Social Media and Digital Literacy**

### **Workshops for Gr 4/5 Students & Parents**

#### **Thursday, March 1, 2018**

Is internet safety a topic that is on your mind? Do you know how to make sure your children are safe while on the internet?

Northridge is bringing an expert on the topic to speak to all grade 4 & 5 students and their parents for two separate workshops.

“The White Hatter” is a local family run company operating since 1993 in Victoria. They have established a reputation for providing internet and social media safety, digital literacy to schools all over Victoria and Internationally.

**The Grade 4/5 student workshop will be held during the day on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> from**

**8:50 - 10:20 at Strawberry Vale**

The focus will be helping students to understand the power of digital technology and mobile communications and to be aware of the unintended consequences of high risk online behaviour. Please go to [www.thewhitehatter.ca/internet-safety-elementary-school](http://www.thewhitehatter.ca/internet-safety-elementary-school) for more details.

**The Parent Workshop will be held in the evening on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:30-8:30 pm at Northridge Elementary**

This workshop will provide information needed to help keep students safer, increase their privacy and protect their online digital footprint.

Some of the topics covered will be:

- The four step process to Internet safety that all parents should know
- Hardware/Software monitoring/protection issues
- What are Chat Rooms, Instant Messaging, and SMS/MMS texting and how to stay safe while using them
- Emotional, psychological and physical challenges surrounding on-line addictions to pornography, gaming and gambling
- Cell phone/ Smart Phone and Web Cam safety
- The good and bad of Social Networks such as Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, Instagram, etc.

Please go to [www.thewhitehatter.ca/internet-safety-parents](http://www.thewhitehatter.ca/internet-safety-parents) for more details.

**REGISTER for this FREE! parent workshop at:**

**<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-white-hatter-internet-safety-for-parents-of-elementary-students-tickets-43152022862>**

**Contact:** Carol Tickner [ctickner@shaw.ca](mailto:ctickner@shaw.ca)

**Sponsors:** VCPAC, Northridge PAC and Strawberry Vale PAC

## **Music Updates:**

**Ukuleles Unlimited:** The School District supports a major bi-annual concert that celebrates ukuleles and music education. Strawberry Vale has been invited to send approximately 40 students to perform in massed numbers and their own pieces. Other schools, programs, and a special guest performer will also take part in the event. Approximately 500 students will participate overall. Our day and evening is Monday, February 26.

Strawberry Vale currently has approximately 140 students learning the ukulele in grades 3–5. In order to facilitate bringing students in a fair manner, a draw has been done from those students in grade 4 and 5 (grade 3's will have an opportunity two years down the road) and has included students in each class that has grade 4 or 5 students. Students that were drawn will have a letter arriving home today.

While I wish that I could arrange to take each student, it's simply not a possibility. Thanks for your understanding and support.



**The Aristocats!** We are in full swing of rehearsals now and the show is beginning to take shape.

All the best,  
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## **Library Updates:**

### **Scholastic Book Fair results:**

Thank you Lisa and parent volunteers for another successful book fair!

Here is the summary:

Total Sales: \$2,624.95

Books taken from book fair for Library: \$1,158.00

Credit Mr. Richey has with Scholastic: \$550.84 (happy shopping Mr. Richey!)

### **Overdue/Lost Library Books Notices:**

Starting this Sunday, February 24th, Mr. Richey will begin sending **Overdue/Lost Library Notices** via email. This will be weekly (Sundays) scheduled mailout to help your child(ren) and you can keep track of what books they have out! Mr. Richey is happy to address questions and concerns. Simply respond directly to the email notice in question.

Thank you!

Travis Richey

**Teacher-Librarian**



Teacher Librarian, Travis Richey and student Ava Hong, 8, check out the latest contributions to the levidrome board at Strawberry Vale Elementary School in Saanich. Schools around the world have put up boards to promote Levi Budd's word.

(Please see Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup> Times colonist for the full story!)

Photograph By DARREN STONE, Times Colonist



# 1000X5

1000 Books by Age Five

Children's

Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

Have you found the pink bin in the hallway by the school office? We thank you for your donations of books for babies and preschoolers. This last week, 12 volunteers cleaned, labelled, and gift bagged books for Songhees Preschool, Victoria Native Friendship Centre and several Best Babies programs – in total over 700 books.

Thanks to you, next week we will do the same for other families.

***Child Alert Attendance:*** Attention Parents!! Please let the school know if your child is going to be late or away from school..... This saves our office staff, parent volunteers and teachers valuable time. **Child Alert 250-479-5322 or e-mail: [alert32@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:alert32@sd61.bc.ca)**

Strawberry Vale Elementary Daily Times	
School Starts	<b>8:40 am</b>
Recess	<b>10:22-10:42 am</b>
Lunch Playtime	<b>11:50 am - 12:20 pm</b>
Lunch Eating	<b>12:20-12:45 pm</b>
Dismissal	<b>2:48 pm</b>

## March 2018 No PAC Meeting this month.

- Mar. 2 Hat Day
- Mar.5&7 Ukuleles Unlimited
- Mar. 8 Student Led Conferences 2:00-6:00: for Divisions: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12  
**Whole School Early Dismissal @ 11:50 am**
- Mar.16 Report Cards Home/Last Day School before Spring Break
- Mar. 19-April 3 Schools Closed for Spring Break and Easter**

## April 2018

- Apr. 4 School Reopens**
- Apr. 11 6:30 PAC Meeting in staff lounge
- Apr.20 Professional Development Day - School Closed**
- April 25/26 Whole School Musical 1:00 and 7:00 pm performances

## May 2018

- May 3-8 Book Fair
- May 9 6:30 pm PAC Meeting: AGM
- May 10 Class and Whole School Photos
- May 16 Rainbow Day
- May 17 Grade 5 Transition Day
- May 17 Welcome to Kindergarten Orientation
- May 18 Professional Day: School Closed**
- May 21 Victoria Day: School Closed**
- May 22 Professional Day - School Closed**
- May 25 Bike Safety Checks 8:15 - 8:45 on the basketball court
- May 28-Jun 1 Bike to School Week

## June 2018

- June 1 Aboriginal Day
- June 8 PAC Fun Day 1-2:30 pm
- June 13 6:30 pm PAC Meeting in staff lounge
- June 15 Outdoor Nature Day
- June 27 Grade 5 Recognition Ceremony 11:00
- June 28 1:00 Final Assembly 2:48 Dismissal/Last Day of School/Report Cards go Home
- June 29 Admin Day for Staff: School not in session**