

FALCON Findings



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Please visit okf.sd53.bc.ca to keep up-to-date on your child's school.

Dates to Remember

MAY 2025

May the **4th** be with you

- 1 PAC meeting @6pm
- 1 Salmon Fry release
- 5 Parkour Div 1 & 6
- 6 Parkour Div 4 & 5
- 8 Parkour Div 3 & 2
- 8 Gr 6 immunization
- 11 *Happy Mothers Day*
- 16 *Jump Rope for Heart*
- 16 *Div 6 Book Expo*
- 19 Victoria Day NO School
- 22 Badminton tournament @ SOSS
- 28 Early dismissal @12pm
- 28 PAC AGM @ 6pm
- 30 Volunteer appreciation tea & Formal Day

Principal's Message



May is a great time to thank those around us that help us to grow! May 5-9th is teacher appreciation week and we would like to thank ALL of the staff that teach us each day.

Whether you are a teacher, or support staff the students and I would like to thank each and every one of you for their unwavering support, kindness, and commitment.

We would also like to thank all of the volunteers that help us to blossom and grow. We are so privileged to have volunteers such as PAC, our 1:1 Readers, the Lions Club, Belich's, Rise & Shine, the Apple Bin, Mr. and Mrs. Raposo that DJ for events, The Falls Barber Shop, the Legion, the OK Falls Regional Library, and SO MANY MORE!! If you have volunteered at our school this year, we would like to extend an invitation to our Volunteer Appreciation Tea. It will take place on May 30th at 1:30. We ask that you RSVP at 250 497-5414 or okf@sd53.bc.ca so that we know how many to plan for.

On behalf of all of the students and myself at OKFE, thank you for everything you do!

May is bringing us many activities such as Parkour, Jump Rope for Heart, body science, the PAC AGM, IEP reviews, grade 6 immunizations, and a book expo! Watch for more details to come



Mrs. Poole

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday-Friday
8:00-3:00

ABSENT OR LATE?

Phone 250-497-5414 and leave a voicemail message before 8:45am, or email okf@sd53.bc.ca so it can be recorded as an explained absence.

Summer Literacy and Recreation Programs



OK Falls Elementary and the RDOS are collaborating to offer a full day of literacy and fun. Priority will be given to students registered for both programs. Registration is required for each program separately.

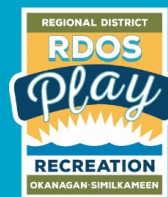
OKF Falls elementary presents Rhyme and Rec & Read and Rec this summer June 30 to July 18th from 830-12pm. All Programs require

adequate attendance to run. Attendance is expected for all 3 weeks. (unless arrangements have been made with Mrs. Poole)

If your student has not yet registered please do so ASAP. For more information, or to register, please email [Mrs. Poole](mailto:Mrs.Poole)



OKANAGAN FALLS Summer Camp *Read, Rhyme & Rec*



Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays, 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Nature & Adventure

Join the illustrious Coach E this week for an adventure brimming with a scavenger hunt, outdoor escapades, thrilling obstacle courses, enchanting storytelling sessions, and perhaps even a playful rhyming game or two!



Creative Arts and Movement

Coach E will guide the children in a delightful dance to melodies, crafting enchanting mini-plays, painting to the rhythm of the music, constructing wondrous sculptures, engaging in rhyme tag, and so much more!



Science and Sport

Coach E will mesmerize the young minds with a delightful fusion of Physics and play, featuring corner soccer infused with reading adventures, engineering games intertwined with strategic sports, and perhaps even relay races that dance with a scientific twist.

Registration

Cost per week: \$60

Minimum of 6 children to run the program.

Priority registration is given to the children in the Read, Rhyme & Rec program at the Okanagan Falls Elementary School.

Contact Nancy at nwigley@rdos.bc.ca to register



rec@rdos.bc.ca

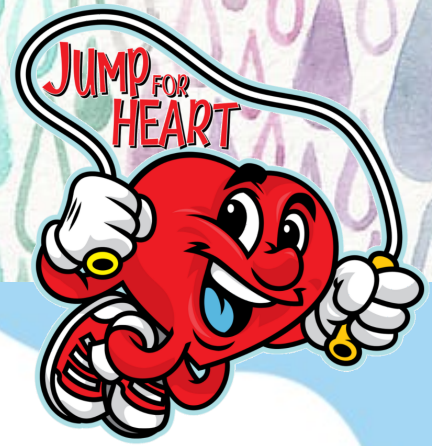


[@rdosrecreation](https://www.instagram.com/rdosrecreation)



rec.rdos.bc.ca

Jump Rope for HEART



Presenting Partner



 **Desjardins**

Support heart health with Jump Rope for Heart

Our school is participating in Jump Rope for Heart – a fundraiser that will encourage our students to get active, build healthy habits and give back.

