



Forest Park School News

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Wow, here we are at the start of May and heading into a busy last couple of months

This is often when field trips and other classroom activities increase in number. Please be sure to check backpacks and planners regularly for notices and messages of upcoming events in the school and your son/daughter's classroom. It is most helpful to the classroom teacher when forms are returned quickly as this allows them to organize rides and groups well in advance.

This is also the time of year when we 'formally reflect' on our school goals and begin discussions for the upcoming year. We will be working on developing a school plan that builds on the strategies that are working while stretching out to new strategies to make learning even more powerful.

I am looking forward to a fun and exciting May and June, thanks again for all your support of both your child's education and the school as a community.

Yours in education,
Mr. Larry Dean

YEAR END ASSEMBLIES

Please note that both the Primary and Intermediate Year End Assemblies will be on **Wednesday, June 27th** this year. The last day of classes is **Thursday, June 28th**.

CELEBRATING OUR NEW INDIGENOUS GARDEN

Last Friday we had the official opening of our Indigenous garden. It is located down near the Boys and Girls Club portable. It looks wonderful! Our staff, students, School District and community partners did a wonderful job of organizing the

project. We are excited to watch it grow. See the second attachment to read more about the project.

FOREST PARK TALENT SHOW

On **Friday, April 27th**, Forest Park had its annual talent show. We had an amazing display of talent that entertained the audience and left many in awe. Congratulations to the following students:

Subin Yun, Paige Simpson, Bella & Myah, Ella Salsman, Taya & Dakota, Brandon West, Emma Gillis, Jasmine, Rhyan & Glennda, Theo von Boetticher, Mason Bakker, Evie von Boetticher, Tasia Creswell.

FOREST PARK BASKETBALL

We are all very proud of our bantam and peewee teams. They represented the school and themselves very well throughout the season. They showed great skill development from the beginning to the end of the season and they showed great team spirit. **Our bantam girls finished 3rd in the District Championship!**



Bantam Girls team: Savannah Shahi, Lindy Hobbs, Jocelyn MacGregor, Nicole Richardson, Sandi Kitchen, Mikenna Turenne, Zoe Wagner, Paige Barnfield, Maggie Drew, Sage Gibson, Lama Daboul, Keasha Barr. - **Coach - Mr. Kotai**

Bantam Boys team: Adam Ani, Connor Beckett, Tylin Chartrand, Dexter Geddes, Tristan Kutt, Riley Nordmarken, Jake Orton, Alex Perpeluk, Nick Rheault, Ryan Wakelam, Jesse Xu, Connell Sheehan. **Coach - Mr. Dean**

Peewee Boys team: Liam Sullivan, Keenan DeWit, Dawson Poole, Issiah Ater, Isaac Ketteringham, Cole Jacques, Jayce Turenne, Graiden Helm, Declan MacGregor, Tyree Rogers, Alex Buddenhagen, Theo von Boetticher...

Coach - Ms. Pienkowski & Mr. Zimmer

Peewee Girls team: Sianna Kelly, Ocea Lawley, Keisha, Barr, Maddie Barnfield, Isabella Maitland, Hailey Plested, Nicole Hobbs, Kaitlyn Messett, Emma Ward, Payton Buchanan, Taya Hleck, Victoria Somers, Riley Coones
Coach - Mr. Daly

TRACK & FIELD

On **Wednesday, April 25th** we had our school track and field meet. It was a beautiful day and the students really showed what they could do. It was exciting to see them run, jump and throw! The students who have qualified to attend the zone meet will be notified this week. The event will take place on **Tuesday May 29th**. I would like to thank all the volunteers—you really helped make the day run smoothly!



ARE YOU MOVING?????

If you are planning to move away from the Forest Park area this summer, or are transferring your children to another school next year, please advise the office as soon as possible. Your cooperation greatly assists us in determining our numbers and school organization for the 2018-19 school year.



INFORMATION ABOUT KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

A New Way to Register For School

A new convenient and streamlined process to register your child in Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools, online, centralized registration.

