

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

May 19 - Professional Development Day -no students in session  
May 22 - Victoria Day - school closed  
May 26 - 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration 9:00 a.m. assembly in the gym  
May 26 - 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration Family Picnic 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
May 26 - Student Placement Forms for 2017-2018 School Year Due  
May 27 - Grade 5 Bottle Drive 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
May 29 - Zone Track Meet - Grades 3-5 at UVic  
June 2 - Assembly 9:00 a.m. in the school gym - everyone welcome  
June 6 - CTS PAC Budget & Planning Meeting (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)  
June 7 - Parent Appreciation Morning (8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.) - everyone welcome  
June 9 - CTS Year End Party (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)  
June 16 - Aboriginal Feast

## **SCHOOL UPDATES:**

### *Principal's Message*

Happy Mid-May! The butterflies are trying out their wings in the classrooms and the salmon have been delivered to Goldstream already. Our students are connected in real time as they study the life cycles in nature. A big welcome to each of you to our events next Friday in celebration of 100 years of school at the Cloverdale site. Many events are happening here: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/school-spotlight/100th-birthday-of-this-school/>. We will have an additional assembly on Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> to recognize the May events since the May assembly is focused on the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. It was a big day yesterday with the arrival of all future Kindergarten students for their Orientation. That same afternoon the Grade 5 students left for their middle schools for Transition Day activities. There is so much energy around as we anticipate the future for our students and we are so grateful for all the behind the scenes effort to make these experiences successful. We hosted Ann Marie Biggs, principal from Auckland, New Zealand and her husband on an international tour of schools thanks to our connections with UVIC. She was delighted to see our unique public school and remarked on the parent involvement and student's ability to fully explain their work. The school was a buzz with Science Venture lessons thanks to UVIC students. The hands-on activities were a hit with students especially making elephant toothpaste. We are busy on Professional Development day with the EAG's off on training and the teaching staff being led by in-house leaders on strategies for out of the box thinking as well teacher directed professional learning. Enjoy your long weekend everyone and Happy Victoria Day!. ~Miss Pick

### *Bottle Drive*

The grade 5 students are having a bottle drive on May 27, 2017. They are raising money to purchase a new bike rack for the school. Please drop off your bottles and cans on Saturday, May 27, 2017 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. If you are unable to drop your bottles off on Saturday, grade 5 students will be collecting bottles at the front of the school on Thursday, May 25 from 8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. Thank you for supporting recycling and our school's Get Active Programme.

### *100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Cloverdale School*

We hope you will join us in our celebration by coming on Friday, May 26 from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m for a picnic in our field. Students will eat lunch outside this day. We invite all parents, grandparents, sibling, and other family members to bring a picnic and join their children for lunch

time. Like us and Follow us on Facebook - Cloverdale Elementary School 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
<https://tinyurl.com/nylbdvr>

#### *Cloverdale Traditional Welcomes the New Kindergarten Class of 2017-2018*

We would like to take a moment to pause and thank everyone for supporting Kindergarten Orientation yesterday:

Mrs. Petrovic for coordinating us! As well as the activities, gym and name tags! And to Mrs. Clifford, Mrs. Dailyde and Ms. Loma for their help

Mrs. Glover for coordinating the children and EAG coverage

Mrs. Camden and Mrs. Bender for welcoming all 3 current K classes into their rooms for a 'Visit to Grade 1!'. Thank you EAG's for your flexibility and help with these large groupings.

Miss Thompson for covering the office (and making a PA announcement!) while we were all downstairs.

Thank you Mrs. Swain, Mrs. Bird, Mrs. Jost, Mr. Reid and Ms. Chiappetta for helping with observations.

For the first time ever we had 100% of the future K's attend this event. We are over the moon with anticipation of their arrival in September knowing now what a keen group it is. Thank you so much to Mrs. Haywood and Mrs. Shaver who sent out emails, made 58 individual phone calls to communicate this event and gather the paperwork for registration. We now have 100% of the paperwork for registration – another first.

We were very happy to have our public health nurse, Ms. Alicia Green, as well as the uniform company, Don and Carol as well as 4 PAC members (Ms. Stark, Mrs. Grigolato, Mrs. McAskile, Mrs. Haase, and Ms. Munro) members who greeted and liaised with new parents.

