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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!!

PINK SHIRT DAY

Wednesday, February 25th was Pink Shirt Day! This is a day where we want to

encourage our students to always use kind words and actions and to stand up to mean language and behaviour. This year's assembly was performed by Ms. Krause and the students of Division 11F. They treated us to skits, stories and informative videos. They also organized our Kindness Tree. This was set up in the entrance to Building C and each student was invited to add a pink kindness leaf. Harold Kushner said, "Do things for people - not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are."

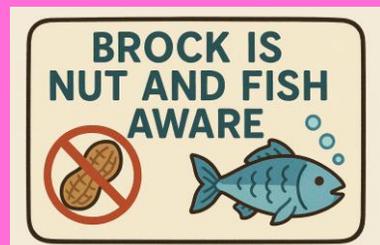
Basketball Season is just concluding. Thank you to our coaches – Ms. Tassy, Mme. Mountali, Mr. Dignum, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Ataiza. Students improved their skills and learned more about playing as a team. Well done students! The Junior teams have finished their season, however; the Senior teams are playing in the City Championships this week! Go Brock Go!!

Staffing

I would like to thank Mr. Harvey for teaching music to our students over the last few weeks. Sadly, he must leave us, and his last day will be on Wednesday, March 11th. Not only has he been sharing his wealth of music knowledge with our students on his breaks, he has also been helping teach our students the songs for our school musical. Who knows, maybe we will see him substituting at Brock when he returns from his trip later in the year. In the meantime, I will be posting a temporary Art position until the end of June. Then, if our Music Teacher does not return in September, we will then post a continuing job for a new Music Teacher in September 2026.



Next PAC Meeting
Wednesday, March
11th @ 6:30pm



Spectrum - Our 2026 School Musical

Practices are going well, but any support you can give your children with memorizing lines would be much appreciated. Currently we are holding our 8 AM practices on Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Gym and Multi-purpose Room. However, starting the week of March 9th, we will be moving our practices to Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday's at 8 AM. This will continue until the performances on April 30th and May 1st. Tickets will be available for \$5 through School Cash online just after Spring Break. There will still be a few non-speaking parts for primary students offered after Spring Break. There was a kind offer to video the performance, but I have forgotten the name of the individual who offered. If this was you, can you please reach out to Ms. Sterling? Thank you! Also, below is a list of items that would be helpful for our school musical. If you have any, please drop them by the school office or call the office 604-713-5245.

DO YOU HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A Small Bench without a back
- Colourful Hawaiian Leis
- Big Colourful Flowers or Green Vines
- A colourful Party Light that throws rainbow coloured light
- Colourful Beachballs and Pinwheels
- Lumber to build a 6 inch high by 6 foot long step

Family Dance Party

Thank you to the PAC for holding another school-wide event. On Thursday, February 19th we were treated to dance party with DJ Rock'N'Beau! There were cookies, candy, pizza, popcorn, glow sticks and lots of fun high energy music. It was a great community building event! PAC, you put the "Fun" in Fundraiser!

Report Cards

It's **report card** time again! Watch for your child's report card coming home on Wednesday, March 11th! As usual, if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher to arrange a meeting time.

Class Casting Input Form

Once again, we are offering parents a chance to provide input that will help us create our classes for the 2026/2027 school year. If you have information that you don't think our staff are aware of, please complete the form attached to this email. Remember, this is only for families who feel they have information that we do not know. Thank you.

Celebrations

Brock loves to celebrate! Ramadan began on February 17th and will end March 19th. Easter is coming up from April 3 to 6th. 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.

My Door is Open

Please remember, my door is always open. If you have any ideas or concerns you would like to discuss, please call our office and set up an appointment.

New School Calendars

Brock families, please click on this link that will take you to our new [School Calendars 2026–2029](#) for 2026/2027, 2027/2028 and 2028/2029. This may be helpful if you are planning ahead for any events or travels. Thank you.

Snacks

We have been having more and more students coming to the office looking for food. Sometimes it is because they don't bring enough food and sometimes it's because they don't like their food. Please talk with your children about their lunches to ensure they have enough, and it is food they will eat. Thank you, this will be most helpful.

Happy Spring Break! From, Hope Sterling, Principal, and the entire Brock staff!

