



March 2019

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FROM THE OFFICE

Dear Parents:

How quick the time flies! It seemed like just yesterday we came back from the holiday season and here we are approaching Spring Break. A reminder Spring Break is for two weeks, Monday March 18th to Friday March 29th, **with school reopening on Monday April 1st.**

Many thanks to PAC for helping with the funding for the Stream of Dreams Program. All students and staff enjoyed the program. Appreciation to the parents who helped with putting up the final projects on the fence on March 8th.

There has been a lot going on at Park Avenue the past little while, and it was nice to see so many parents come out for our Portfolio Learning Night on March 6th. I would like to thank our teachers, educational assistants and other support staff and school volunteers for their excellent work this school year.

Thanks, as always, to members of our PAC for their continued contributions to the school. The staff, and students of the Park Avenue community, appreciate your help and assistance.

Yours truly,

Mr. Robbie Dhillon
 Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2019

Grade 7-8 Info Night @ John Barsby (Chandler Hall, 6:00 PM)Thurs Mar 14
 Last Day before Spring Break/Easter Fri. Mar 15

First Day back after Spring BreakMon Apr 1

PAC (6:30 PM)..... Mon Apr 15
 Good FridayFri Apr 19
 Easter Monday.....Mon Apr 22

School Track Meet (Gr 3-7) Thurs May 9
 Non Instructional Day(Students do not attend).....Fri May 10
 PAC (6:30 PM) Mon May 13
 Victoria Day (students do not attend)..... Mon May 20
 PAC Fun Fair.....Sat May 25
 Zone Track Meet.....Tues May 28

District Track Meet (Rotary Bowl) Thurs Jun 6
 Welcome to Kindergarten (AM).....Fri Jun 7
 PAC (6:30 PM) Mon Jun 17
 Formative Report IssuedThurs Jun 27
 Last Day of School (school dismissed at 2:37)..... Thurs Jun 27
 Administration Day.....Fri Jun 28

LOST AND FOUND



Our lost and found box is located just inside the main door. Please take a moment to take a peak in case your child is missing anything. The school is generally accessible by 7 AM.

APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR WEATHER CONDITIONS



The cool, wet (and dare I state even snowy) weather has not left us and at this point looks like it will be around for a while. There may be days students will ask the question "Is it an inside day?" The answer on most days is no. Students will be going outside to play at recess and lunch unless it is raining heavily. We thank you for ensuring your child comes to school with appropriate rain and cool weather clothing. At Park Ave we believe in the importance of fresh air and outside play for all students and appreciate your assistance in this regard. **It is also advisable students have a change of clothes in their school bags, including socks.** Warm gloves are always a good idea as well.

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

There will be an event for students (and parents/guardians) starting Kindergarten in September on **Friday June 7 in the morning, most likely 9:30-10:45 AM** in the gym and MPR. **Please ensure you have registered your child for Kindergarten ASAP.** You do not need to preregister for this session, as we will be expecting most registrants to be present, along with parent and/or guardian.



ABSENCES OR LATES



If your child is absent or late for school, please phone the school as early as possible to notify the office (and preferably before 8 AM). The school office does have a 24-hour voice mail and you can leave a message stating your name, your child's name, grade and teacher. This will avoid the phone call from the office to you in the morning, as well as help us to ensure all students are accounted for as quickly as possible. **On the topic of lates, please ensure your child arrives to school by 8:45.** Being late to class can impact your child's

day as critical information (ie shape of the day) is covered early on, as are the morning announcements. Being late can also cause distractions for students and staff.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION 2019-2020

To register your child in Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public Schools, the online, centralized **registration began on January 9, 2019**. The following information will help determine if this process will apply to you.

Take a moment and ask yourself the following questions:

1. Is my child new to Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public Schools?
2. Do I have a child that will be turning five years old on or before December 31, 2019 that will be entering Kindergarten? **Applications must be received by June 15, 2019 to ensure a placement in your child's catchment-area school.**
3. Do I want to register my child in Late French Immersion? **(see list serve for more detailed information)**
4. Do I want to register my child in Early French Immersion? **Applications will be received until January 31, 2019, at which time student selection will be determined by lottery. Parents will be notified in early February 2019. Late French Immersion Students are placed as space permits.**
5. Do I want to register my child in secondary academies? **(see list serve for more detailed information)**

Applications will be received until March 15, 2019, at which time student selection will be determined either by lottery or tryout/audition. Parents will be notified in May 2019.

6. Do I want to apply for a school transfer request (out-of-catchment)? **Applications are due March 31, 2019**

For more information please visit, www.sd68.bc.ca or email ereg@sd68.bc.ca