

King Traditional Parent Memo

February

<u>**Our Monthly Virtue for February is: Friendliness!</u>** Each month, our students and staff explore a different virtue. These virtues are unpacked in lessons, connected to children's stories, and are integrated into the learning processes happening in our classrooms. In February, the virtue of the month is Friendliness. This is a great opportunity for students to practice those skills necessary for making and maintaining friendships. Why not have a discussion with your child about the importance of treating others with kindness? What about brainstorming ways to practice being friendly at home and at school? What about trying to make a new friend? Practicing proper manners, listening to others, or discussing how to be polite and courteous when speaking are all important ways to strength our ability to be friendly. Sometimes, being friendly is about showing others you care and there are MANY ways we can do this for one another!</u>

Parent Teacher Interviews: Its almost that time again! The beginning of February brings with it our next round of Parent/Teacher interviews. These interviews will be organized and conducted in a very similar way to the ones that took place in October. They are designed to allow families and educators to connect and communicate about your children's educational journey. These conferences are a great way for families to work with teachers and strengthen our educational partnership.

Please mark on your calendars that **February 7**th and **8**th are the parent teacher conference days. These are also early dismissal days to help accommodate the conferences. Students will be dismissed at **11:54** both days as this is when the busses will be picking students up from our campus. We will be running our instructional day as usual, and dismissing at 11:54 meaning students will be dismissed **before** our lunch time. Please ensure you make arrangement ahead of time to pick your child up if they are not bussing students.

Information has already been sent home on how to book an appointment and navigate our booking platform. We encourage all families to book a spot to meet with your child's teacher and discuss their learning progress. If you would like support in accessing our booking document please contact our office. You can also email your teacher directly to arrange phone calls or discuss other ways to connect.





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Uniform redistribution: Every year, King Traditional collects gently used uniform clothing from parents who are no longer using them. Perhaps they are too small, or the children have moved on to middle school. These uniform donations are then given to those who may be in need. Sometimes if a student become too messy or needs a change of clothing, we will give them a spare pair of pants or shirt that other families have donated in the past. Currently we are very low of **pants** in the size range of 6-10 especially. If you have pants in this size range **that you are no longer using**, why not consider bringing them to donate for others to use when in need? On the same note, are you a family that could use a few more uniform pieces? If so, talk to our office team to arrange a time to take a look at what we have. You are welcome to take something from what has been donated because....that's why its there! We are happy to help.

Want to be a Noon Hour Supervisor? Join our team!



Currently, we are starting the process of building up our list of parents who are interested in helping out as a noon hour supervisor. If you are interested in helping out for a range of days, a single day, or even just being on our emergency 'on call' list, please let us know! The onboarding process is the same regardless. It involves a chat with the Principal to discuss suitability and responsibilities, the completion of a noon hour supervisor package (available in the office), and a special noon hour supervisor criminal record check which is completed through the School District. This is a separate and more extensive check then our regular volunteer criminal record check. The process of getting a criminal record check is free, but can





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often take many weeks, so why not get the process started now? We love connection with our parents and this is such a great way to be a closer part of the team.

<u>Registration Link on Website now live</u>: As of the end of January, the link for future registration at King Traditional went live on our website. If you or someone you know has a child who is interested in registering at King Traditional Elementary School in the fall, please check out the registration link that can be found on our website. To find the link, click the "Parents and Students" button at the top of our website, and then scroll down to the registration link. There is also a link under "Blogs".

Once you fill out the digital form, our system will keep all entries in order by date and time. This means that we have an ordered list to consult when offering spots for the fall. Please note that we also follow district's admission protocols (such as keeping siblings together) and that these are important considerations that can effect the list of students we recieve.

Coming up this Month:

- -February 2nd: Student of the Month Assembly
- -February 6th: On site dental screening for Kindergarten students
- -February 6th: 2 Basketball games: Girls at Sayers, boys here at King
- -February 7th and 8th: Early dismissal. School ends at 11:54
- -February 9th: Mr. Price taking students to the Reach gallery and museum
- -February 9th: Shelter in place drill at 1:30
- -February 14th: Valentines day: Dress in Red, White, and Pink!
- -February 15th: Pancake lunch fundraiser for grade 5 celebrations.

-February 16th: Professional development day (no school) Abbotsford Shared learning conference for district staff

