# Cloverdale Traditional School Weekly News

### **1 WEEK LOOK AHEAD:**

For a further look ahead, please browse the calendar section of our website here: <a href="https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/calendar/">https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/calendar/</a>

## **SCHOOL UPDATES:**

#### Principal's Message

In the context of the recent tragedy in the Tk'emlúps te Secwépmec Nation (Kamloops Indian Residential School) many schools, educators, students and parent organizations are stepping up with acts of support for those dealing with this significant event. One of our own Cloverdale families would like to help us show our support by providing orange ribbons to the school. We are hopeful that we can continue to wear orange in order to show how much we care. Symbolic acts can be powerful tools of teaching and learning when that symbol represents an important change and leads to further action. The symbols and symbolic acts that we see around us (orange shirts, flags at half-mast, planting trees, painting murals ...) can represent mourning, hope for healing, and solidarity, amongst other things. These ribbons will be available to anyone who would like one, by bringing a small donation to the school. This fundraising activity will support the survivors of residential schools, through the **Indian Residential School Survivors Society**, an entirely Indigenous run organization, directly supporting the healing and recovery of survivors through culturally-based values and practices. See a photo of the ribbon here:



These past weeks have been busy and challenging, but full of learning at *Cloverdale Traditional School*. The conversations that have taken place over the last weeks, have once again proven how caring and compassionate our community truly is.

#### Freezer Wanted

We are on the look out for a small chest freezer for the school. If anyone wishes to donate one or knows of someone looking to get rid of one and would like to donate it please contact the office.