



# Spring Valley's Bulldog Bulletin

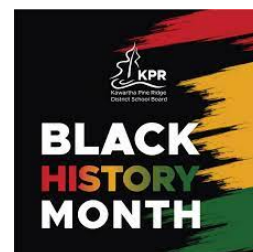
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## Message from Mr. Cooper:

Hello Valley families and welcome to the last week of January. We are at the midpoint of the school year. Family Day weekend is only 3 weeks away and the Spring Break starts about 3 weeks after that. We are disappointed that the first ski trip was cancelled and has been *rescheduled for Monday, February 26th*. Students originally registered for the Jan. 24th trip will go on the 26th. *This Wednesday's (31st) trip will be only be the students originally registered for it.* February is shaping up to be a busy month with the skating/winter fun day planned for the 9th, Valentine's Day Dance on the 14th, Term 1 Reports going home on the 21st, and more. Be sure to watch for classroom events and sports team announcements in Edsby.

## What you need to know:

- **February is Black History Month:** Thanks to your generous support of our School Council's fundraisers and the allocation of some of those funds to support our Equity, Diversity and Inclusion practices, I am pleased to let you know that all classrooms will have access to The Saidat **Journey Through Canadian Heritage!** Age-appropriate video series. We appreciate your support as we continue to build a safe and inclusive learning community.
- **French Language Instruction at Brighton P. S. Information night notification list.**  
<https://forms.gle/vZftPbVdeB7cPYhE8>
  - **Extended French:** If you are considering the Extended French (Grades 5 to 8) at Brighton Public for your child in the fall, please complete the form linked above.
  - **French Immersion** starting with Kindergarten will be available at Brighton P. S. in the fall. Sign up for more information using the link provided above.
- **Occupational Therapy Tiered Support Delivery model change:** Five Counties Children's Center partners with KPRDSB to provide Occupational Therapy support to our students. Their revised model is intended to provide more general classroom support while maintaining individual targeted support for those who need it. Read the linked notification for more details.
- **School Social Media Accounts:** You may have noticed that our Instagram and X accounts have been inactive for a few months now. This is because I have become increasingly uncomfortable with posting pictures of our students online. However, we will continue to photograph and document student learning and activities but they will be shown on the new TV that was installed just outside the main office before Christmas.
- **Valentines:** Some events are being planned for this day. More details will be communicated as they become available.
- **Water testing notification:** Please take a moment to review the linked notification. Be advised that the room referenced in the report (108 A) is the "Frog Pond", an enclosed adult-only space, in the library, NOT a classroom, and the sink/tap had not been in use for quite some time.



- **Kindergarten Registration is open!** Visit [kprschools.ca/kindergarten](http://kprschools.ca/kindergarten) for online registration information and to learn more about KPR's safe, inclusive classrooms, where children learn through play!
- **Winter wear:** Gloves and mitts are now in short supply at the school. If you can, please provide an extra pair of mitts/gloves, and socks in your child's backpack.
- **Mabel's Labels** The most effective way to help your child and us keep track of and return "lost" items is to ensure that their name (first and last) is marked inside them. Mabel's Labels is a company that provides customized labelling and they have partnered with us over several years to provide some fundraising support to our School Council when you make a purchase and identify Spring Valley as your home school.
- **Donation acknowledgements:** We would like to thank Brighton Clothing and Treasures for their generous donation to our Nutrition program this school year. We would also like to thank the Brian Todd Foundation for yet another generous donation, this year towards our music program. We are so fortunate to have such great organizations supporting the local community.
- **Allergy reminder:** Spring Valley has several students with various food allergies. Please continue to be understanding and mindful that we are a nut-free environment.
- **Morning Drop off:** If you have a child(ren) who needs a little more time and support to get out of your vehicle, please continue to join the morning vehicle lineup and, when it is your turn to unload, feel free to pull up to the pylons just past the yard entry gate, ahead of where the buses unload, to help your child(ren) disembark.

#### **Important dates for the calendar:**

Jan. 31 Ski trip # 2

Feb. 2 PA Day

Feb. 9 Skating and Winter Fun Day

Feb. 19 Family Day

Feb. 20 T1 Reports go home

**Feb. 26 Ski trip #1 rescheduled**

Mar. 8 - 15 March Break

#### **Resources you can access:**

1. KPR News [Updates for Families](#)
2. [Daily School Illness and COVID Self-Screening Tool](#)
3. Volunteering: [Volunteer Vulnerable Sectors Letter](#), [KPR's vaccination attestation form](#).
4. [KPR School Cash Online information](#)
5. [STSCO](#)



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