



# LOCHSIDE ELEMENTARY PARENT/GUARDIAN WEEKLY

Tom Vickers - Principal  
Joan O'Leary – Vice Principal

## Friday, December 11, 2020

Parents/Guardians,

The spirit of the season is very much alive in our learning community! Despite the pandemic, next week we will be delivering much needed food, presents and gift cards to families in our community and to the Mustard Seed. We are grateful to our parents for being the elves behind the scenes and organizing the food and gifts drive - what a great way to contribute to happiness in our world.

We want to acknowledge and offer gratitude to our staff, as well. Together we have focused on meeting uncertainty with creativity, resolve, curiosity and compassionate understanding. It's been a challenging and rewarding time. Winter break will be a valuable time to rest and refresh our energy. May your own family traditions over the break bring you joy and a sense of renewal for the coming year.

With appreciation,  
Tom Vickers and Joan O'Leary

### CALENDAR

**Please Note: This calendar is in process - there will be updates going forward**

#### December

18 Pajama/Red & White/  
Tacky Christmas Sweater Day  
Last Day of School before  
Winter Break  
Jingle Bell Run  
21 Winter Break Begins  
25 Christmas Day  
26 Boxing Day

#### January

01 New Year's Day  
04 School Re-Opens  
07 Kindergarten Info Night  
Zoom Mtg 9:00 am @  
www.saanichschools.ca  
12 LEPAC Meeting 6:30  
26-28  
Kindergarten Reg for  
in-catchment students



#### February

12 Non-Instructional Day  
15 BC Family Day Stat. Holiday

### Information Items:

#### December Health & Wellness Snapshot

- The Saanich School District remains committed to wellness and the promotion of positive health in our schools and communities. In an effort to support mental wellness and social-emotional learning, we will be issuing monthly snapshots, intended as an invitation to learn together as we foster and promote positive health in our own lives, and the lives of those around us. Please follow the link to access our [December Snapshot](#) on Sleep.

<p><b>December 18th is a Pajama/Red &amp; White and Tacky Christmas Sweater Day.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● On Friday, December 18th, come to school in your pjs or wear red and white or your favourite Christmas sweater!</li> <li>● Show us your tacky, funny or cute Christmas sweater and spread smiles and cheer on the last day of school before Winter Break!</li> </ul> 
<p><b>Friday Jokes of the Week</b></p> 	<p><b>What's a sheep's favourite Christmas Song?</b> Fleece Navidad!</p> <p><b>Why do Dasher and Dancer love coffee?</b> Because they are Santa's star bucks!</p> <p><b>What do you get when you cross a Christmas tree with an iPad?</b> A pineapple!</p>
<p><b>Jingle Bell Run</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We will be celebrating the season with a Jingle Bell Run on Friday, December 18th. Classes will sign up for a time and participate in their cohort group.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Kindergarten Registration Fall 2021</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Please click <a href="#">here</a> for Kindergarten Registration Information</li> </ul> 