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MAY 2018

Dear Parent and Guardians:

In the next few weeks we will start our preliminary planning for the organization of classes for next year. Parent/Guardian input is appreciated and will be considered by our staff when assigning students to classes. Forms are now available from the office for parents wishing to provide us with input prior to student placement into classes. Please note that this is not a request for a teacher. The information provided on the forms will be shared with the grade-appropriate teachers. If you have any concerns about your child's placement, please arrange a meeting directly with the Principal. Our School-Based Team, including teachers, the Learning Assistance and Integration Support Teachers and the school administration, will develop tentative class lists at the end of June 2018. We will review these lists early in September 2018 before school opening. Sometimes due to an enrolment increase and/or decrease we have had to reorganize classes at the last minute. The lists will remain confidential until we are ready to move students to their new classes in the first week of school.

Respectfully,
Ms. Erika Moser



Moving? If you are moving please let the school know. asap Thank you!

Date	Events
May 4 th	NID – No School for Students
May 8 th	Kindergarten Orientation
May 9 th -16 th	Scholastic Book Fair
May 9 th	Popcorn Day
May 16 th	LEPAC General Meeting
May 17 th	Parent Appreciation 8:00 am – 8:45 am
May 17 th	Author Visit – Nikki Tate – Grade 4 & 5s
May 21 st	Victoria Day
May 23 rd – May 25 th	Camp Thunderbird and Camp Lochside
June 1 st	Grade 4/5 – Constable Riley: Digital Citizenship
June 12 th – 13 th	Science Venture
June 14 th	District Elementary School Track Meet at UVIC
June 21 st	Lochside Fun Morning – 9:00 am – 11:00 am
June 21 st and 22 nd	Talent Show Afternoon
June 22 nd	LEPAC Year End BBQ – 5:30 pm
June 26 th	Service Assembly and Grade Five Luncheon
June 27 th	Grade 4/5 Swim
June 28 th	Last Day of School Year



At **LOCHSIDE SCHOOL**, we are working together to help develop our student's digital citizenship skills. As part of this process, we are embedding these skills into our Lochside Belief Statements.

TAKE CARE OF OURSELVES BY:

- Being responsible for your learning
- Being active
- Making healthy choices
- Playing safely

TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER BY:

- Being polite, helpful and cooperative
- Being friendly and respectful of others
- Solving problems in peaceful ways

TAKE CARE OF THIS PLACE BY:

- Respecting our environment
- Treating our school with care
- Reducing, recycling and re-using

RESPECT YOURSELF	PROTECT YOURSELF
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I will respect myself through my actions. • I will ensure the privacy of my own information. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I will not post information that will put me at risk. • I will report any attacks or inappropriate behaviour directed at me. • I will protect my passwords, accounts and resources.
RESPECT OTHERS	PROTECT OTHERS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I will show respect for others. • I will not use electronic media to insult, bully, harass or stalk other people. • I will not visit sites that are degrading, pornographic, racists or inappropriate. • I will not access other people's personal spaces or areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I will protect others by reporting abuse and not forwarding inappropriate communications or materials.
RESPECT PROPERTY	PROTECT PROPERTY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I will use Board technological property only for legal activities. • I will handle all Chrome Books and accessories properly. 	

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

If you have a child entering Kindergarten next year, then please join us on **Tuesday morning, May 8th** from 9:00-10:45 am for an orientation to our school. Your child will have an opportunity to visit our Kindergarten classrooms and familiarize him/herself with the learning environment in our school. We will also have a book bag with a children's book for your child. Thank you to Peninsula Connections for Early Childhood for the donation of these books.



PARENT VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

We want to thank all the parents and guardians who volunteered at school during this year. Your support is greatly valued and much appreciated by all the staff and students at Lochside Elementary School. Please join us for a coffee, tea and a muffin on the morning of **Thursday, May 17th** in our school parking lot.



Nominees for the LEPAC Executive 2018/2019:

We will be voting at the AGM on May 16th

Co-Presidents: Nicole Whitsitt and Megan Mbao

Vice President: Kirsty Hooker

Secretary: Heather Galey

Treasurer: Chad Linger

COPACS Representatives: Reet Dangerfield and Marissa Cameron

Healthy School Coordinators: Jodi Holland and Tina Lazaruk

Internet Safety Coordinator: Trish Jackson Mitchell

Volunteer Coordinator: Amy Campbell

Members at Large: Leanna Quon-Turple and Liz Matthews



**GREATER VICTORIA
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Enjoy some Motion Commotion with the
annual BC Summer Reading Club.

BC Summer Reading Club begins on Thursday, June 28 and concludes Tuesday, September 4.

Regular reading over the summer helps kids maintain or improve their reading skills. It also helps to encourage reading as a lifelong activity. The 2018 BC Summer Reading Club theme is Motion Commotion. Kids taking part in this program will track their reading with a self-paced reading record and earn weekly incentives including stickers, pizza vouchers and recreation passes. Last year, more than 8,000 kids participated in the BC Summer Reading Club – an impressive record we aim to beat this year!