The following information will help determine if this process will apply to you. If your answer is yes to any of the following questions, you will register through the new online registration process:

- Is my child new to Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools?
- Do I have a child that will be turning five years old on or before December 31, 2018?

- Do I want to register my child in French Immersion?
- Do I want to register my child in Late French Immersion?
- Do I want to register my child at Departure Bay Eco-School?
- Do I want to register my child in secondary academies? (Hockey, Soccer, Beach Volleyball, Lacrosse, Baseball, Performing Arts or Jazz)
- Do I want to apply for a school transfer request (out-of-catchment)?

Before you begin, you will need the following:

1. A valid email address
2. Photo or scan showing proof of citizenship (ie. Birth certificate)
3. Photo or scan showing proof of Canadian residency (ie. Mortgage or bank statement, utility bill, driver's license, etc.)

For more information please visit the district [website](#) or by emailing ereq@sd68.bc.ca.

PARENTAL REQUESTS FOR STUDENT PLACEMENT 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

We are in the process of planning the next academic year. It is important you trust the teachers and administration to build classes which suit the students' both academic and social needs. We take a lot of care in doing classroom composition for each grade. We make up each class list in a way that maximizes the quality of teaching and learning conditions for all students. The classroom composition for each grade has to reflect the acceptance of all individuals within an inclusive school as we attempt to provide appropriate educational programming to all children. If you have specific educational reasons/concerns you would like us to consider about your child, please contact Mr. Dean (in writing) as soon as possible, but **no later than May 24th**. We do consider these requests along with all other pertinent information provided by classroom teachers and support staff. Please note your request will be considered but we do not guarantee it can be honored. It does become, however, an important part of our planning process. As teachers may change schools and grade groupings are dependent on our enrolment numbers and balancing learning needs, **please describe optimal learning**



environments without referring to specific teachers. We are not able to take requests for individual teachers.

VANCOUVER ISLAND CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL

It's time for the 32nd Annual Vancouver Island Children's Book Festival, Saturday, May 12th in Downtown Nanaimo! Tickets are on Sale Now. Book early so you don't miss out!
<https://bookfestcoordinator.wixsite.com/bookfest-tickets>

There will be presentations from an amazing and diverse line up of Canadian authors and illustrators. You will also find live entertainment, book signings and food trucks.

Where: Diana Krall Plaza, Downtown Library, Conference Centre. For more information and to check out the Presenters go to :
<https://www.bookfest.ca/>

SCHOOL DRESS CODE

As the weather becomes warmer, lighter clothing will be worn at school. Please take a moment to review the important dress code our District and School have in place.

Students will dress in an appropriate manner that is conducive to a positive and safe learning environment. Appropriate dress is:

- safe
- free of any reference to alcohol, drugs, gangs, hate, obscenity, profanity, discrimination or violence
- not disturbing or distracting to others
- **not displaying excessive amounts of skin - no halter tops, spaghetti straps, tube tops or backless tops**

Students arriving to school inappropriately dressed will be asked to phone home and change. Thank you for ensuring your child comes to school dressed accordingly.



DATES TO REMEMBER

May

- Tues., May. 8 PAC mtg - Library - 7 pm
- Wed., May. 9 Parent Appreciation Tea (1:30 pm)
- Thur., May. 10 Pro-D Day
- Fri, May 11 Pro D Day
- Mon., May 21 Victoria Day
- Tue, May. 29 Zone Track & Field Meet

June

- Wed., June 6 Welcome to Kindergarten (6pm)
- Thurs., June 7 District Track & Field Meet
- Tues., June 12 PAC mtg - 7 pm - Library
- Thurs., June 21 Whole School Day at Rathtrevor
- Wed., June 27 Year End Assemblies
 - ** Primary Assembly at 10:40 am
 - ** Intermediate Assembly at 1:00 pm
- Thurs., June 28 Last Day of Classes
 - ** Report Cards go home

