

Cloverdale Traditional School

Bi-Weekly News

2 WEEK LOOK AHEAD:

September 15 – Virtual Meet the Teacher Night
September 17 – Fire Drill 9:30 a.m.
September 24 – Terry Fox Run (No spectators due to COVID)

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

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Principal's Message

We have had an exciting first few days as we meet and greet new friends and get reacquainted with classmates from previous years. Our transitions have been smooth and our students continue to live up to *Cloverdale's* high standards of citizenship, respect and responsibility. We have begun another school year, full of outstanding potential. We have been saying hello to returning families and welcoming all the new families to our community.

Cloverdale Traditional School has new staff to introduce:

Ms. Jennifer Ripley is our new Speech and Language Pathologist

Ms. Kimberley Collis is our new District Educational Assistant

Mr. D.J. Lohead is our new Grade Five Strings Teacher

A warm welcome to these new folks.

One staff member to say goodbye to:

Ms. Breanne Glover, our Learning Support Teacher is leaving us to work with the District in a Literacy position. She will be missed!

We would like to extend thanks to the Ozturk family who donated a small chest freezer to the school in the early summer, when we reached out to our community with this request.

Given that students in grades 4 and 5 are required to wear masks while indoors, we would like to request a 'spare' be brought to school in a small baggie to be kept in desks in case of lost or forgotten masks.

Meet the Teacher Night - Virtual

Although we are not having gatherings, we will be hosting *Meet the Teacher* as we did last fall, via Zoom. Each teacher will create zoom links for a specific time on September 15. Parents can log into Zoom to listen and ask questions of their students' teacher. We found this to be very successful and hope you will take this opportunity spend a few minutes with our fabulous teachers. Watch your email for the links early next week.

Parent Parking and Drop off/Pick Up

We ask that when parents are dropping off and picking up that they do not park in the staff parking lot behind staff cars. Our staff all come and go at different times and it is a problem when they cannot get in our out. The staff parking lot is off limits for parents.

Parent parking is allowed in the pickup/drop off lane provided you can pull over to the side and not block the flow of those who are driving through. Parking is also behind the school on Linwood or on side streets surrounding the school area. Please do not park at Thrifty Foods as there is a possibility that you may be towed.

PAC UPDATES:

Welcome!

To all those families who are new to CTS and to all those returning families, welcome on behalf of the CTS Parents Advisory Council (PAC) to a new school year!

All parents and guardians of the students at CTS are members of the school's PAC.

The PAC plays a vital role in enhancing the educational experiences that your child will enjoy while attending our school. Each year parent volunteers coordinate a number of fun social events and fundraising activities, as well as supporting learning activities (*sports equipment like the Gaga Ball Pit, fine arts, home reading programs, outdoor education etc.*) at CTS.

Each year the PAC nominates and votes in a small group of individuals that make up the PAC Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is here to represent the thoughts and ideas of the parent body. The Executive Committee is composed of a Chair or Co-Chair, a Treasurer, a Secretary and multiple Members-at-Large. You can contact the CTS PAC Executive anytime via email at cts.parents@gmail.com.

First PAC Meeting (Virtual) – Tuesday September 21, 2021

We invite you to join us at the first PAC meeting of the school year, on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 from 7-9pm. This meeting will be held virtually. Please look for the link to the meeting closer to the date. This is a great meeting to attend to learn more about our school, to meet other parents and to find out about the different events and fundraisers taking place throughout the year. Please note, all PAC Meetings for this school year will be taking place virtually until further notice.

We are looking forward to another great year at CTS. Please be sure to come out and join us at tomorrow's PAC meeting, stay tuned for more information coming home to you from the PAC via weekly emails and be sure to get involved!