

IMPORTANT DATES:

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
June 21 - Kindergarten Graduation
June 27 - Fun Day (1:00 p.m.) - No Uniforms Required
June 28 - Beach Day (Willows Beach) - No Uniforms Required
June 29 - Assembly 9:00 a.m. in the School Gym
June 29 - Last Day of School for Students
June 29 - Report Cards Sent Home
June 30 - Administration Day - No Students in Session

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Principal's Message

Happy 100 years Cloverdale School Community! Today we welcomed special guest School District 61 Board Vice-Chair Tom Ferris, School Board Trustee Deborah Nohr, Associate Superintendent Deb Whitten, MLA Rob Fleming, and Mayor of Saanich, Richard Atwell to our school to help us celebrate. We also welcomed students, parents, and staff, and alumni students, parents and staff.

We began our assembly with a connection to our musical roots by showing a photograph of a 1940's orchestra of Cloverdale School. When this photo was discovered we knew that a feature of our assembly needed to include our Grade 5 Strings group. We have currently had an orchestra for ten years. It is with pride that we welcomed our 52 Grade 5 students, the class of 2017 and their conductor Mrs. Margaret Dzybik playing 2 songs for us; 'Cabbage Countdown' by Bob Phillips, and 'At the Grasshopper Ball' by Richard Meyer. We were treated to a polished performance after just 8 months of learning their strings instruments.

Our students performed a song called 'The Cloverdale Anniversary Song' by former teacher Mr. Michael Davies. Our choir led our students in singing another song called 'We're From Cloverdale'.

We had a chance to glimpse through 100 years of history. Our gymnasium was transformed thanks to hours of research and 'just right' teaching to bring the study of our school's history within a decade by decade back drop to our student audience aged 11 and under. We need to give a huge thanks to our staff who completed this admirably for all of us to enjoy. To read more in depth about the decades and what our classes learned, click the link here:

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Decade-Displays.pdf>

Today has been a special day and we hope to inspire our student's writing. I read some wishes that were written to our current students from the pupils of 1992. One student wrote "My wish for the future is to have a good job". Another wrote "My wish is that I have my own children and they go to Cloverdale School". One student even wrote "My wish is that I hope to go to the 100th celebration". I asked students what they wish for the students of the future? What wish do they have for the future students 25 years from now? And what year will that be? The second writing idea is based on a photo of a cover in the ground with 1994 made with tile. Our wonderful grounds crew and facilities workers found this outside and uncovered it for us. We couldn't wait to see what was in it. We wanted to show everyone all the items that were found inside. What

did the students of 1994 put in there? We opened it up ... and it was empty. It is a mystery. So we have a writing task. Tell us what you think might have happened. The class from the 1990's might even try to think about what might have been inside. Let's put some new items in this place - let's create a time capsule with your writings. We can't wait to read your ideas. Our final slideshow photo today showed the 50th Birthday cake cutting. This birthday was celebrated in 1967 with special guests at the time. We even re-enact this photo by welcoming to the front our special guests from the school district and municipal and provincial government as well as Vice Principal Sandra Jost and former Principal Terry Kotyshyn. Then we all sang, 'Happy Birthday Dear CLOVERDALE'

Congratulations Cloverdale School Community on this your 100th year! The building has changed. The people have come and gone. Thank you to each of you here for continuing the spirit of this place. Happy Birthday everyone! We hope many of you were able to join us at noon for a family picnic on the back fields. Our open house continues from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and then our Wine and Cheese Reception is back here at 6:00 p.m. ~ Miss Pick

School Chosen Pro-D Day for 2017/2018 School Year

In accordance with the School Act we are required to inform our school community about our school specific professional development day for the 2017-2018 school year by May 31, 2017. Cloverdale Traditional School has chosen Friday, January 26, 2018. For a list of other professional development days and holidays for the 2017-2018 school year, click the link: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/calendars/2017-2018-and-2018-2019-school-calendars-2/>

Student Placement Forms for 2017-2018

Forms were due back today. If you have not yet returned this green form please make sure you do ASAP. This information greatly aids teachers when building classes for the next school year.

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.

Grade 4 Parents

The deadline to the Ministry of Satisfaction survey has been extended. The website link and your anonymous code is on the letter that was sent home in April. The new deadline to complete this survey is June 16, 2017.

Bike to School Week

We would like to encourage Bike to School Week next week! Cyclists can come and sign in on the sheets on the bulletin board outside the computer lab if they rode their bike to school

PAC UPDATES:

CTS Year End Party - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are currently planning the CTS Year End Party for Friday June 9, 2017 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. We are in need of a variety of different volunteers to help out at the party with everything from set up and ticket sales, to food sales and games & activities. Please sign up to volunteer using our online form at: <http://bit.ly/2qBTXo5>.

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.

Monk Office School Supply Fundraiser - NOW ON!

By now you should have received home a green sheet with a list of school supplies for your child for next year, as well as some information on how to order supplies via Monks. You can purchase your school supplies anywhere you choose. But if you want a fast, efficient, easy to use option go to <https://bts.monk.ca/>. Click SHOP and enter the PAC Code 393D7D. Then choose your school supply kit for next year. You can order the Basic Package and any additional items from the Optional Items list. A \$5.00 PAC fee is added to each online order. (This is the fundraising portion of this service!). Your child's school supplies will then all be ordered, packaged and delivered directly to your child's classroom the first week of September. No need to spend your sunny summer days shopping for supplies! **The deadline to place your order is July 23.**

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.

- **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)