

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

June 19 - Strings and Choir Performance - Everyone Welcome (11:00 a.m. in the school gym)  
June 20 - Kindergarten Graduation (1:00 p.m.)  
June 22 - Beach Day at Willows Beach (10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.)  
June 27 - Fun Day (1:00 p.m. on the back field)  
June 28 - Year End Assembly - Everyone Welcome (9:00 a.m. in the school gym)  
June 28 - Last Day of School for the 2017-2018 School Year (Full Uniform Day)  
June 28 - Report Cards Sent Home

## **SCHOOL UPDATES:**

### *Principal Report*

Today we held our Salmon Ceremony and Feast. What a glorious day to be altogether inside feeling the warmth of our school community together and after, to be outdoors on our beautiful grounds, surrounded by our Gary Oak trees. We are so please to have welcomed our special guests, Joseph Thomas, Liz Thomas and their family here to sing, drum and dance with all of us. Today was a celebration to honour the Grade 5 students, our Aboriginal students and everyone who helped make our year so special. With the guidance and support of the Thomas family, this week our Grade 5 students and our Aboriginal students have been preparing their songs, dances and drumming. The students learned even more than coming the beat and dance steps; they learned even more than joining together in paddling one canoe. Mr. Thomas brought to their attention their upbringing so far, their families and their schooling. Today we celebrated each one of the learners in our school as they move along the stream to the next grade. That is why this year we called our event the Salmon Feast of Transition. It honours the salmon which uses all its skills to navigate the river. Like the salmon, each of our students use all of their skills to move from Grade to Grade in school. Students are using their tools along the way for navigation; for creativity; for problem solving and information seeking to head upstream; they are adaptable and persistent. Just like the salmon who uses its understandings of the river to move forward, students are using their understanding as they move from elementary school to middle school to high school. I'm delighted to have been a part of our seventh Feast and thank those before us who began this tradition. Aboriginal Assistant, Mr. Kenneth Kissinger, is the event coordinator today and we thank him for all that he has done to bring us together today. ~ Miss Pick

### *Jump Rope for Heart*

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Jump Rope for Heart skipping last Friday afternoon. Despite the drizzly weather, a fun time was had by all. Congratulations to all that helped fundraise. Cloverdale Traditional students raised a total of \$4654.60. Great job!

### *Red Cedar Club*

On June 3 some of our Red Cedar Book Club members traveled to Vancouver to attend the Red Cedar Awards Gala. Over the past few months all of these students read at least five books from the shortlist of Red Cedar nominees; they were then eligible to vote for their favourite book. Votes from students across BC were tallied and then the winning author from each category (fiction and non-fiction) was announced at the Gala. We all enjoyed ourselves immensely as we took part in author discussion panels, book signings and free book prize draws and are already looking forward to next year. To see next year's nominees click the following links: Fiction Nominees: <https://goo.gl/zxPSMj> Non-Fiction Nominees: <https://goo.gl/gWfqhi>. See a photo of the trip here: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/06/Red-Cedar-1.pdf>. See another photo from the trip here: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/06/Red-Cedar-2.pdf>

## **PAC UPDATES:**

### *School Supplies for 2018-2019*

A bright green note came home with students this week with all the information required to order your school supplies for next year. If you did not receive it, please go to our website for the information. <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2018/06/Monks-2018-2019-School-Supply-Fundraiser.pdf>. When ordering, if you do not receive your confirmation email, please check your junk mail folder.

### *New CTS PAC Email Address*

We have been having some server difficulties with the existing PAC email address, so we have switched things up and created a new Gmail email address for the PAC Executive. Please update your contact lists and make note that the new email address for the CTS PAC is [cts.parents@gmail.com](mailto:cts.parents@gmail.com). When you send an email to this account, one of the current CTS PAC Executive members will respond to you.

### *PAC Chair Needed*

Just a reminder that we are still in **need** of a Chair or Co-Chair to join the PAC Executive. If you are interested in learning more about what is involved please email us at [cts.parents@gmail.com](mailto:cts.parents@gmail.com) and be sure to attend the first PAC meeting of September in the new school year.

### *Coordinators Needed*

We are looking for parents to take on a coordinator role for the following:

1. Back to school BBQ (third week of September)
2. Lice check committee (we need a group of 3-6 parents to do lice checks once a month during school hours).

Please email the CTS PAC if interested.

Gardening Committee Volunteers - If you are interested or available to help out with maintaining the CTS gardens over the summer please contact Starr Munro at [Starr.munro@gmail.com](mailto:Starr.munro@gmail.com).

## **DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY UPDATES:**

### *Greater Victoria Public Library Summer Reading Program*

Enjoy some Motion Commotion with the Greater Victoria Public Library's BC Summer Reading Club. In this free, self-paced reading program, your child will track their weekly reading and earn prizes along the way, including stickers, a pizza coupon and a recreation pass. To register, pick up a free reading record from any public library branch starting June 28. The library also offers more than 300 free programs for kids throughout the summer. Go to [gvpl.ca](http://gvpl.ca) for more information.