IMPORTANT DATES:

October 2 - Cross Country (3:30 p.m., Lambrick Park)

October 3 - PAC Parent Information Night, Topic: PISE (7:00 p.m. in the school library)

October 4 - Parent Teacher Interviews (all students dismissed at 11:54 a.m.)

October 5 - Parent Teacher Interviews (all students dismissed at 11:54 a.m.)

October 9 - Thanksgiving Day (school closed)

October 10 - Fire Drill

October 10 - Cross Country (3:30 p.m., Clover Point)

October 16 - Cross Country (3:30 p.m., Lambrick Park)

October 20 - Provincial Professional Development Day (no students in session)

October 23 - Cross Country Finals (1:00 p.m., Beacon Hill Park)

October 27 - Assembly 9:00 a.m. (everyone welcome)

October 27 - Halloween Dance (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., school gym)

October 31 - Black and Orange Day

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Principal's Message

With our first assembly complete we are now into the routine of school life.

Thank you for signing the planner each night.

We are now updating our data base thanks to the return of all the verification forms. Any changes during the year with contact information, health, custody, etc. can be emailed to the school office.

Big smiles were all around with photo day on Monday. Photo samples will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Congratulations on our first Cross Country running team.

Our assembly today focused on recognizing students who completed summer journals and the public library summer reading program as well as those Grade 4 and 5 students who have completed their digital citizenship. We also talked about the Terry Fox, the 1000×5 book collection program and next week's Walk and Wheel to school week.

We welcomed our new teacher, Mr. Markin to Division 2. Welcome back Mrs. Thyrza Blaze, a volunteer reader with the grade 1 classes.

Thank you to all the families for attending extra meetings this week for individual student programming which went smoothly thanks to the organization of case manager and LSS teacher, Mrs. Glover.

Stop short of your drive to school, park and walk! We want to count all of the healthy, active and safe students in our school next week (and every day after that).

See you on Tuesday for the parent information night with our guest speaker from PISE. GREAT FAMILY door prizes for those attending. Come have some fun learning physical literacy for your child! ~Miss Pick

New Crossing Guard

Please welcome our new crossing guard hired by Beacon Community Services for the Cook and Quadra Street intersection. His name is Mr. Anthony Gill

Parent Teacher Interviews

Students will be dismissed at 11:54 a.m. on both Wednesday, October 4th and Thursday, October 5th for Parent Teacher Interviews. If you have not yet signed up to meet with your child's teacher, please visit https://cloverdale.schoolappointments.com/ to sign up for an account and book your 15 minute time slot. All interview times are on a first come, first serve basis. Don't delay! Child minding will be available in the school gym during interviews for anyone needing it.

Winter Coats

Does your child need a new winter coat? If you are living on a lower income or are otherwise experiencing some financial distress, Coats For Kids can provide you with a new or near to new

winter coat. Please reply to areid@sd61.bc.ca with your child's name, age and size. Any information you provide is confidential.

PAC UPDATES:

Walk and Wheel to School

Walk and Wheel to School is from October 2-6. The Getting to School link can be found on our Cloverdale School website. Information for active and safe routes to school can be found on the bulletin board outside the computer lab.

We are hoping that you will pick at least one day next week to walk or bike to school with your child/children.

One of the active routes is the Drive to 5. Drive to 5 is a designated area 5-10 minutes from school where parents can park and walk their children to school, children can walk by themselves or parents and children can walk in groups. The following parks are the designated Drive to 5 parks: Camrose Park, Tolmie Park, Rutledge Park and Jackson Street Park. During the week of Walk and Wheel we are looking for parents that might be interested in volunteering to walk groups from the Drive to 5 locations. If you are please contact Marilyn Kay at mmdowsley@hotmail.com.

Save Around Books

Save Around Books deadline is today, September 29th. If you have forgot to order or return the books please do so ASAP. We will be processing orders and sending home past due notifications on Monday. Thank you for your support.

Have Fun, Be Active, with PISE

Please join us for the October 3, 2017 CTS PAC Parent Information Night (7:00-8:30 p.m.). This fall/winter the Pacific Institute for Sport Excellence (PISE) will be at CTS on Fridays working with teachers and students on developing physical literacy skills. In addition PISE has offered to host a Parent Information Night where you can learn more about this amazing program and how you can support physical literacy at home and school.

Have fun, be active and join us Tuesday October 3, 2017 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

This program is FREE to attend. Complimentary child-minding is in the school library for all parents in attendance. Pre-registration is required for planning purposes.

Please pre-register to attend by Sunday October 1.

Please register to attend via our online registration form at:

https://goo.gl/forms/XlvkuEXI9LStob432 or email cts.pac@vcpac.ca.

DISTRICY AND COMMUNITY UPDATES:

Childhood Stress & Anxiety: Building Resilience

See the attached poster for an exclusive opportunity to attend this free workshop presented and discussed by Julie-Anne Richards, Registered Clinical Counselor and Psycho-educational Consultant. This event is open to the Reynolds family of schools and takes place on Wednesday, October 18 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Braefoot Elementary School.

https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/BraefootPoster.pdf

Victoria Coats for Kids "Coats on the Bus"

Join us on Saturday, October 21st from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. for our annual Coats for Kids "Coats on the Bus" event. Bring a new or nearly-new coat to donate and help us fill up the bus with donations in our efforts to keep every child in need in Victoria warm this winter. See the poster here: https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Coats-on-the-Bus-Event-Poster-2.pdf