Here's why we're participating

1. Money raised by our school helps Heart and Stroke drive important heart and brain research that will save lives, prevent heart disease and stroke and support families living with these conditions.
2. Jump is an inclusive event for all abilities to get kids moving and help them discover new and exciting ways to get active.
3. Students learn the EASY Healthy Habits that they can use to keep their hearts and brains healthy and help reduce their risk of developing heart disease and stroke later in life.
4. Jump gives back! Students can earn thank you gift cards from Indigo, Amazon or Walmart based on their fundraising level as a heartfelt thank you for their hard work.

How does Jump Rope for heart work?

At School:

- Starting today, we'll be practicing some awesome skipping and heart-pumping activities!
- We'll be learning about Heart and Stroke's Easy Healthy Habits to keep our hearts and brains strong and healthy to help prevent heart disease and stroke
- It all leads up to our Jump Event Day, where we'll celebrate what we've learned and the funds we've raised with fun jump rope stations, games, activities, and more. It's going to be a blast!

At home:

- You can help support lifesaving research by collecting donations from family and friends.
- There is no cost to participate.
- Fundraising starts now until our Jump Event Day
- Jump Rope for Heart uses an online fundraising platform. To register, create a personalized fundraising page for your child using the link below.
- When you register, you'll also get:
 - Helpful fundraising tips and ideas
 - Information and tools about the EASY Healthy Habits
 - Insights into Heart & Stroke's work

Our Jump Event Day is:

Friday, May 16, 2025

To learn more about Jump Rope for Heart visit jump ropeforheart.ca



Register Now!

<https://jump ropeforheart.crowdfunder.ca/89337>

Okanagan Falls Elementary - Okanagan Falls

Or visit jump ropeforheart.ca/registration

and search for your school

*Okanagan Falls Elementary School
invites you to our*

Volunteer appreciation Tea



*05/30
Friday*

*Located in our Library
RSVP to 250-497-5414
or okf@sd53.bc.ca*

*1:30
P.M.*

Thank you

OKANGAN FALLS LIBRARY

May 2025



TICK SAFETY



**Bobby Bovenzi
Drumming
upcoming in
JUNE!**



PROGRAMS

Okanagan Falls Kids Building Club

Every Saturday from 10am-2pm.

Bring your family for creative fun with LEGO®, Keva Planks® and Magna-Tiles®. What will YOU create?

After-School Lego Club

Wednesdays from 3-4pm

Calling All Student Builders! Grab your classmates and team up for the ultimate LEGO® challenge. Combine your creativity to build something amazing – the only limit is your imagination!

Pre-School Story Time

Tuesday from 1:30-2:00pm

Ignite your child's imagination with interactive story games and enchanting picture books that make reading an adventure!



Book & Bake Sale

Join us on Friday, May 16, from 10 AM to 2 PM at AG Belch's for a delightful book sale in support of the Okanagan Falls Library! Discover your next favorite read, enjoy some sweet treats, and enter to win a raffle basket packed with fabulous gardening goodies. Hosted by the Friends of the Library.

Okanagan Falls Grade 6/7 Storyboards

Ms. Eddison's Grade 6/7 students have put tremendous effort into creating these imaginative storyboards, each inspired by a novel of their choice. Storyboards will be on display from May 20-28.

Okanagan Fall Library

101-850 Railway Lane
250-497-5886

Tuesday 10am-6pm
Wednesday 10am-4pm
Friday 10am-5pm
Saturday 10am-2pm

ETHOS PARKOUR & Movement

Thank you PAC for providing the Parkour field trip!

MAY dates:

5th Parkour Div 1 & 6

6th Parkour Div 4 & 5

8th Parkour Div 3 & 2

Schedule Changes

Thank you to the **OK Falls Legion** for your thoughtful donations to our school.

Thank you **Kandace Lipsett** for your donations to our student snacks!

Thank you **PAC** for an awesome dance party and successful 50/50 fundraiser!

Thank you **Deborah and Ian Mavety** for your generous donation to support literacy and physical education.



Monthly meeting May 1st @ 6pm All are welcome to join.

Upcoming Year end FUN Day in June! Date TBD. Volunteers will be needed. Stay tuned.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



AGM: May 28 6pm

Seeking volunteers for the upcoming 2025/2026 school year.

All are welcome.

GET INVOLVED!

List of PAC nominations:

Kandis Lipsett for Chair

Kari Hill for Vice chair

Vanessa Morigeau for

Treasurer

Kari Hill for Secretary

Chelsea Fairweather for

Member at large



Division 6 Bike Ride



Okanagan

BUILDING FUTURES



FOR MANY FAMILIES,
BGC OKANAGAN IS
MORE THAN A CLUB
— IT'S A LIFELINE.



CLICK TO LEARN HOW YOU CAN MAKE AN IMPACT

VENABLES
THEATRE

Presents



Green Fools Circus Camp is coming to the Venables Theatre this summer. How to sign up:

REGISTER



Click to Sign Waiver



Subsidy is available upon request.

Summer basketball programs. Click the photo for registration form.

