

STUDENT RELEASE REUNIFICATION DRILL DATES:

March 2 - Synrevoice Test Call Out
March 6 - Synrevoice Email with Information
March 7 - Parent Information Night at 7:00 p.m. in the School Library
March 9 - Synrevoice Email Reminder
March 10 - Synrevoice Call Out Reminder
March 10 - 2:00 p.m. Student Release Drill

IMPORTANT DATES:

March 7 - Hanging Basket Fundraiser Begins
March 7 - Info Night: Emergency Planning & Family Reunification Drill (7:00 p.m. -8:30 p.m. in the Library)
March 10 - Reunification Drill (2:00 p.m.)
March 16 - Term 2 Report Cards Go Home
March 16 - Hanging Basket Orders & Payment Due
March 17 - Assembly 9:00 a.m. in the School Gym - Everyone Welcome
March 17 - Last Day Before Spring Break - Students in Session All Day
March 31 - Student Led Conference Scheduling Opens
April 3 - First Day Back from Spring Break

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Principal's Message

We kept focused on our studies despite the confusing weather! An important piece for parents this week is to know that NEXT FRIDAY we will be releasing students early as part of an Emergency Drill practice. Please read all of the notices and messages coming your way. Thank you to the parents who continue to donate expired epi-pens for our staff to use for training. Thank you to our Head lice volunteers with their laser like focus. The continuous efforts by our parents have reduced our head lice count to 3 cases – our lowest ever. Notices of effected classes are going home today. It was wonderful to have Superintendent, Piet Langstraat in our school Tuesday night at the District PAC meeting to discuss the district Transfer Process. We welcomed 20 student teachers from Yasuda Women's University, Japan on our tour of our school. They are here at UVIC studying. The Grade 2 students jumped aboard the bus on a blustery Monday to attend the Symphony at UVIC. Great effort by our Grade 5 floor hockey team at the Jamboree on Tuesday at Cedar Hill Middle. The team plays the staff today at noon hour. Additional field trips this week were to Hartland Landfill. Thank you parents as your fundraising efforts boost our curriculum and experiences for your children. World Cups Youth Soccer Festival takes place April 14th and 15th. If we have a minimum 20 soccer players from our school at this event we could win \$1000. Take a look here: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/1000-World-Cups-Festival-School-Contest-Letter.pdf>

~Miss Pick

Watch For Information about Our New Online Booking Process for Student Led Conferences

An email with information and instructions on how to use our new online booking system should arrive in your inbox on Friday, March 31.

This year, Student Led Conferences will take place on Wednesday, April 19 from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, April 20. Students will be dismissed at 11:54 a.m. both days.

Synrevoice Call Outs

When you receive a call from the Synrevoice system, please listen closely to the message for the details it is providing. These types of calls do not require calls back to the school. The calls are meant to inform parents of important information that needs to get to them immediately. We

ask you to refrain from calling the office to ask what the call was for as this puts high pressure on the office to try to answer questions that were already addressed in the message sent to you.

Swim Club Swim Meet

Swimmers from Session 1 or 2 are invited to a Tyee Swim Meet on Sunday March 7th at Crystal Pool from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. This is for swimmers who are comfortable swimming 25 metres in the deep end (Swim Skills and Swim Club groups). Please email admin@tyeeaquaticclub.com by Tuesday March 7th if you wish to attend. This meet is meant to be a fun experience where swimmers can celebrate their new skills.

Times Colonist 10 K and Family Fun Run

The Times Colonist Family Fun Run and 10 K is on Sunday April 30th (11:00 a.m. Fun Run and 8:00 a.m. for the 10 K). You may register for either run under our school team "Cloverdale Runners" at <http://www.tc10k.ca/register-2017/>.

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 30th. 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>

PAC UPDATES:

Emergency Preparedness & Student Release Drill Info Night

Please plan to attend the CTS PAC Information Night next week. The topic is Emergency Preparedness & Preparation for the March 10 Student Release Drill. This is a very important information night to attend. Join us Tuesday, March 7, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the CTS Library. The evening will consist of four presentations on: The School Emergency Plan and Student/Parent Reunification Procedures; City Emergency Preparedness and Family Emergency Plans; Disaster First Aid Facts; and Helping Your Child Cope After a Disaster. This important information session will provide you with all the information you need to participate in the CTS School Wide Controlled Release Drill on Friday March 10, 2017, as well as provide you with additional family disaster planning strategies. Complimentary child-minding will be available. Snacks and refreshments will also be served. This information session is FREE to attend, but pre-registration is required for planning purposes. Please register online at: <https://goo.gl/forms/FAjkiQOSaFzTIH1L2>.

Mother's Day Hanging Basket Fundraiser

Once again the CTS PAC is hosting our Hanging Basket Fundraiser. Place your order in March (before spring break), and flowers and strawberry plants will be delivered in early May, just in time for Mother's Day. Order forms and information will be coming home in your child's agenda on March 7. We will also email out order forms for easy sharing via email/Facebook. There is a quick 1 week turn around for this fundraiser - so be sure to get your orders in to the school office BEFORE spring break. We typically make \$1000 from this fundraiser. Any questions please email cts.pac@vcpac.ca.

Looking For CTS PAC Executive Committee Members

We are still looking for parents to fill the roles of Chair & Secretary on next year's CTS PAC Executive Committee. Please note that our PAC will not be able to operate next year without these positions filled. Nominations for next year's CTS PAC Executive will be accepted in April 2017. We will vote in the new PAC Executive at our May AGM. *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 please email cts.pac@vcpac.ca.