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Ladysmith Intermediate News

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Principal's Message

As you can see by the very full *calendar of events*, we will be extremely busy over the final 8 weeks of this school year. We welcome you to join us whenever you have the chance. ☺

Preparations are underway for next year and teachers are planning for their next year's teaching assignments and classes. Parent requests for a particular classroom placement will be taken into consideration as deliberations continue with staff. Written/e-mailed requests must be received by May 12th. Teachers spend a great deal of time and have a lot of expertise comprising class lists and it is always done with the students' needs in the forefront, both in terms of academics and social/ behaviour. Please allow time in the fall for their efforts to be appreciated.

Thank you and we look forward to an exciting, event-filled last 2 months.
Sincerely,
Mrs. Young

Save the Date!

May 2

Gr. 7 High School visit
Author Visit- Scott Chantler
DARE- Grade 5

May 3

Gr. 7 Parent meeting at LSS (6pm)
Beyond the Hurt-Gr.7

May 4

Entrepreneurial Sale

May 5

Cavers- Romper Room

May 8

Author Visit- Celestine Aleck
Gr5 DARE

May 9

Citizen Science- Gr5

May 10

Beyond the Hurt-Gr.7
Romper Room-Dolen/Olsen
Gr5 DARE

May 11

Harris/Cosens- Victoria trip
Needham-Science World

May 12

Pro-D Day- No School

May 16

Gr5 DARE
School Track Meet

May 17

Furlan- Port Theatre

May 18

PAC Mtg
Gr5 DARE

May 19/26

Tae kwon do

May 22

Victoria Day
No School

May 23

Dolen, Harris, Needham- LSS
presentation

May 24

Zone Track Meet
DARE- Grade 5

May 26

DARE- Grade 5

Class Placements 2017/2018

Parent/Guardian requests for specific class placements for the 2017-2018 school year should be submitted by May 12th in written form (providing a rationale) addressed to the Principal. Please note that while all requests are valued, they may not be able to be accommodated.

Sports

As we wind up the Sports season, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our coaches, helpers, and teacher sponsors for their dedication and support in making the SD68's Athletic Activities program such a wonderful opportunity for our students to participate in. Congratulations to all the students on their outstanding athletic performances this year!



Congratulations to all of our Basketball Teams!

Congratulations to the Grade 7 Girl's Basketball team who placed 3rd overall!!

Congratulations:

Paige B, Hailey B., Mya M., Melody S., Katie C., Maitlan P., Sophia B., Hope Z., Amber P., Hannah A., Maddy J., Ava K

Coach: Marissa Harder

Sponsor Teacher: Mrs. Teneycke

Congratulations Grade 7 Bantam Boys:

Walker S., Ethan T., Isaac G., Isaiah C., Ryland S., Coltan W., Kyler S.
½ Season – Kaden F., Lucas C., Dante, Kieran W.

Coach: Mr. Kuzminski

PAC News

There are only 2 more PAC meetings left before the end of the school year. Please come out and hear how the PAC is supporting our students and teachers. Meeting dates: May 18th 6:30pm-8pm and June 15th AGM 6:30pm- 8pm

Community Fun Fair

The Community Fun Fair will be held on June 1st from 4:00pm- 7:00pm. Please come and join in the fun. There will be food, over 20 games for the kids, and lots of prizes to be won!

Moving Away?

If you know that you are moving away and will be withdrawing your student(s) from Ladysmith Intermediate for the 2017-2018 School Year, please contact the school at 250-245-3351 to let us know as we are beginning to plan for next year. Thank you.



Healthy Weights Initiative

The Childhood Healthy Weights Intervention Initiative, a new provincial program, offers the following programs aimed at healthy weight management.

- MEND (Mind, Exercise, Nutrition, Do It!) is a free, fun healthy lifestyle program for families with children ages 7 to 13 years.
- Shapedown BC is a multi-disciplinary weight management program for families with children and teens ages 6 to 17 years in need of more intensive support.
- HealthLink BC Eating and Activity Program for Kids is a telephone program offered through 8-1-1 to children and teens from newborn to 18 years and their families.

To find out more information visit www.bchealthykids.ca or <http://bit.ly/1CCOQRk> or call 8-1-1.



BookFest 2017 is taking place Saturday, May 6th in downtown Nanaimo. The hub of activity will be in the Diana Krall Plaza, while the presenter sessions are held in the **Vancouver Island Conference Centre** and the **Harbourfront Library**. **Lunch hour entertainment is sponsored by Camp Narnia and affordable on-site lunch will be available from Nanaimo Foodshare.** Tickets are \$10 per child for 3 sessions, to a maximum of \$25 per family. Featured books will be available for purchase and author book-signing will be held at the end of the day.

Read about our presenters and check out the BookFest schedule at Bookfest.ca. Buy tickets online, over the phone or in person through The Port Theatre (250.754.8550).

Bike Safety

As summer approaches and the weather is getting better, here are a few bike safety rules to remember: always wear a safety approved bicycle helmet, always ride in view of your parent or guardian, let your parent or guardian check that your bicycle is in good mechanical shape, make sure your bicycle is safe and has reflectors, lights and a bell, look both ways at intersections and make eye contact with drivers before proceeding, give a warning as you approach walkers/runners to pass them, watch closely for cars leaving driveways, and ride with traffic.



MAY 2017

LIS Dress Code

With the warmer weather comes the need to wear lighter clothing. Please remember that school is a workplace for your child/children and what may be acceptable attire at the beach or other places may not necessarily be acceptable at the workplace. At LIS, we follow the SD#68 Dress Code guidelines and add our own guidelines with respect to “revealing” clothing.

The basic responsibility for a student’s appearance while attending school lies with the student and his/her parent or guardian.

Students are to wear attire which:

- is safe and free of any reference to alcohol, drugs, gangs, hate, obscenity, profanity, racism, sex or violence

- is not disturbing or distracting to others within the school setting. Footwear must be worn at all times and must be considered safe to wear in case of hurried emergency exits from the school.

Students must also consider that certain footwear, such as holey soles and flipflops, are not appropriate for an “active” recess.

- Clothing should appropriately cover the body from shoulder to mid-thigh. Half tops and beach wear such as crop tops, halter tops, muscle shirts, spaghetti straps and short shorts are not the attire for a school setting.

- Hats or head coverings are considered outside wear only and are not to be worn in the building.

Allergy Season

We have had many students come to the office complaining of seasonal allergies such as itchy/watery eyes etc. If your child has seasonal allergies, please stop by the office to complete a Medication Form and provide us with your child’s allergy medication (Benadryl/Chloratrimon). This will save you a trip to the school with medication. Students must not keep medication.

Track and Field

Track and Field practices have now started in the students’ PE classes.

Grade 4 to 7 students are invited to participate in our School Track and Field Meet on Tuesday, May 16th at LSS. **We are still searching for volunteers. If you are interested, please email Ms. Huggins at Breigh.huggins@sd68.bc.ca.** The donation of your time is greatly appreciated.

Over the next few weeks, students who have qualified will then continue their training in preparation for the Zone Meet on Wednesday, May 24th.

