

CONTEST ALERT

Each week read the newsletters carefully to find the hidden contest word of the week. Reply to the newsletter, indicating the contest word and your child's name for an entry into a draw to win fun lunch for your child for February, March, April, May and June. The more weeks you find the word, the more entries you get into the draw. Draw will take place in mid-January.

Cloverdale Traditional School Bi-Weekly News

CALENDAR LOOK AHEAD:

November 20 – Non-Instructional Day (No Students in Session)
November 23 – Floor Hockey for Grade 4 & 5 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. in the Gym
November 24 – Fun Lunch (Subway) for Those Who Pre-Ordered
November 29 – November Assembly (1:00 p.m. in the Gym – Everyone Welcome)
November 30 – Floor Hockey for Grade 4 & 5 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. in the Gym

For a further look ahead, please browse the calendar section of our website here:

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/calendar/>

SCHOOL UPDATES:

Principal's Message

Cloverdale continues to be an outstanding place for students to do their learning because of the many partnerships we enjoy. Parents, relatives, community members and groups support the great work being done at Cloverdale in so many ways. It is my privilege and pleasure to work with such an amazing community of people. Thank you!

Coat Swap: As the weather gets colder we are accepting donations of clean coats and jackets. Please bring them to the office or hang them directly on the clothing rack. If you need a coat or jacket, please help yourself from the rack. We all know how quickly children grow and this allows us to swap and exchange in the spirit of supporting one another during this time of growing inflation. We have set the rack up outside the main gym doors, and will have access for parents immediately before school in the morning. We will unlock the outside doors for people to enter.

Report cards will be available to families via parent connect on December 22. All reporting has been shifted to the online platform of CSL (communicating Student Learning), and can be accessed by signing in to Parent Connect using your personal login. Our staff and students are working hard in classrooms and are engaged in some innovative and interesting lessons covering every aspect of curriculum. Thank you to the dedicated work and efforts of all to ensure that our students have the best educational experience possible during their time at CTS.

Please see the attached snow removal plan. Should we have snow, please take note of the safest places to walk to the school building, as these will be the areas kept as clear as possible for access. Snow removal plan: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2023/11/Cloverdale-Snow-Removal-Map-2.pdf>

We would like to thank all those who participated in and helped with our wonderful Remembrance Day ceremony. As you know, all students were given a poppy to wear for that event, which should have come home with the child.

Toys at School

We have noticed a sudden increase in toys, Pokeman cards, and stuffed animals coming to school. These items usually become the source of conflict and/or upset because they get damaged, lost or "borrowed" by others. Please support our efforts by reinforcing the "No toys at school" rule and checking your child's backpack to ensure these items remain at home

Macrame Supplies Needed

We are looking for donations of cotton macramé cord of approximately 3mm in width for our crafting club. If you have any supplies to donate please drop them off in the school office.

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_sen&multi_permalinks=6563257810368837

DISTRICT & COMMUNITY UPDATES:

Mental Health Resource Night for Parents and Caregivers

The Greater Victoria School District is inviting parents to an evening of resources and connection with local mental health and wellness services. See the poster here for more info:

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2023/11/Mental-Health-Resource-Night-2023.pdf>

Victoria Hospice Media Release

This week's contest word is: cold. Please see the media release regarding Victoria Hospice here:

<https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2023/11/Media-Release-Message-from-SD61-Board-of-Education-002.pdf>

BC Training and Education Savings Program Grant

In support of Education Savings Week 2023 (November 14-18), The Greater Victoria School District is sharing the following letter with families of students in Kindergarten through Grade 4 to advise that your child may be eligible for a \$1200 BC Training and Education Savings Grant for their post-secondary education. <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2023/11/bctesp-k-4-letternov-2023.pdf>

Climate Action Plan

Please see the district medial release here: <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2023/11/Media-Release-Climate-Action.pdf>