NBM BASKETBALL



School District No. 53 Okanagan Similkameen
HOCKEY CANADA SKILLS ACADEMY
at OLIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL is open to OKF stu-



If you are in need of financial support please contact the office.

StrongStart Program

Our DROP-IN StrongStart Program welcomes children ages 0-5 years with their parent caregiver.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

8:30-11:30



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

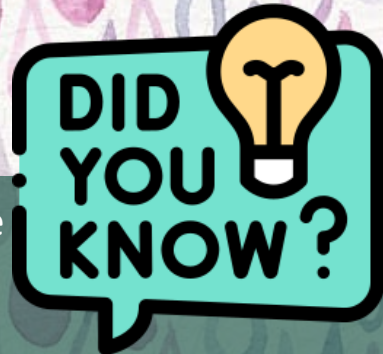


Immunizations are given by appointment at the Penticton Health Unit located at 740 Carmi Ave

CHILDREN STARTING KINDERGARTEN IN SEPTEMBER 2024

All children aged 4-6 years should get their kindergarten immunizations at the Penticton Health Centre

Book your child's appointment **NOW!** Call 250-770-3434



In **MAY**, Family Smart is hosting a few online

events that may be of interest to our students and families including:

- Finding and creating connection with kids
- Substance use and the power of support

Here is the link : <https://familysmart.ca/monthly-events/>



FamilySmart
Together-Centred

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If you have a child that was born in 2020, they are eligible to attend Full Day Kindergarten in September 2025.

Visit our school office between 8:00-3:00pm to register. Please bring your child's **BIRTH CERTIFICATE, CARE CARD, PROOF OF RESIDENCY** and other pertinent information. Kindergarten students will be invited to our annual Welcome to Kindergarten event, held in the Spring, to learn more about a positive transition to school.

Please contact Mrs. Poole if you have any questions about our full day kindergarten, preschool, or StrongStart early learning programs.





Thank you to our staff for facilitating the Talent show and to all the amazingly brave participants. WELL DONE!! Thank you families for coming and being a great audience.



FALCON PHOTOS

At the Celebration of Traditions
Pow wow.



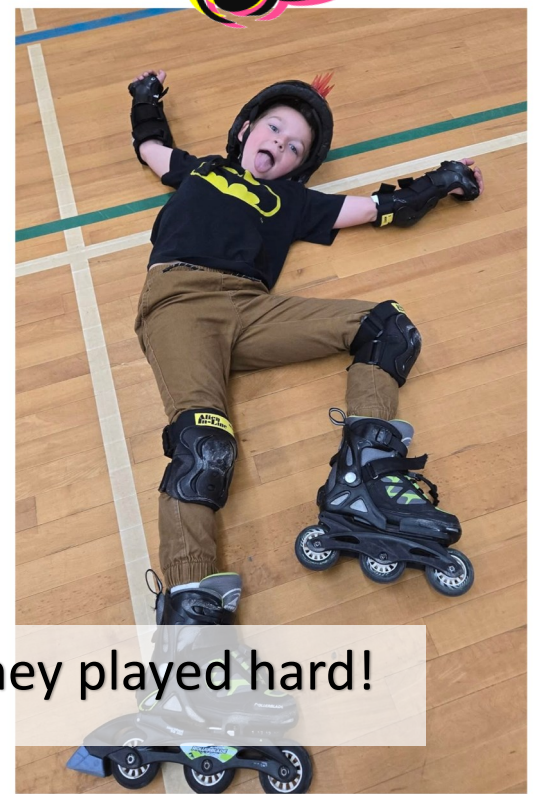
Easter egg hunt



Alien In Line Skating
FUN!



They played hard!



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In Full Colour

June 5-7, 2025
Okanagan Lake Park

www.hahahakidzfest.com

BIODIVERSITY-THEMED

ART COMPETITION

FOR KIDS & TEENS, AGES 3-18

Showcase your **local biodiversity** using any medium!

Biodiversity is all the living things, like plants, animals, fungi, and microorganisms



Open for entries until:
1 June 2025



@wildpostcardproject
www.wildpostcardproject.com



Regional Event

Move for Health Day



Come show us how you move, dance, skip, jump, toss, catch, on Move for Health Day, Saturday, May 10.

Learn the basic skills of pickleball.

All ages welcome

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Okanagan Falls	Similkameen
Recreation Centre	Recreation Centre
1141 Cedar Street	311 9 th Street

Light Refreshments provided

Contact rec@rdos.bc.ca for more information

rec@rdos.bc.ca [@rdosrecreation](https://www.instagram.com/rdosrecreation) rec.rdos.bc.ca

Our Alien in line skate rep let us know about a couple skating events upcoming.



Roll Mates: [SERVICES](#) | [My Site](#)

If you are looking to buy skates you can look online to Alien In-Line. Recommended brands are Rollerblade, K2, Seba, Bauer

[Alien In-Line](#)

Big Thank you for an awesome service!

