

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

September 12 - PAC Business Meeting and Information Night (6:30 p.m. in the school library)  
September 15 - Fire Drill at 11:30 am  
September 18 - Professional Development Day (no students in session)  
September 21 - School BBQ and Welcome Night (5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)  
September 25 - Student Photo Day  
September 25 - Cross Country (3:30 p.m. location TBA)  
September 29 - Full School Assembly (everyone welcome, 9:00 a.m. in the school gym)  
September 29 - Terry Fox Run (2:15 p.m.)

## **SCHOOL UPDATES:**

### *Principal's Message*

Welcome back students, families, and staff. We hope everyone had a restful summer. It is so great to see everyone ready to go, looking all shiny and new! Walking around classrooms I am seeing students ready to work and teachers prepared. I would like to thank all of our teachers for their summer preparations. We look forward to seeing you at the Welcome Back Barbeque and Open House on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Teachers will present their classroom overview and expectations at 5:10 p.m. and repeat their presentation again at 5:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you here and enjoying the Thrifty Foods sponsored hot dog dinner from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Thank you to Mrs. Dawn Martin for organizing.

### *Allergy Letters*

Allergy letters went home to classes on Thursday. Please review which food items should not be sent to your child's class.

### *Plumbers!*

We have already had plumbers here this week due to paper towel, water bottle and a sandwich bag being flushed down the Grade 1 and 2 toilet. We have spoken to the full school about this concern. Please also review with your child.

### *School Supplies*

Half of the School supplies have arrived and have been given to your child's teacher by parent volunteers. Thank you to Ms. Kendra Allen for coordinating the order with Monks Supplies and her parent helpers of Mrs. Dawn Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Evan and Erin McAskile and Mrs. Maureen Andersen, our school office, and teachers for supporting the distribution. More school supplies arriving for Monday. Thank you for your patience.

### *New Classes*

This has been our smoothest start up to date. Thank you parents for helping your child with the transition to a new grade, classmates, and teacher. Our school configuration of 3 Kindergarten classes, 3 Grade 1 classes, 2 Grade 2 classes, 2 Grade 3 classes, a Grade 3 / 4 class, a Grade 4 class, a Grade 4 / 5 class and a Grade 5 class fall within new legislation guidelines for student enrolment numbers and designated students.

### *Drop Off and Pick Up Exits*

Exits have been adjusted slightly: Kindergarten classes will use the door at the back of the school lower floor near gardens; Grade 1 door – north entrance facing the basketball court; Grade 2 door – nearest the north adventure playground; Grade 3's and Grade 3 / 4 classes at the back ramp to the soccer field and Grades 4, 4/5 and 5 at the front door of the school.

### *Portable*

A new portable has been added onto our school site next to the current portable. Please remind your child to be safe and stay away from construction workers, vehicles and equipment. The portables are used for the Cloverdale Out of School Care Society for preschool, daycare and

before and afterschool care. The scheduled date for completion is the end of September. Until then, some of these programs will continue in the school. We thank everyone for their patience as we work together. Stay tuned for updates.

### *Supervision*

We offer supervision on the north school grounds 15 minutes before and after the school day. The areas supervised include the north play structure closest to Thrifty Foods and the basketball court. Supervision begins 8:29 a.m. to 8:44 a.m. and then from 2:52 to 3:07 p.m.

### *Agenda Planners*

We ask for a \$8 donation toward planners this year. All funds go toward the invoice. Shortages come from the school budget. We thank you for your donation.

### *Uniform Checks*

Please check to see that your child is in full uniform each day. If you are unsure of what is expected, the dress code is on page 18 and 19 of the student agenda. Miss Pick and Mrs. Jost have started uniform inspections and a Dress Code Reminder/Infraction will be sent home with students who have an incomplete uniform. We recommend that the crested item be left on your child's hook in the classroom. Please label all uniform clothing items. Our lost and found is located near the gym doors.

### *Swim Club Starts Oct. 10th!*

The swim program will again be run by the Tyee Aquatic Club and is open to students from kindergarten to grade 5. Practices are at Crystal Pool on Tuesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. The program will begin on October 10<sup>th</sup> and run for 10 sessions. The cost is \$80 with payment due by the third practice. The swim club will also be available during terms 2 and 3. Parents are responsible for their children before and after practice at 4:15 p.m. Subsidies are available for those families in need (please contact Mrs. Bird at [mbird@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:mbird@sd61.bc.ca)). We look forward to another fun season! To register, please use the following link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/g9uOBwvwcNzVNdyI2>

Any questions may be directed to the Tyee School Program Administrator, Jennika, at [admin@tyeeaquaticclub.com](mailto:admin@tyeeaquaticclub.com)

### *Active and Safe Travel - Make it Your New School Year Routine!*

Thanks to a terrific return rate last year, we have baseline data on how CTS families come and go to school. We are continuing this program this school year. We would like to recognize and thank the efforts of the Cloverdale PAC for taking this project on as a priority and to Marilyn Kay our parent volunteer who will be coordinating the schools various projects and campaigns. Please email Marilyn Kay (Active Travel Coordinator – PAC) [kaym@camosun.bc.ca](mailto:kaym@camosun.bc.ca) if you need support, or if you can provide support. Stay tuned to more messages and our new safe and active routes to school map. See some more great info here: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Webpage-Template-Cloverdale-Traditional.pdf> . Look at these signs! They are posted at Topaz Park and Rutledge Park. They encourage you to leave your car at these locations and walk the 5 minutes to school. <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Full-page-photo-5.pdf>

## **DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY UPDATES:**

### *Mini Rugby*

Join us Sunday, September 10 and Sunday September 17 for a free Rookie Rugby trial for boys and girls ages 5-11. For more information visit [www.jamesbayrugby.com](http://www.jamesbayrugby.com) or see the poster here: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Rugby-Poster.pdf>

### *Linwood Avenue Sidewalk Project*

The project is now complete! See the letter from the District of Saanich here:

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