

## Successes

### February 12, 2025 Board Meeting

#### Prospect Lake

- A team of grade 5 leaders went to the Learning for a Sustainable Future workshop at SJ Willis. They are now working on a presentation for our whole school assembly, and plan to start an invasive species removal club with teacher support from our school garden.
- Our school held its first PAW CLAW family grouping assembly of 2025, centered around the theme of Cooperation. The school then divided into 12 multi-age groups to participate in team-building cooperative games. After the assembly, students wrote about how cooperation makes our school a better place in their classrooms.
- A variety of clubs and teams currently running-- knitting , climate change makers, swimming, basketball, football intramural, art, PAWS Squad spirit club, PAWS Picks Literary Club.
- Successful Literacy Day-- all staff dressed up as Little Miss or Mr. Men characters-- activities included read around the school and family read in:



#### Deep Cove

- Variety BC announced the grant application for Deep Cove has been approved for \$6860 in funding towards an accessible U-Swing for our students:



The new multi-user swing will be installed near our existing traditional swing set. Thanks for the Deep Cove PAC who have committed an additional \$4000 towards this project. Installation is expected over spring break. Total value of the project is \$15000.

- On February 12, the school assembly focused on Black History month. Key messages included awareness, promoting equity, inclusion, and belonging, and cultural appreciation for our K-5 students.



### Brentwood

- In January, our focus was on working together: learning about canoeing, paddling, and First Nation canoe racing. Students designed both paper paddles and cedar paddles.
- The whole school participated in creating an art mural with Misha Smart and painting Pickles Bluff. Students hiked and learned about the Flood story in June 2023 and 2024 on Indigenous Peoples' Day.



### Royal Oak

- Plans are underway for the upcoming Celebration of the Arts evening on February 25 at ROMS. The event will showcase performances by the Royal Oak choir, dancers, drama classes, and jazz band! Our Performing Arts club, led by four Grade 10 Pursuit of Excellence students from Claremont, will perform a play written by the secondary students. Additionally, we will feature a silent auction with artwork from Grade 6-8 Art students and displays from our Fine Arts and Applied Skills classes.

### Stelly's

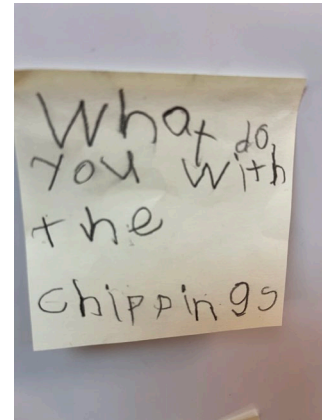
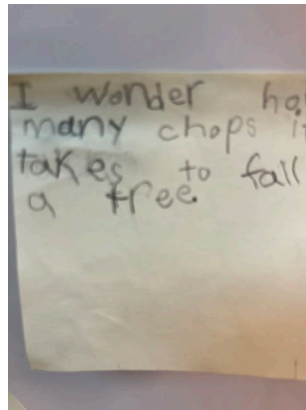
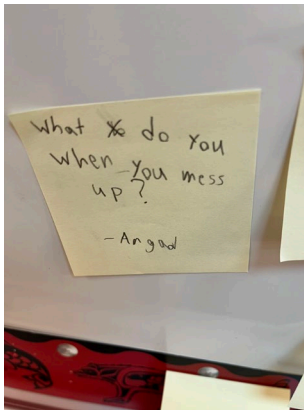
- For their culminating assessment in semester 1, the Food Studies 10 class designed food truck menus and prepared various items. Some staff members were lucky enough to sample these creations and thoroughly enjoyed their Stelly's Food Truck experience!
- The Stelly's Senior Musical Theatre group delivered five incredible sold-out performances of "Matilda"! They brought the story to life on the main stage, taking us on an adventure filled with fun, magic, and comedy. The performers, pit orchestra, stage crew, and audio/visual crew—all students—worked together to create outstanding shows. We are immensely proud of all the students and adults who contributed to this amazing production!

### Parkland

- Parkland is excited to announce its participation in the new Elders-in-Residence program. Elders Vern Jack and Deanna Daniels will be available for a total of 2 hours each week to connect with students, classrooms, and Parkland staff. They will share their knowledge, teachings, and experiences with those interested in learning and listening, whether in a classroom setting or a privately.
- Parkland Musical Theatre's production of Mamma Mia has sold out all four performances. Opening Night is February 5<sup>th</sup>!

### Keating

- This term, Keating Elementary is thrilled to collaborate with Bear Horne, who will be crafting a Welcome Figure for our school. All students will have the chance to watch Bear carve and participate in activities to learn about traditional carving and the importance of the Welcome Figure. During their observations, students wrote questions to contribute to the Wonder Wall. Here are some of their wonders:



### CDC/ALP

- The CDC and ALP staff and students have been learning about waste reduction and recycling. Last week, they enjoyed a fantastic field trip to the Hartland Landfill facility. While learning about the various functions and equipment at the facility, they had the exciting opportunity to meet an impressive employee up close on our school bus. Artie, the Harris' Hawk, is one of the working birds at Hartland. Along with a few other birds and their handlers, Artie helps keep flocks of seagulls, ravens, and other birds away from the human employees working on the site. These birds harass the "nuisance" birds to ensure they don't impede sightlines or make work on the open face more dangerous.