

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 18th - 2016 Kindergarten Orientation Day (10:30 a.m. for Future Kindergarten Students)
May 18th - Able Cresting Uniform Sizing Event (2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.)
May 19th - Grade 5 Transition Afternoon
May 20th - Provincial Based Professional Development Day - No Students in Session
May 23rd - Victoria Day - School Closed
May 26th - Zone Track Meet
May 27th - School Assembly (9:30 a.m. School Gym - Parents Welcome)
May 27th - Fancy Dress Up Day (Students can wear fancy dress up clothes or regular uniform)
June 7th - CTS PAC Budget Planning Meeting (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Principal's Message

Hello from our sunny Richmond School site. We have received delivery of 500 boxes and dozens of rolls of tape. We have not started the packing, but will begin soon. There is excitement to move back home to our Cloverdale site!

Thank you to the parents and Mrs. Jost for supporting and managing our rookie year as rugby players. We had 18 players join this sport for the first time. We were very lucky to have been matched with a volunteer new from Nova Scotia, Coach Matt, from Victoria Mini Rugby Association. Players have shown growth in skills and understanding of the game as well as sportsmanship. Their final Jamboree was today at Gordon Head Middle School. The participants were: Charilie, Carter, Kaleb, Gabe D, Jon P, Jake, Caleb B, Belinda, Genevieve, Andrew, Sebastian, Ella, Dryden, Payden, Gabe F, Zander, Thomas, Essien, and Olinka

Thank you to head lice Volunteers: Mrs. Tara Poilievre, Mrs. Mikki Rogalski and Mrs. Alisha Lewis for their head lice checks yesterday. Previously we have appreciated the help of Mrs. Sherry Clarke, and Mrs. Sarah Stark. Thank you all! We have nine students in the school with head lice at this time.

Quadra Village Days were last Saturday. Thank you to Mrs. Tanya Creed, Mrs. Ginny Woodfine and Mrs. Shannon Petrovic and other volunteers who organized our school's table and children's craft at this wonderful family event! It is a wonderful way for our school to connect with our community and we all appreciate your leadership.

Please note our updated School Calendar for 2016 - 2017. The one date that is not listed on the attachment is our own school specific pro-d day. Our school has chosen Friday, January 20th, 2017. <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/news/title/printable-2016-2017-school-year-calendar/>

Leadership Club Theme Day

The Leadership Club has chosen Fancy Dress Up day as the theme for Friday, May 27th, 2016. Here are some ideas to dress up on that day:

- Top hats, bow ties or regular ties, suits and suit jackets
- Dresses, fancy shoes, skirts

Students who do not want to participate may wear their school uniform on this day.

Triple C Club

This club's efforts were noticed! They won a Science World presentation for our entire school. The topic was Force and Motion and it was quite a powerful show enjoyed by all yesterday afternoon.

NEW Report Card

Our staff has been studying the choices given for a report card for next year. We've decided to go with the CSL reporting system. More details and samples to follow.

Grade 5 Bottle Drive

Please help the grade 5's as they raise money for their legacy gift to Cloverdale traditional. We will be having a bottle drive on May 28, 2016 from 10 am to 2 pm. Please bring your bottles to the Quadra Street Cloverdale. Thank you for supporting the grade 5's.

Earth Day

Daryl, manager of our neighborhood Thrifty Foods store at the corner of Quadra and Cloverdale, wanted to let all of our staff and students know that the impact made by the paper bags we colored for Earth Day was huge. Many of his customers made comments around helping future generations and changing current bad habits. What a lovely thing to hear!

Red Cedar Club

Our Red Cedar Club had a very successful trip to the Red Cedar Book Awards Gala at the Vancouver Public Library last Saturday. Club members from Grades 4 and 5 spent the winter and spring reading books from the nominated short lists, then voted for their favourites in April. The Gala celebrates the nominated books with presentations by both authors and students and announces the winners in each category. The Fiction winner this year was *Finding Grace* by Becky Citra and the Non-Fiction winner was *If...A Mindbending New Way of Looking at Big Ideas and Numbers* by David Smith and Steve Adams. The trip was a fabulous way to wrap up our year and reward the students for their commitment to reading these great Canadian books. Congratulations to all of our club participants and especially to our two groups who made such fabulous presentations at the Gala.

More info about the Red Cedar Book Awards (including next year's nominees):

<http://tinyurl.com/hqbg7qm>

See a photo here: <http://cloverdale.public.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Red-Cedar.pdf>

School Code of Conduct

Our school's Code of Conduct is under an annual review. We would like your input. Feel free to pop by the school and place your thoughts directly on the document which is on a table in the main foyer of the school. Alternatively, you can review the document on line and send your input to rpick@sd61.bc.ca. Input required by June 1st

Bike Rodeo Cancelled

We will cancel the bike rodeo this year due to the challenges of arranging to have bikes brought to the Richmond school site. We will continue with this program next year.

Mad Science Camps

MAD SCIENCE summer camps are sure to please! Mad Science engages children in scientific explorations that are so much fun children will forget they're learning! Children will design, create, build and assemble a variety of interesting projects and they will take at least one project home every day. MAD SCIENCE offers several exciting camp themes - Wilderness Survival Camp, Secret Agent Lab, Science Sleuths, Eureka!, Red Hot Robots in several locations. You can register your child online at vancouverisland.madscience.org, phone: 250 391 1814

CTS PAC UPDATES:

Feedback Wanted - June Budget & Planning Meeting

The CTS PAC Executive Committee will be meeting this month to draft up a budget and activities plan for the coming school year. The draft of the budget and year plan will be presented at the June 7, PAC meeting (the final one of the school year!). If you have any thoughts, suggestions, ideas or concerns about anything related to next year's PAC budget, please submit them to cts.pac@vcpac.ca. The Executive Committee will use feedback from parents to build our strategy for the coming school year. Your feedback is valuable and appreciated.

Able Cresting Uniform Sizing Event - May 18

Please join us for the one and only Able Cresting uniform sizing event of the year! Our uniform supplier Able Cresting will be at CTS on the Gym Stage @Richmond on Wednesday, May 18th from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Try on sizes of both crested and non-crested uniform items. Place an order at the Sizing Event for only \$5 in shipping. Order forms and payment services will be made available onsite. Cash, cheque and Visa/Mastercard accepted (Sorry no debit card or AMEX). The plan is to have all orders placed at this event bulked shipped to the school before summer break begins.