

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

January 31 - Emergency Preparedness Assembly (11:00 a.m. in the School Gym)  
February 2 - Lieutenant Governor Visits Cloverdale Traditional - Assembly 9:00 a.m. in the School Gym (Everyone Welcome)  
February 2 - Basketball Jamboree 3:30 at Reynolds  
February 7 - CTS PAC Business Meeting (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the School Library)  
February 10 - Pro-D Day - Curriculum Implementation Day - No Students in Session  
February 13 - Family Day Holiday - School Closed  
February 14 - Pink, White, and Red Day  
February 17 - Jump Rope for Heart Kick Off Assembly

## **SCHOOL UPDATES:**

### *Principal's Message*

Our Pro D day last Friday included Mrs. Aerts teaching us about Google docs and the application to the classroom. Next Mrs. Petrovic (with support by her daughter Olivia) led our school team through some gymnastics teaching as we prepare for our month long full school unit in April. In the afternoon various staff members shared their learning's from the October and November professional development days as well as their discoveries as they use the new technologies in their classrooms. The Read Now Society started again with the after school Noisy Reading Kids Club. The BC Lions were here yesterday, thanks to a Fortis BC sponsorship, to enthusiastically encourage energy savings by our students. You may be hearing some suggestions at home! Today's assembly had over 60 parents in attendance! Mrs. Marta and Mrs. Gleeson's class presented a happy, choreographed dance routine. One highlight was the unveiling of 31 Chrome books donated by our school PAC worth \$10,000. Mrs. Jost and Starr Munro passed them out to classes so they could have a look. Now teachers can book the cart and have enough for everyone in the class! Congratulations to Mrs. McIntyre and Mrs. Marshall's class who won the Cloverdale Cleanest Coatroom Cup this month. Honourable mention to Mrs. Coulter's class. Thank you to our student MC's this week Hannah, Brooke, Livvy, Alaine, Kailani, and Tanya. Have a good weekend! ~Miss Pick

### *100<sup>th</sup> Day of the 100<sup>th</sup> Year*

On February 21 Cloverdale is celebrating 100 days of school (on our 100 year anniversary). There will be tables set up in the hallways for students to display '100' in different ways. Start thinking about the 100 items you would like to bring to school. Items welcome the morning of February 21<sup>st</sup> and will be sent home again at the end of that day. Please do not send valuable items.

### *Proposed Calendars for Upcoming 2017/2018 and 2018/2019 School Years*

The Greater Victoria School District welcomes feedback on the proposed calendars for the next two upcoming school years.

The proposed calendar includes professional development days, vacation breaks, school openings and last day of classes. Responsive to feedback from parents, the Greater Victoria School District has collaborated with neighboring districts in Saanich (School District #63) and Sooke (School District #62) to align calendar dates, including spring and winter breaks, as much as possible.

To view school calendars visit: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/news/title/proposed-2017-2018-and-2018-2019-school-calendars-for-feedback/>

Feedback can be directed to the Superintendent of Schools, by email [super@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:super@sd61.bc.ca)

### *Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia to visit Cloverdale Traditional Elementary*

In 2017 Canadians will join together in celebration of the 150th anniversary of Canada's Confederation. To mark this occasion, the Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, is planning to visit 150 schools across the province in 2017. She will speak with students about her role in Canada's constitutional monarchy, encourage their participation in our democracy, and share ideas about a healthy and sustainable future for all. Her Honour will visit our school on Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 8:45 a.m. Please feel free to join us in a school wide assembly at 9:00 a.m. that morning.

### *Crossing Guard*

We would like to welcome Ms. Gayle Brown, our new crossing guard at the Linwood Avenue cross walk. Ms. Brown comes to us from Campus View Elementary where she has been a crossing guard for the last while. She has recently moved into the area and asked to move to a school in the neighborhood. We are so pleased to have her!

### *Times Colonist 10 K - April 30 at 9:00 a.m.*

For students, parents, support staff and teachers. To register, use the link <http://www.tc10k.ca/register-2016/> and sign up under "Cloverdale Runners". The Times Colonist Family Fun Run is at 11:00 a.m. on the same day and has a separate registration. Information on the Cloverdale team sign-up for the Fun Run came out this morning.

### *Triple C T-Shirt Project in the BC Green Games*

It's time to vote! The Triple C Club has submitted their t-shirt project to the BC Green Games. They could win \$500 if they get the most votes. Voting continues until April 30<sup>th</sup>. They could win \$1000 or a mural made with recycled paint, if the judges pick them. Please vote when you can. You are allowed to vote as often as every 5 minutes. Happy voting!  
<https://www.bcgreengames.ca/project/triple-cs-tees1649>

### *Lego Club*

Our Lego Club has been in full swing for the past few months. For those who are familiar with the club, you may be noticing that there have not been any Lego comics this year. The Lego Club Magazines are now available online at [www.LEGO.com/life](http://www.LEGO.com/life). Children can sign up to receive the publications on line, with the help of their parents.

## **PAC UPDATES:**

### *Next CTS PAC Business Meeting (Feb 7)*

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the next CTS PAC business meeting on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the CTS Library. This will be an important meeting in which we need quorum. The CTS PAC has a surplus of available funds and a number of projects, proposals and fund requests to add to our annual budget. Please join us to vote on how we should spend the money you have helped to fundraise. Lise Richards from Active and Safe Routes to school program will also present the results of the parent survey on student transportation. And Miss Pick and Mrs. Jost will present the results of the new report card parent survey. Complimentary child-minding will be available in the school gym for all families in attendance. Snacks and refreshments will also be provided.

### *Looking For Interested CTS PAC Executive Members*

Interested in getting more involved with the CTS Parents Advisory Council (PAC)? Did you know that all parents/guardians at CTS are part of the school PAC, and each May the CTS PAC votes in a new Executive Committee. The CTS PAC Executive Committee, on direction from the greater PAC, helps to organize and coordinate PAC projects, events and fundraisers, as well as liaise with

various groups within the Greater Victoria school community. Nominations for the CTS PAC Executive will be accepted in April 2017. ***We are currently inviting parents with interest in joining next year's CTS PAC Executive Committee to join us at our monthly PAC meetings and/or Executive Meetings to learn more about what we do.*** For more information about the PAC, including roles and responsibilities of the Executive Committee go to: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/parent-info/pac-overview/>. To connect with a current Executive Committee member to discuss this topic further email [cts.pac@vcpac.ca](mailto:cts.pac@vcpac.ca).