

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 20 - Professional Development Day - No students in session
April 23 - Cross Country Race at Clover Point (3:45 p.m.)
April 26 - Strings Festival Performance at Claremont School
April 27 - Assembly - Everyone Welcome (9:00 a.m. in the school gym)
April 27 - PAC Inflatable Fun Night (6:30 p.m. in the school gym)
April 29 - Thrifty Foods Family Fun Run
April 30 - Class and Whole School Photos
April 30 - Cross Country Race at Lambrick Park (3:45 p.m.)
May 1 - Student Placement Request Letters Go Home
May 8 - Strings and Choir Performance at Broadmead Lodge
May 10 - PAC Hanging Basket Pick Up
May 11 - Rugby Jamboree at Gordon Head Middle School
May 12 - Quadra Village Days
May 17 - Grade 5 Transition Day
May 17 - New Kindergarten Orientation Day (10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the school gym)
May 18 - Professional Development Day - No students in session
May 21 - Victoria Day - School closed
May 25 - Assembly - Everyone Welcome (9:00 a.m. in the school gym)
May 26 - Grade 5 Bottle Drive (10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.)

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Principal's Message

Great to see so many of you attending our Student Led Conferences. In preparation for these sessions students become more conscious of the material and expectations within their subject areas as they rehearse key points for their presentation to an important audience, their parents! The concept of having student, parent and teacher together best describes our shared learning triangle and our educational partnership. Students have been so proud to share their learning across the subject areas! Thank you to all the support for the Book Fair! We have recently welcomed Miss Brigitte Millington and Mr. Ryan Gibson, UVIC second year practicum students, to our school. They will spend three weeks in Mrs. Morrell's grade 3 classroom. Teachers are off in many directions tomorrow for Professional Development Day including sessions at UVIC on Science Venture, Mental Health workshop, iPad apps, Aboriginal content in the Social Studies curriculum, in several places around the city. Welcome back Miss Bilach, our custodian! Congratulations to Zymon, London, Leo, Bella W., Charlotte and Bella S. on the completion of their piano lessons sponsored by Heart of the City. Great appreciation to their piano teachers, Hailey Waldhaus, and Melissa Radomski and to Mr. Reid for organizing. Have a good weekend ~Miss Pick

Thrifty Foods Family Fun Run

The Thrifty Foods Family Fun Run takes place on Sunday, April 29th. Join Team Cloverdale for this fun family event. Each participant receives a T-shirt, finisher's medal, and post-race snacks. This is the fourth year that Cloverdale Traditional has entered a team, and we hope to make it our biggest team ever! To register, simply go to the Thrifty Foods Family Fun Run site, click the "Register Now" button and follow the steps (<http://www.tc10k.ca/thrifty-foods-family-run/>). Make sure you select "Island Farms School Team Challenge", and then "Cloverdale Traditional Runners". All runners must be accompanied by an adult. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Petrovic at smpetrovic@sd61.bc.ca

PAC UPDATES:

CTS Bottle Drive - Saturday May 26 (10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.)

It has become a tradition for the Grade 5 students to give a legacy gift to the school as a thank you for many great years as part of the CTS school community. This year, the Grade 5s are having a Bottle Drive to fundraise enough money for their gift, with a goal of raising \$700. Please support them by bringing your refundable empties to the parking lot at the front of the school on Saturday, May 26 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Seeking Parent Volunteer Coordinators!

The CTS PAC is in need of some parent volunteers to take on coordinating some of our annual fundraising events/activities happening both this year and next year. We have lots of resources and supports to help you, and in some cases even a "mentor" to work with you.

If you are willing or interested in helping out or learning more about any of these Coordinator roles please email: cts.pac@vcpac.ca.

We need Coordinators for the following fundraisers/events:

- Year End Dance (June 8, 2018 - Planning begins in May)
- Back to School BBQ (September 2018 - Planning begins end of August/early Sept)

PAC Executive for 2018-2019

We are looking to fill the following positions on our executive for next year: Chair/Co chair, Secretary, Member at Large. To learn about the roles and responsibilities of the positions click on the attached link <https://cloverdale.public.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2013/03/CTS-PAC-Roles-and-Responsibilities.pdf>. If you are interested in any of these positions please send your nominations to starr.munro@gmail.com. We are voting at the AGM on May 1st.

PAC Fun Night

Join us on Friday April 27th for Inflatable Fun Night in the CTS gym at 6:30pm. Come and have fun with other CTS families. All children must be accompanied by a parent.

Seeking Earth Day Parent Volunteer Helpers (Monday, April 23)

CTS will be hosting its first ever Earth Day gardening day on Monday, April 23, 2018 from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. We are looking for parent volunteers to help teacher and students care for and explore the garden beds throughout the day. If you (or a grandparent, neighbour, or friend) have time available on Monday for an hour or two to help out, please sign up for a shift via our online volunteer form at:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EoV_2c6vCrhpXx_3j3xIs8gfBAnPYojCnVqorc6l6Ic/edit?usp=sharing or email starr.munro@gmail.com.

DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY UPDATES:

Cloverdale/Quadra Community Jane's Walk

See the poster for information on this event, taking place on Saturday, May 5th. There is no cost to attend. The walking tour leaves from Cloverdale Traditional School grounds.

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/Cloverdale-Walk-Poster-5-1.pdf>

Parenting Without Power Struggles; Parenting a Preteen

Would you like to feel better prepared for adolescence? Join to learn about what to expect in the teen years, receive support from other parents, boost your confidence as a parent. See the poster for more information.

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/Parenting-Without-Power-Struggles.pdf>

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Workshop for Parents

What is it and what can we do about it? Click the poster for more information.

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/ADHD-poster-2018.pdf>

Internet & Social Media Safety, Digital Literacy, and Workplace Violence Prevention

Cedar Hill Middle School will be hosting a free session with Darren Laur on April 19th for parents and caregivers from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the gym. If you would like to know more about Darren and his presentations please see the link: <https://www.thewhitehatter.ca/>

9th Annual KidsRun Victoria

Sunday, May 6 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Tillicum Centre. See the poster here:

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/KidsRun.pdf>

Kids & Family Reading Report - Canadian Edition

See some great facts about reading aloud here:

http://www.scholastic.ca/readingreport/files/SM_KFRR_Infographics_F_Sec3.pdf