

Cloverdale Traditional School

Bi-Weekly News

2 WEEK LOOK AHEAD:

January 17 – Spellathon Test
January 24 – Spellathon Pledges Due Back
January 24 – 28 – Kindergarten Registration & Transfer Week
January 28 – Non-Instructional Day – No Students in Session

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 are happy to see everyone back at school after all our preparations last week. Thank you to staff for their hard work and to families for their patience as we move into some new ways of being in school. Part of these preparations include being ready should we face a school closure. To this end, we are encouraging families to visit the *Parent Connect* site and give permission for 'Zoom'. This will allow teachers to connect and communicate with students during a closure. Not sure how to access Parent Connect? See below for instructions

The children are happy to be back after their break, and we are excited to hear about their snowy adventures. As the weather is very wet, please remember appropriate outdoor clothing is imperative, as students go out most days for some fresh air and exercise.

Please remember it is very important to call or email the school if you are keeping your child home, indicating the reason. The daily health checklists have been updated for family use. Please keep children home if they are ill.

We have had a few families request the link for the winter concert, having had difficulties viewing it over the break. It is not something we can send individually, but we have created a new, unlisted link that **Cloverdale** families may have access to for this weekend only. It will expire early Monday. Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/j71Brsx7Nas>

We look forward to a fabulous second term.

Stay safe and healthy everyone!

Help please!

We are looking for wood 'stumps' for an outdoor seating area in the nature playground. We would like 15 or so, that are approximately 2 feet in diameter and 3 feet tall. The stumps must be at least this tall in order that they can be placed **in** the ground for safety purposes (they cannot sit on top of the ground). Cedar is a top choice. If you know where we may acquire something like this, we would love to hear from you.

Parent Connect

If you have already signed up for an account and just need to access Parent Connect, click here:

<https://parentconnect.sd61.bc.ca/Identity/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2F>

If you have not yet signed up click here for instructions and link:

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/parent-student-resources/parent-connect/>

If you are unable to access Parent Connect please call the office or reply to this email for help.

Kindergarten Registration & Transfer Week

January 24 – January 28 is the district wide Kindergarten registration week. Any children born in 2017 who will be starting Kindergarten in September 2022 needs to be registered this week. All registration is done online through the link on our webpage or the school district webpage. If you also do not wish for your Kindergarten child to attend their catchment school this is also when

you need to apply for transfer. A reminder that if you have an older sibling in our school who was registered here when we were a Traditional school and will still attend here in the year 2022, your younger child is eligible for enrolment priority 3.5 which grants them a space in our school. If you are unsure about how this works or if you need more information please contact our school office at 250.382.7231.

Spellathon

A reminder that all students will participate in the Spellathon on Monday, January 17. If your child collected pledges for the Spellathon, all monies are due back to the school by Monday, January 24 and can be paid by cash or cheque made payable to Cloverdale Traditional School.

Late French Immersion Information Night

Parents and guardians of current grade 5 students are invited to an information night to learn more about the District's Late French Immersion program. The virtual information session will take place on zoom on Wednesday January 19, 2022 at 7pm. Please click on the zoom link to join the session:

<https://gvsd61.zoom.us/j/67260811485?pwd=anRHZnB1NFV4UVhFazM0c3pCa1hHdz09>

Alternatively, if you are unable to join the session, and are interested in more information regarding the District's Late French Immersion program, visit the District's Late French Immersion registration page [HERE](#). Registration for Late French Immersion occurs during the week of January 24-28th, 2022.

DISTRICT & COMMUNITY UPDATES:

Mental Health and Wellness Snapshot – Parenting in the Digital Age

See the link here for the monthly Health & Wellness Snapshot from the school district. This month the topic is Parenting in the Digital Age.

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