In addition, GVPL will offer more than 300 free programs for kids to inspire their curiosity and fuel their creative minds.

The BC SRC is sponsored by the British Columbia Library Association and public libraries throughout British Columbia, with generous support from the Province of British Columbia, through Libraries Branch, Ministry of Education, and the RBC Foundation. Additional support is received from IslandLink Library Federation, BC Libraries Co-op and local partners in Greater Victoria.

Visit the Library today!

PCEC “1000 X 5” Children’s Book Recycling Project



Thanks to staff, students, and families in Saanich schools! In the past ten years, it has been possible to collect more than 133,750 children’s picture books for redistribution to babies, toddlers, and other young children whose families live on the Peninsula. That’s about ten times the number of books in most elementary school libraries! The vast majority of these books were donated through schools in Saanich District. Thank you so much...

Once the books are counted, cleaned, sorted, and packaged, they are delivered to the Strong Start Centres, Kindergarten classes, Sidney Lions’ Food Bank, Peninsula Health Unit, and 11 social agencies for distribution to children whose families cannot afford to buy books for them.

Research indicates that home libraries have a significant positive effect on the literacy development of young children and their early success in school. Success begets success. For these reasons, the PCEC “1000 X 5” Project work will continue through to the end of June and on into the next school year.

Please continue to donate books your children have outgrown and encourage them to share the gift of literacy with others. Books may be left in front of the Library/Learning Commons

If you would like to learn more about this project, please email the PCEC “1000 X 5” Project leader, Daphne Macnaughton, at dlmvictoria@shaw.ca

HOMESTAY FAMILIES WANTED IN SAANICH



Stelly's Secondary School



École
Bayside
Middle School

Are you interested in making a difference in a young person's life?

Saanich Schools have been successfully welcoming International Students for over 16 years.

Our success has led to increased interest in our program. As such, we are hoping to entice more warm and caring families to host our next group of students for the 2018-2019 school year.

Host families not only receive reimbursement of \$925 per month (Starting Sept.) but also enjoy the unique opportunity to learn about other cultures while sharing Canada with their students.

For further information visit our website:

<https://www.sisp.sd63.bc.ca/index.php/homestay/host-family-info>

Or email: homestayinfo@sd63.bc.ca

Sign up now and help us say " YES " to our next International Student!



"This has been a very rewarding experience for our family, and I can't say enough about the program and the good things it brings to all of us connected with it!" (Glen, Parkland Host Parent)



Unplug and PLAY

April 22 to OCTOBER 21
MCMINN PLAYGROUND
SUNDAYS 1-3PM
All summer long

Fun for all ages Meet new people Bring water/snack

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

There are many different extra-curricular activities taking place at Lochside.

Currently we have:

Red Cedar Book Club, Choir, and Chess Club.

A big thank you to staff members who are providing these opportunities for students at Lochside Elementary.

Games on the Green

Games on the Green (formerly known as BOKS, Build Our Kids' Success) is a free and active drop-off program that was offered in the fall, twice a week, from 8:00 - 8:30 am. We are hoping to offer a 6 week spring session starting on April 24th, but we need parent volunteers to help supervise. If you drop off your child in the morning and hang around until the first bell, you can help!

Contact lochsidepac@sd63.bc.ca for more information. Volunteering for just one session gives our kids a great start to their day!

Screen Free Week

LEPAC is promoting **Screen-free Week** from April 30-May 6th. Students are encouraged to only use screens when required for school during this week. Students who participate in screen-free activities will be eligible to enter a daily draw for Saanich Recreation Centre passes.





THANK YOU

A big **THANKS Y'ALL** for the amazing staff appreciation week!!!!!! Thank you to all parents who contributed to making every activity, potluck and decorations a great success!!! We would like to also send out a special thanks to Stephanie K., Marissa C., Alysha B., Nicole P., Nicole W., Sarah D.R., Carolyn P., Krista H., Heather R., Jane W., Jenn T., Becki E., Irene E., Heather G., Megan M., Marlena C., Helena T., Courtney P., Heather C., Susan T., Tina L., and Christie H. for transforming our school into WILD WILD LOCHSIDE.

To all of our staff for their hard work in the classroom and making sure that students are focused on their learning.

Coaches Heather Simpson, Jenica Moore, Stephanie Kenny, Stephanie Kovacs, Matthew O'Connor, Simone Harding (student teacher), Sarah Mailloux, Jenni Erickson and Sherry Seabrooke for organizing cross-country for our students at Lochside.

Fun Lunch Coordinator, Moira Fitzpatrick for her time and effort in organizing the Fun Lunches for our students.

Popcorn Day volunteer parent Alysha Bos

Morning Watch Co-ordinator, Carolyn Phillips and all of our Morning Watch volunteers who keep our students safe.

Healthy Fruit and Veggie coordinator, Jodi Holland for distributing fruits and vegetables to each classroom.

Krista Henzie, for keeping our cupboards stocked for the Forgotten Lunch Program.