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General Brock Elementary Newsletter

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Dear Brock Community:

Welcome to the special **PINK** edition of our Brock Newsletter in honour of PINK DAY!!

Basketball Season is just concluding. Thank you to our coaches – Ms. Tassy, Ms. Ubial, Ms. Jackson, Mr. Dignum, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Cruz. Students improved their skills and learned more about playing as a team. Well done students! Next, we are on to Badminton!

Our school musical is moving forward! All the main parts are now in place but there will be many more extra parts and jobs to fill after Spring Break. Practices are on Tuesday and Thursday at 8 AM in the gym or Multi-purpose Room. For the first round of practices, we have divided the play into 6 sections. Please consult the schedule to see when your child needs to attend. See attached.

Concert

Thank you to the PAC for sponsoring another school-wide event. On Tuesday, February 25th we were just treated to some chamber music from the CMITS (Chamber Music in the Schools). It was a string quartet with 2 violins, a viola and cello. We learned about their instruments, how they work and different genres of “classical” music.

Report Cards

It's **report cards** time again! Watch for your child's report card coming home on Monday, March 10th! As usual, if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher to arrange a meeting time.

PINK SHIRT DAY

we want to encourage our students to always use kind words and actions and to stand up to mean language and behaviour. Harold

Friday, February 28th was Pink Shirt Day! This is a day where



Next PAC Meeting
Thursday, April 10th



Parents Night Out
Saturday, April 12th

Early Bird Tickets
only \$35 until March 10th
Come support our
PAC Fundraising!



Kushner said, “Do things for people - not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are.”

Are You Returning to Brock Survey

Thank you for completing the “**Are you Returning to Brock?**” survey. This will be very helpful for us as we begin to work on our school organization for the 2025/2026 school year. Although divisions and grade levels are never set until September, it’s great to have a plan in advance. 85% of families have now responded.

Celebrations

Brock loves to celebrate! We have Ramadan beginning on March 1st and Easter coming up from April 18 to 21st. If your family celebrates something different at home, we would love to learn about it. So please let me know at hsterling@vsb.bc.ca.

New VSB Parent Information Series - VSB After the Bell: Live

Introducing VSB After the Bell: Live, a new series of information sessions designed to provide families with direct access to educators and experts on key topics affecting student learning and well-being.

As an extension of the [podcast, After the Bell](#), the learning series is designed to be accessible and informative, featuring education subject matter experts, live Q&A and practical takeaways for families. For March, we will be exploring **how to navigate social media, AI and online safety**.

Topic: Helping kids navigate social media, AI and online safety

Date: March 11, 2025 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Who: Jeff Spence, VSB District Principal of Information technology and Christina Walker, VSB Digital Literacy Mentor Teacher

In an increasingly digital world, understanding how to be a responsible and informed online citizen is more important than ever. Join VSB After the Bell: Live for an engaging session on digital literacy, where we’ll explore how students can safely and responsibly navigate the online space.

Join experts in the field to discuss key topics including navigating social media platforms (Snapchat, Discord, Instagram, TikTok), the impact of Generative AI (Copilot, ChatGPT) and essential student online safety strategies. Learn how VSB is supporting both students and educators on this journey and gain practical insights to help your child thrive in the digital age. Have questions? Ask ahead of time to get them answered live. Submit questions [here](#). A link to the information will be sent a day before the event. In our podcast, VSB: After The Bell, you’ll hear directly from those responsible for our publicly funded education system.

Happy Spring Break!

From, Hope Sterling, Principal, and the entire Brock staff!