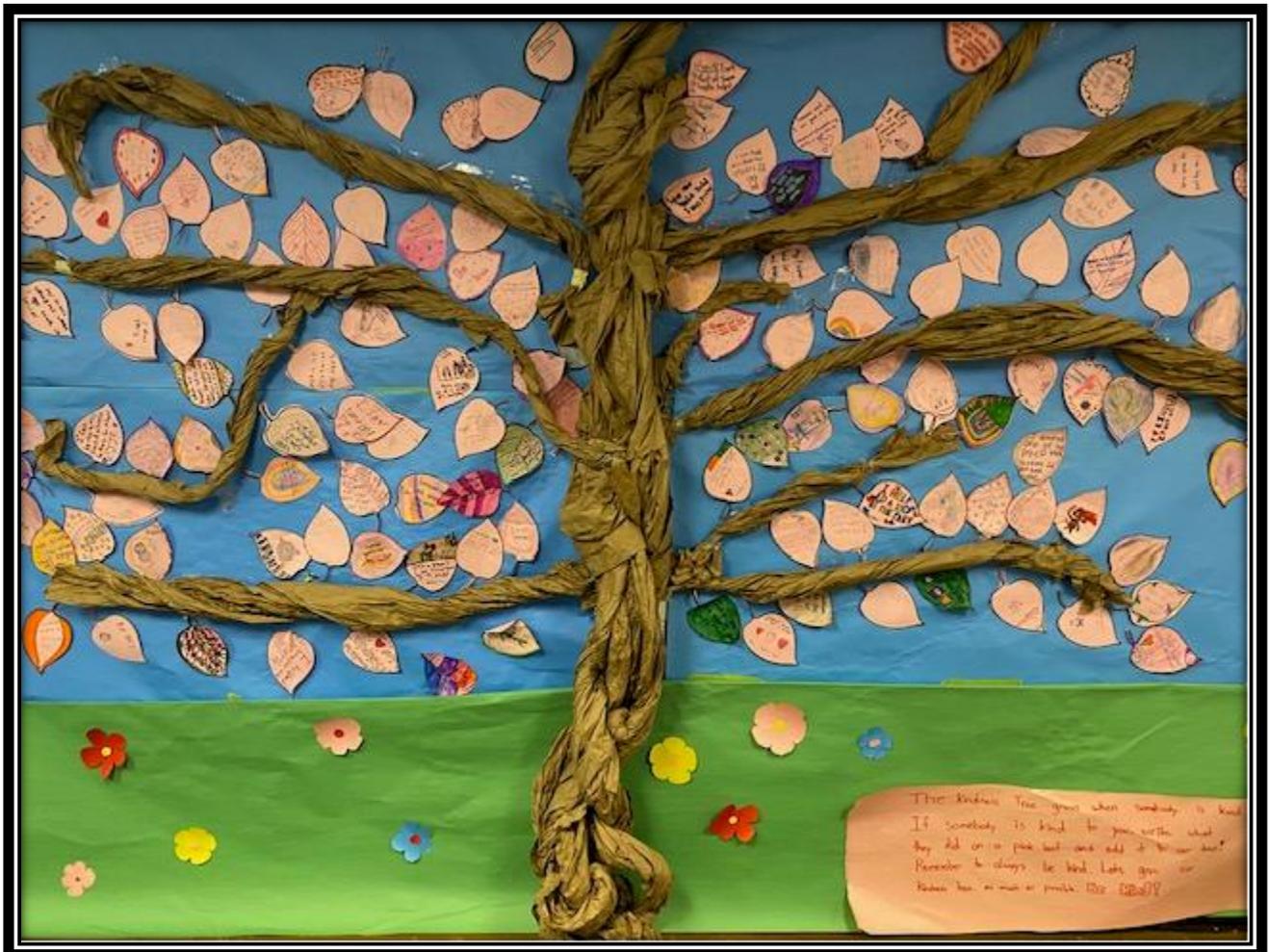


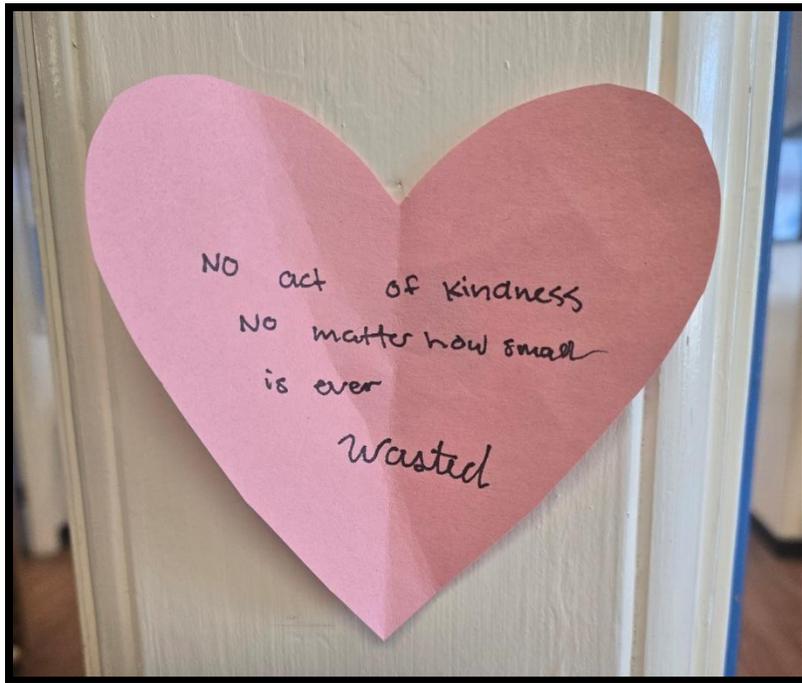
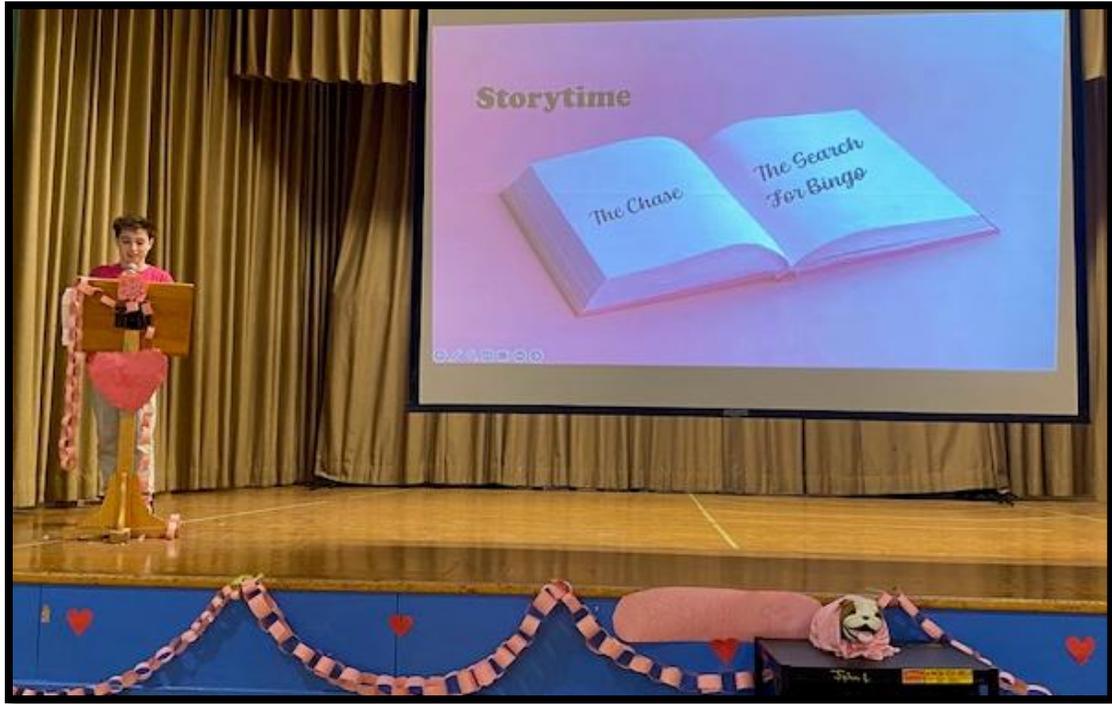
Wednesday, March 11	Term 2 Report Cards Sent Home
Wednesday, March 11	PAC Meeting in Library at 6:30 PM
Friday, March 13	Last Day for Students before Spring Break
Monday, March 30	First Day Back to School after Spring Break
<u>And in April</u>	
Friday, April 3	Good Friday – School is Closed
Monday, April 6	Easter Monday – School is Closed
Monday, April 14	Class Photo Day
April 15 & 16	Early Dismissal due to Parent/Teacher Conferences
Monday, April 20	Indigenous Focus Day (No School for Students)

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



KINDNESS TREE FOR PINK SHIRT DAY





SENIOR BASKETBALL TEAMS



JUNIOR BASKETBALL TEAMS



Enjoy Your
SPRING
BREAK

A colorful graphic for 'Spring Break'. The text 'Enjoy Your' is in a pink, cursive font at the top. Below it, 'SPRING' is written in large, bold, blue block letters. A yellow sun is positioned behind the 'I' and 'N' of 'SPRING'. Five colorful flowers (purple, yellow, pink, yellow, purple) are scattered across the top of the 'SPRING' letters. At the bottom, 'BREAK' is written in large, bold, green block letters. A green grassy border runs along the bottom of the 'SPRING' and 'BREAK' text.