

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

April 9 - Rugby Game at Oaklands (3:00 p.m.)  
April 17-April 19 - Book Fair  
April 18 - Student Led Conferences - All students dismissed at 11:54 a.m.  
April 19 - Student Led Conferences - All students dismissed at 11:54 a.m.  
April 20 - Professional Development Day - No students in session  
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 30 - Class and Whole School Photos

## **SCHOOL UPDATES:**

### *Principal's Message*

Happy Spring! Great to have everyone back into a new season and a new term. There are blooms around the school yard and early signs of vegetables in the raised garden beds. We have already had the following activities re-started: Choir, Rugby, Running Club, Cross Country, Piano lessons, Red Cedar Club and Noisy Reading club. Teachers are opening up new units of study in all subject areas for term 3 as well as continuing to set aside time for printing, handwriting, math facts recall and spelling. Please help your child with all of this at home. Feel free to send any journals kept over the spring break to your child's teacher or myself. We like to acknowledge student effort during holiday breaks. Our school continues to study Vincent Van Gogh as our school wide artist focus this spring. Thank you for reviewing the reminder letters sent home this week on Severe Allergies in your child's class and also the link to sign up for Student Led Conferences. The book fair featuring Russell Books coincides with these conferences and will be held in the library again this year. We are very excited about the Gymnastics unit in the gym for the month of April. All the best for a wonderful spring! ~Miss Pick

### *Did You Lose a Crested Item?*

A brand new long sleeve fleece jacket, size YXS, was found. See Mrs. Jones and name what is in the pocket to claim it!

### *Student Led Conferences*

*If you have not already done so, please book your Student Led Conference by visiting the online booking system. For more information and a link to the online booking system, please see the information on the front page of our website: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/school-spotlight/book-your-student-led-conference-online/>. Childminding will be available for those who need it in the music room. We look forward to seeing you there.*

### *2018-2019 School Calendar*

For a list of calendar dates for the 2018-2019 school year, please see the district calendar here: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/calendars/2017-2018-and-2018-2019-school-calendars-2/>. Scroll to the bottom to see next year's dates. Please note that in addition to this list, our school has chosen Monday, January 21, 2019 as our school specific pro-d day. The school district is also considering one additional pro-d day for Curriculum Implementation, date to be determined. To offer feedback on the proposed calendar, please see the link on the school district page.

### *Gymnastics Unit*

During the month of April our whole school will participate in a gymnastics unit during their regular gym blocks. Students will need to have bare feet and have shorts on underneath dresses and skirts. If your child wears tights to school, they will need to wear shoes while participating in gymnastics. Students not following the safety rules will have a time out on the bench immediately after the first concern. Safety first! We want everyone to be safe and have fun. We would like to thank Mrs. Petrovic, Olivia Petrovic, and Ben and Claudia from PISE for the teacher workshop on Thursday after school.

### *Russell Books Fair - Call for Volunteers*

Our annual Russell Books Fair is fast approaching (Apr 17-19). This popular event is made possible by the fabulous volunteers (both staff and parents/guardians) who sign up each year to help set up, take down and supervise. To help with this year's Fair, please visit this link: <https://goo.gl/3U4bkz> or contact Teacher Librarian Nicole Aerts at [naerts@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:naerts@sd61.bc.ca).

### *Time to Register for Third Term Swim Club!*

Practices will start on Tuesday April 10th and finish on June 12th. The program is run by the Tyee Aquatic Club and is open to students from kindergarten to grade 5 (\$80). Practices are at Crystal Pool on Tuesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Parents are responsible for their children before and after practice at 4:15 p.m. To register, please use the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/nagsMlxuvySslSpS2>. Any questions may be directed to the Tyee School Program Administrator, Jennika, at [admin@tyeeaquaticclub.com](mailto:admin@tyeeaquaticclub.com)

### *Grade 4 Parent Ministry of Education Satisfaction Survey Deadline*

You have until April 27<sup>th</sup> to submit your Satisfaction Survey to the Ministry of Education. A letter containing your anonymous code was sent home with your child prior to spring break. Your opinion on your child's school and education is valuable. Email Miss Pick with any questions about this survey: [rpick@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:rpick@sd61.bc.ca).

### *Thrifty Foods Family Fun Run*

The Thrifty Foods Family Fun Run takes place on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. 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](mailto:smpetrovic@sd61.bc.ca)

### *School Travel Plan*

Our School Travel Plan is ready! In partnership with Active and Safe Routes to School and HASTE, the final draft has been approved. Click here to see the information: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/02/School-Travel-Plan.pdf>

## **PAC UPDATES:**

### *CTS PAC Info Night CANCELLED*

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the PAC Info Night scheduled for Tuesday April 10<sup>th</sup> 2018 has been cancelled.

### *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](mailto:starr.munro@gmail.com). We are voting at the AGM on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY UPDATES:**

### *Free Presentation on Childhood Anxiety*

All parents and educators are welcome to attend the FREE Presentation on Childhood Anxiety: Empowering Strategies-Effective Support & Building Resilience, by Julie-Anne Richards, MA, RCC.

This Presentation is tailored for those caring for children 5 - 11 years old. This engaging and informative Presentation has been held at View Royal, Torquay, Frank Hobbs, Margaret Jenkins, Willows, Braefoot, McKenzie and George Jay (at Vic High).. This presentation will take place on Wednesday, April 18, at Quadra School, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. See the poster for the link to register here: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/QuadraPoster.pdf>

#### *Raising Digitally Responsible Youth*

In partnership with the Ministry of Education, Safer Schools Together and the British Columbia Superintendents Association, the Greater Victoria School District is offering an evening for parents of all school aged children on Raising Digitally Responsible Youth. This event will be held at Reynolds Theatre on May 1<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. See the flyer for more information and the link to register. Seats are limited so please register early to avoid missing out. <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/Parent-Presentation-Flyer-Raising-Digitally-Responsible-Youth.pdf>

#### *Lakehill Spring Soccer – 50% Registration Discount*

New to soccer? Just want to get your foot on the ball and kick it around? See the flyer here for more information and to register. There is a 50% off registration code for Cloverdale Traditional students included. <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/Lakehill-Spring-Soccer-2018.pdf>

#### *1000 x 5*

Click the link to see the poster from the 1000 x 5 program. It is a great reminder of what your book donations help facilitate. The program is currently very low on books for distribution. Please consider donating your gently used books to the pink bin located in the school office. <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/1000x5-newsletter.pdf>

#### *Parenting Courses and Workshops*

1Up, Victoria Single Parent Resource Centre is offering Spring parenting courses and workshops. Please click the link for 1Up's full Spring Schedule (<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/spring-2018-Schedule.pdf>), as well as the flyers for the Understanding Anger (<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/understanding-anger.pdf>) and Building Healthy Boundaries (<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/04/healthy-Boundaries.pdf>) courses. The courses and workshops are open to all parents or caregivers of a child.