

Cloverdale Traditional School

Bi-Weekly News

2 WEEK LOOK AHEAD:

- May 9 – Yearbook Orders Due (no late orders accepted)
- May 10 – Running Club 12:00 – 12:30 (all grades welcome)
- May 12 – Skipping Club 12:00 – 12:30 (grades K-3)
- May 13 – Rugby Jamboree – Good Luck CTS Rugby Team!
- May 16 – 19 – Rainbow Week (see below for more details)
- May 16 – Class Placement Emails Due (cloverdale@sd61.bc.ca, submission is optional)
- May 17 – Running Club 12:00 – 12:30 (all grades welcome)
- May 18 – Skipathon Pledge Sheets Go Home
- May 19 – Welcome to Kindergarten Event (9:30 – 11:30 on the blacktop for Kindergarten students starting school in September 2022)
- May 19 – District Transition Afternoon for Grade 5 Students (more info to come)
- May 19 – Skipping Club 12:00 – 12:30 (grade K-3)
- May 20 – 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

Welcome to May! The weather continues to be changeable, so remember appropriate clothing, as we head outdoors every day.

The school has been an exciting place in recent weeks, as we begin to host activities, clubs and sports!

- We are encouraging grades 3, 4 and 5 students to run track with the **Cloverdale** team. Students who choose to commit will run at least one event at the zone track meet, and some will run two. All may participate, but heats for the meet are assigned based on speed, so that all students are set up for success.
- Our school has started a rainbow club to celebrate the beautiful diversity of our community. The rainbow club is meeting Wednesdays at lunch, and is a safe and supportive space for young people of all identities to celebrate, connect, learn, and grow. Our first few meetings have been designing posters promoting our school's rainbow week coming up in May when students will be encouraged to wear their brightest colours.
- We also have a rugby team, made up of grade 4 and 5 students. Those who have chosen to participate, are learning some new skills and having fun with coach Marlie. These students will travel to Gordon Head Middle School to participate in an all school jamboree!

We have also seen the growth of several new babies over recent weeks. A grade 1 class has hatched 9 chicks, and we have seen salmon developing in Divisions 6, 10, and 11. These wonderful opportunities are supported by the PAC, with financing things like the bus to Goldstream to release these salmon. Thank you parents! So many wonderful learning opportunities are supported by our staff and fabulous parent group.

SD61 celebrates Rainbow Week on May 16-19. At **Cloverdale**, we honour diversity, and welcome all, to our caring and inclusive community. Our focus will be on family diversity, as well as gender expression and non-conformity. The rainbow is a symbol of hope for a better future. Activities might include: reading and telling stories, inviting students to highlight their uniqueness by dressing in their favourite colours, art projects, and the distribution of rainbow stickers. Rainbow week is a time for us to recognize and celebrate our differences.

We will have theme colours each of the four days that week:

Monday, 16th: Red & Orange

Tuesday 17th: Yellow & Green

Wednesday 18th: Blue & Purple

Thursday 19th: Rainbow!

Check out this resource list to see some of the books and other resources that may be used in our classrooms or are available to our students in our library.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1skEOM7L_hVeVSNERV0mQOMN68YOj2qux0_rHajZa0zA/edit?usp=sharing



DISTRICT & COMMUNITY UPDATES:

District Mental Health and Wellness Snapshot

This month's topic is Guiding Your Children Through School Transitions. For more info, see the link here:

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1000 x 5

Thanks to you, 1000 x 5 has sent over 270,000 books into homes of babies and preschoolers who have few books. 27 agencies in over 60 programs distribute 3 books in a bag to 8000-1000 children every month! Including the summer. Please help us fill the shelves so more children can climb onto a lap and hear a good story. Please drop your gently used books to the pink bin in the office.