Cloverdale Traditional School Bi-Weekly News

JANUARY LOOK AHEAD:

January 23 – 27 – Kindergarten Registration (for children born in 2018) January 26 – January Assembly 9:00 a.m. – Everyone Welcome (in the school gym) January 26 – Readathon Pledges Due January 27 – 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/news-events/calendar/

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Vice-Principal's Message

What a terrific place to learn, grow and play and do our work. If you know someone who is starting Kindergarten in September, registration is open on our district website on Monday. We wish to extend a huge thank you to our Grade 5 student and parent volunteers who helped with our annual Grade 5 Bottle Drive held last Sunday. We are grateful to the Cloverdale School community for their generous donations. We raised 760.00! Special thanks to Mrs. Kheari and Ms. Au for their enthusiasm and hard work in organizing this event. All funds go towards a Legacy Gift to the school.

Sunday is the beginning of the Lunar New Year celebrations. Also known as the Spring Festival, it is the most celebrated of all Asian festivals. Lunar New Year is also observed by millions of people around the world. Happy New Year to all of those who celebrate.

Next week is Literacy Week. The school will be busy with a variety of literacy activities. The highlight being the school Read-A-thon. Pledges and donations are already coming in. We look forward to celebrating with a whole school reading event Thursday. Happy Reading Everyone! Finally, thank you to our all staff for all that they do to provide amazing opportunities for our students, and to our families for all that they do to support our students and our school. There is much to so celebrate!

Literacy Week

During the week of January 23 to 26, Cloverdale will be hosting a Literacy Week. All week students will be celebrating literacy and the joy of reading, writing, listening, and learning. On Thursday the 26th, all students will participate in a Readathon in the gym; students are invited to wear pjs or cozy reading clothes for this whole-school activity.

Families are encouraged to explore literacy at home and are asked to please return their Readathon pledge sheets and donations before the 26th.

CTS PAC UPDATES:

Upcoming PAC Meeting Please join the next PAC meeting on Tuesday, January 31, 2023 7-9 pm

Join on your computer or mobile app <u>Click here to join the meeting</u>

DISTRICT & COMMUNITY UPDATES:

National Literacy Day

Do you know that reading books to babies and preschoolers is the most significant indicator of early school success? Cuddling and reading to your little ones shows that you value reading, builds comfort, enjoyment and early skills that last a lifetime.

Help make that true for those still to gain those habits. January 27 is National Literacy Day. As well as enjoying a new story with your child, please make an extra effort to drop of gently used picture books for babies and preschoolers in the drop box in the school office. All very young children benefit from being read to – help make that a reality for more. Thank you for being part of the 285,000 books donated over the last 12 years.

Coldest Night of the Year Walk-a-thon (<u>www.ourplacesociety.com</u>)

It's that time of year again – the Coldest Night of the Year Walk-a-thon is quickly coming up. CNOY is a national event that raises awareness and money for people experiencing homelessness, hurt and hunger. Once again, Our Place Society and Pacific Centre Family Services Association have teamed up for the charity 2- and 5-km walks on Saturday, February 25, taking place in two locations - downtown Victoria and on the Westshore. The walk is a great way to open a conversation among our youth about an issue that is so very prevalent in our communities. See the posters for more info.

Victoria: <u>https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2023/01/CNOY-Victoria-</u> Poster.pdf

Westshore: <u>https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2023/01/CNOY-</u> WestShore-poster.pdf