

Cloverdale Traditional School

Bi-Weekly News

CALENDAR LOOK AHEAD:

September 22 – Non-Instructional Day (No Students in Session)
September 25 – Terry Fox Run 1:30 p.m. (Toonies for Terry)
September 26 – Cross Country Race 3:45 p.m. at Beckwith Park
September 29 – Orange Shirt Day at Cloverdale
September 29 – September Assembly 1:00 p.m. in the Gym (Everyone Welcome)
October 2 – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Observed (School Closed)
October 3 – Cross Country Race 3:45 p.m. at Lambrick Park

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

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Toonies for Terry

On Monday September 25 our students will participate in our annual Terry Fox run. We will be fundraising all week by asking students to bring a toonie to school for "Toonies for Terry". Please consider sending a donation with your student next week. Donations are not required, they are voluntary. All students will participate in our Terry Fox run, whether they bring a donation or not. Want to donate online? Use the link here: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/33372>
We would like to recognize a small parent led group of grade 3 and 4 children who ran in a community Terry Fox run this past weekend. Together they raised \$1885 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Congratulations to Greyson, Carter, Torben, and Lucas for your hard work!

Online School Spirit Wear

Final reminder that the deadline to purchase Cloverdale spirit wear is September 24 at midnight. Follow the link here to see what is being offered <https://cloverdalefall2023.itemorder.com>. We will not offer another school store until next September so don't miss out on ordering!

Orange Shirt Day

Since we will not be in session on September 30 we will be participating in a school wide orange shirt day on Friday, September 29. Please consider sending your child to school in an orange shirt this day to recognize and raise awareness about the history and legacies of the residential school system in Canada.

Community Values Coupon Book Fundraiser

Watch for books and information to come home next week!

Safe Arrival Program

If your child will be absent from school or will arrive late it is important to notify the school office. Each day the office goes through the daily attendance and phones home for any child that is not in school and we have not have a phone call or email from a parent to excuse. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify the school if your child is away or will be late. We rely on our safe arrival program to ensure that no one got lost or injured on their way to school. Each call we have to make can slow us down from reaching a parent of a child that is potentially in an unsafe situation. Please do your part! You can call the dedicated safe arrival phone number at 250-361-3706. This is a voicemail only phone line that you can leave a message on any day of the week or any time of day. Alternatively you can also email cloverdalesafearrival@sd61.bc.ca and inform us of an absence or late arrival. Often telling the classroom teacher is not helpful as

they may be away the day your child isn't here and then the information is not passed on. The office has the ability to enter an absence ahead of the day or in a block of days for those away for an extended period. Teachers are not able to do this.

Meet our Youth & Family Counsellor

Emily Stark is a Youth and Family Counsellor at our school who comes to us with fourteen years of experience in the field. She spent ten years working for the Esquimalt Family of schools, predominantly at Victoria West Elementary but also part time at Esquimalt High and Rockheights middle school. She has also worked at Cedar Hill Middle School.

Emily's role is to provide one to one counselling, resource referral as well as be a liaison between school staff, parents and community agencies as an advocate for children and youth.

She has a background working for the Queen Alexandra Center for Children's Health Early Autism Program.

She is a great resource if you are looking for support with food security, outside agency supports, or other.

No question is a silly question. Please feel free to drop by her office and introduce yourself.

Emily is in her office Monday through Thursday.

From the Library

Please donate any clean recyclables to the bins outside the library. This can be smaller plastic bottles, cardboard, toilet rolls, or small plastic containers for our students to use building creations this month. The Fall Book Fair is taking place from October 16-19. Please email Tracey if you would like to volunteer! twilliams@sd61.bc.ca

CTS PAC UPDATES:

What to stay up-to-date with the CTS PAC? You can do so by following their Facebook page here:

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/164562303571785/?hoisted_section_header_type=recently_s
een&multi_permalinks=6563257810368837](https://www.facebook.com/groups/164562303571785/?hoisted_section_header_type=recently_seen&multi_permalinks=6563257810368837)

DISTRICT & COMMUNITY UPDATES:

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