

# Cloverdale Traditional School

## Bi-Weekly News

### 2 WEEK LOOK AHEAD:

February 11 – PAC Hanging Basket Order Forms Sent Home  
February 17 – St. Patrick's Day – Wear Green and Cloverdale Spirit Wear  
February 18 – Yellow and Blue Day  
February 18 – Term 2 Report Cards Sent Home  
February 18 – Last Day before Spring Break – Have a Great break!  
April 4 – School Returns from Spring Break – Welcome Back!  
April 4 – PAC Hanging Basket Orders Due – No later orders accepted

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*

Hello and happy Friday to our wonderful **Cloverdale** community.

We have had some beautiful spring days recently, which students and staff alike have been enjoying, as we spend time outdoors daily. A few have been windy and chilly, therefore it is always important to remember appropriate clothing.

Thank you to our diligent staff who have been working hard to create informative reports for students. These will be coming home next week. Please remember, these are a snapshot of your child's progress at a very specific point in time. The growth we see in students happens at varying times, in varying rates, and in different ways. A reminder that the contents of the envelopes are yours to keep, but we require you to return the envelope with a signature, indicating you have received the report. I truly appreciate the dedication of staff and the support of families as we continue focusing on literacy and numeracy skills for students. This has been a busy and productive learning term.

Students at **Cloverdale Traditional School** have shown they always have the ability to put their best foot forward. The students work hard, attend respectfully, and are always kind and considerate. Have a fabulous, restful break everyone. Enjoy some down time with family.

#### *April Conferencing*

Given the ever changing protocols and procedures regarding visitors and school capacity, classroom teachers have been investigating different ways for students to share their learning during the April 'conferencing/informal reporting' time. There will be no early dismissal or time away from school for this. Teachers at each grade group have formulated creative plans in order that students can 'show you what they know'. Shortly after the break you will hear from your classroom teacher(s) about their plans for this process.

#### *Spirit Wear & Green Day*

On Thursday, March 17 we are encouraging all staff and students to dress in green and wear their Cloverdale Spirit Wear in honour of St. Patrick's Day.

#### *Yellow and Blue Day*

A student at Lansdowne Middle School is organizing a Yellow and Blue Day on March 18 in support of the Ukrainian Community in SD61 and the world. Staff and students are invited to participate by wearing yellow and blue this day if they would like to.

### *Kindness Month Wrap Up*

Congratulations and thank you to our very generous Cloverdale Community. Our giving drive surpassed our goals in all three areas. As a school community, you donated 430 pairs of socks, 277 toothbrushes, 55 tubes of toothpaste, 130 packages of dental floss, and 319 food items. We will be distributing these donations to the needy families in our community this week. Thank you all for your thoughtfulness and generosity!

### **PAC UPDATES:**

#### *Hanging Basket Fundraiser*

We are excited to announce our Spring Hanging Baskets & Potted Mixed Plants fundraiser. Great for Mother's Day gifts and for incorporating some spring and summer plants into your outdoor space. Taking into account the feedback from last year's spring fundraiser we have decided to use a different supplier for our hanging baskets and potted plants this year. We are offering 22 varieties of baskets and planters available for purchase! These include shade, sun and mixed shade/sun plants. The selection of offerings also includes various vegetable planters. All plants are ordered through Hilltop Greenhouse, who is the supplier we use for our Winter Poinsettia Fundraiser. Order forms come home with students today and are due back Monday, April 4. No late orders will be accepted. Pick up of orders will be Tuesday, May 3 at the school. More info is included on the order forms. Thanks for supporting the CTS PAC.

### **DISTRICT & COMMUNITY UPDATES:**

#### *Proposed 2022/2023 School Year Calendar*

The Greater Victoria School District welcomes student, staff and families' feedback on the proposed calendar for the 2022/23 school year.

The District school calendar highlights non-instructional days, vacation breaks, school openings and last day of classes. The proposed calendar for the upcoming school year puts forward the following for consideration:

- First day of classes on Tuesday, September 6, 2022
- Last day of classes before Winter Break – Friday, December 16, 2022
- Schools re-open after Winter Break – Tuesday, January 3, 2023
- Last day of classes before Spring Break – Friday, March 17, 2023
- Schools re-open after Spring Break – Monday, April 3, 2023
- Last day of classes for students on Thursday, June 29, 2023

To view the full proposed calendar visit: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/calendars/proposed-2023-2023-school-calendar/>

The Greater Victoria School District has collaborated with neighbouring districts in Saanich (School District #63) and Sooke (School District #62) to align calendar dates, including spring and winter breaks, as much as possible.

All feedback can be directed to Communications & Community Engagement, by email: [community@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:community@sd61.bc.ca)

The deadline for feedback is on Wednesday, March 30, 2022, at 4 pm. The calendar will be finalized and posted on the District website in April 2022.

#### *March Mental Health and Wellness Snapshot*

This month's topic is Building Healthy Habits. Click here for more info:

[https://src.campayn.com/stakmails/web\\_version/7f4f37a61e83dde99b1dcdb5265906118a30d1c0273fc5102bb3a144e2c7c7ae/Stakmail/270295/0/shared/0](https://src.campayn.com/stakmails/web_version/7f4f37a61e83dde99b1dcdb5265906118a30d1c0273fc5102bb3a144e2c7c7ae/Stakmail/270295/0/shared/0)

#### *Free Online Glee Student Opportunity*

See the link for a free opportunity for grade 1-5 children who are interested in pop vocal//dance. <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2022/02/March-31st-p.pdf>