Thank you for welcoming the next group of students to our school! This event helps the children get familiarized with our school. It helps us get to know the students and their parents to support smooth transition, provide expectations for our school, set up services, coordinate best placement and get everyone on the CTS track.

Thank you everyone! And welcome new K students of 2017-2018!

#### *Aboriginal Culture Club Update:*

We congratulated our first two pairs of student leaders for handing out the Bear Claw cards at recess and lunch: Audrina and Ruby as well as Hunter and Jordan. We have now planned as a group next week's schedule for the Bear cards. Next week is week 3 and Philhelmina and Stephanie will be walking around with the clipboards looking for students showing gifts of the bear. We then brainstormed as a group about an announcement for Miss Pick that we wanted to give to the school next week on the PA system. Here is the announcement "Good morning Cloverdale Traditional staff and students, keep watch for students taking part in the Bear Paw project, they will be carrying around clipboards and watching for students helping other students. They will also be watching for students including other students in play, and student's problem solving together". Thank you Mr. Kissinger for leading our group.

#### *We celebrated our 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday at Quadra Village Days!*

Thank you to Tanya Creed, Shannon Petrovic, Ginny Woodfine and for arranging our school's table display at Quadra Village days! 100 birthday hats were given out as well as dot to dot activity sheets! Thank you for the beautiful cake made by Jennifer Vallee displayed at this event! We had lots of enquiries about our school from new families! We had lots of visits! Thank you for keeping us connected to our community, Tanya!

#### *Rugby Jamboree*

Congratulations to our Rugby players on their first Mini-Rugby tournament this year. Thank you to our Coach Alex, to Mr. Gartly for sponsoring and to Mrs. Jost who coordinates, cheers and attends every practice. Students who participated were: Genevieve R, Sebastien G, Reyona J,

Jake A, Dryden B, Sam L, Nik M, Thomas O, Jon P, Gabe F, Ella R, Kalum S, Essien T, Kiera R, Dylan S, and London W.

## **PAC UPDATES:**

### *CTS PAC Budget & Planning Meeting - June 6 (6:30-8:30 p.m.)*

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us Tuesday June 6, 2017 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the CTS Library for the last PAC business meeting of the year. **This is an IMPORTANT meeting for which we will need quorum.** This is the Budget & Planning meeting where we discuss and vote in the fundraisers, events, activities and expenditures for the PAC for the next school year. Please plan to join us. Complimentary child-minding will be available in the gym for all parents in attendance.

### *CTS Year End Party - June 9 (6:30-8:30 p.m.)*

You and your entire family are invited to join us at the CTS Year End Party on Friday June 9, 2017 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Admission is by donation. Bring a family picnic and enjoy it on the soccer field. Ice cream, popcorn and candy will be available for purchase. We will have free games, races and other activities available, as well as some music and dancing. The party will take place in the CTS Gym and outside on the soccer field (weather depending). Parent supervision required.

### *Looking for Volunteers*

We are looking for parent volunteers to help with the following Coordinator and Committee positions for the next school year. We rely on parent volunteers to run the many events and fundraisers that we hold at CTS each year. Without your support we could not do many of these things. If you are interested in helping out with any of these roles next year please email us now to let us know at [cts.pac@vcpac.ca](mailto:cts.pac@vcpac.ca).

- **Save Around Book Fundraiser** (This runs for 2 weeks in early September)
- **Craft Fair Vendor Coordinator** (Organize vendors for the Craft Fair)
- **Craft Fair Event Coordinator** (The main go to person for the Craft Fair)
- **Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator** (Helps sign up volunteers for events when we need them)
- **Emergency Preparedness Co-Coordinator/Committee** (Help organize Emergency Preparedness supplies and processes)
- **Active & Safe Routes to School Co-ordinator/Committee** (Potential new committee to help implement action items from Active & Safe Routes To School Report)

## **COMMUNITY AND DISTRICT UPDATES:**

### *Thrifty Foods Youth Golf Clinic*

See poster for more details on a youth golf clinic held June 4<sup>th</sup> at Uplands Golf Course.

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Thrifitys-Youth-Golf-Clinic-.pdf>

### *Governance Matters*

Want to learn about governance in Saanich? Have ideas to share? Saturday May 27, 2017 hosted by Dr. Evert Lindquist. See poster for more details. [https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Saanich-Governance-Review-ad-2\\_01-4\\_33x5.pdf](https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Saanich-Governance-Review-ad-2_01-4_33x5.pdf)