



Hello Thompson families,

I hope you had a wonderful Family Day weekend. All Staff attended a District Professional Development Day that included a wide range of topics from Indigenous Perspectives in the Classroom, Building Community, Mental Health in the workplace, The Pillars of Literacy and much more. We continue to explore what are our values here at Thompson and an “unveiling” of student values will happen at a Student assembly next Friday. Thank you to the many parents and caregivers who shared the values that are important to their family . If you didn’t get a chance to share a value, you still can, by clicking on this link :

<https://forms.gle/HS97fezVTxgbCkUW6>

## “Pawsitive” Practices

As part of our school Focus this year we will be explicitly teaching some “Pawsitive Practices” to encourage friendly, kind behaviour that builds our sense of community and belonging. Feb. 20th - March 1st our focus is: **“Clean up without being asked”**

## Important Dates:

**Feb. 28th: Pink Shirt Day**

**Feb. 28th: PAC meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the library**

**March 1: Pre-ordered Hot Lunch**

**March 4th and 5th: Basketball Tournament at Richmond High (Boys only)**

**March 6th and 7th: Basketball Tournament at Burnett**

**March 8th: Pre-ordered Hot Lunch**

**March 11th-14th Spirit Week. Details TBA**

**March 14th: Last day before Spring Break**

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call the school at 604-668-6420 or email me at [shoffinger@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:shoffinger@sd38.bc.ca)

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sharon Hoffinger

Principal, James Thompson Elementary School

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