Thursday, March 6 Kindergarten Immunizations

Monday, March 10 Term 2 Report Cards Sent Home

Wednesday, March 12 PAC Hot Lunch Pizza Day

Friday, March 14 Last Day for Students before Spring Break

Monday, March 31 First Day Back to School after Spring Break

And in April

Monday, April 14 Saleema Noon Parent Zoom Call

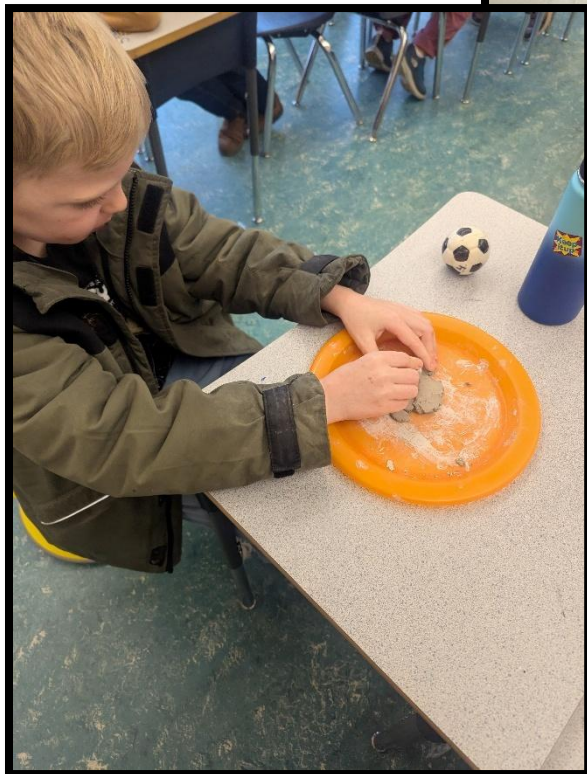
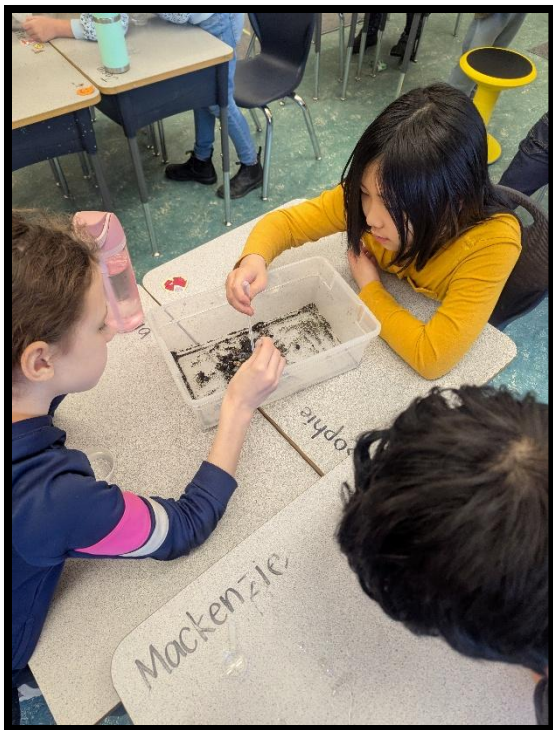
Monday, April 28 Indigenous Training Day (No School for Students)

**Now let's take a walk
down the halls of Brock!**

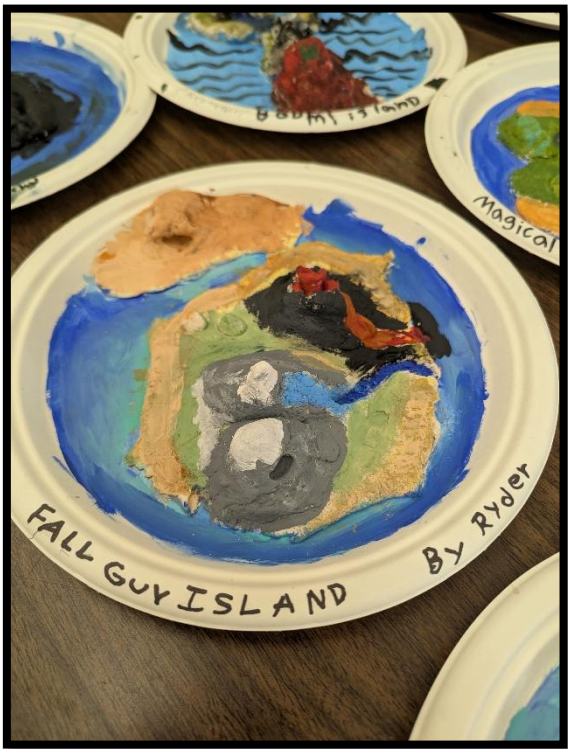
PINK SHIRT DAY



Division 4 learn about geomorphology!



Division 4 Created their own landforms!



Kind Mind Confi-Dance with DJ Rock'n'Beau

Thank you to the Kelty Foundation for all the fun!



The Library is a buzz with activity!

