



Ladysmith Intermediate School

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Principal's Message

Did you know that February is Random Acts of Kindness Month?

We'll be having a couple of assemblies focused on Random Acts of Kindness, and encouraging kids to look for ways to help each other out all month long.

February 27 is Pink Shirt Day- hopefully we'll have lots of examples to celebrate when we get there!

We're also catching the Basketball Spirit around here! Many thanks to Ms. Graydon, Mr Rodgers (from LSS), Mr. Middleton and Mr. Grossgart for coaching teams- we have a full squad of grade 6 and 7 boys and girls representing the school between now and April.

Today, we are sending home the first formal report cards of the year. I really enjoyed reading them and seeing all of the wonderful progress that our learners are making- the students have a lot to be proud of!

If you have any questions or concerns after reading your child's report, please connect with your child's teacher to set up a conversation. We always value working with families to support their children!

Mrs. Kerri Steel, Principal



Upcoming Dates

Feb. 1	Act of Kindness Month begins
Feb. 4-8	School-wide Badminton Clinic
Feb. 8	Report Cards home
Feb. 14	Red and White Day for Valentine's
Feb. 15	Hot Lunch
Feb. 18	Family Day (no school)
Feb. 19	Troll Grandfather performance
Feb. 25 & 26	Pro-D Days
Feb. 27	Pink Shirt Day
March 7	PAC Movie Night
March 15	Green Day
March 16-31	Spring Break
April 1	Classes Resume
April 5-8	Book Fair
April 18	Earth Day Activities
April 19-22	Easter Break
April 26	Jump Rope for Heart
May 10	Pro-D Day
May 14	Math-er-noon
May 20	Victoria Day- no school
May 30	Math Showcase

Ladysmith Intermediate Bell Schedule




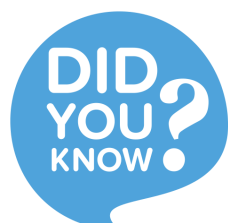
Welcome Bell	8:35 a.m.
Classes Start	8:40 a.m.
Recess	10:15a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Lunch	11:45a.m. - 12:26 p.m.
Dismissal	
(Mondays)	1:37 p.m.
(Tuesdays-Fridays)	2:37 p.m.

LIS In the News

From time-to-time, the Chronicle is kind enough to share news from around the school.

We are collecting these articles for a display in the school, but don't always get to see them, as many of our staff members do not live in Ladysmith.

If  you see something in print that you think deserves notice, please cut out and send the article into the school for our board.



The **Family Support Institute of BC** helps strengthen, connect and build communities and resources with families of people with disabilities in BC.

For more information, take a peek at:
<https://familysupportbc.com/>

SCHOOL CLOSURES

If schools are closed due to snow, or any other weather-related problems, announcements will be made on local radio stations (WOLF 106.9 FM, WAVE 102.3 FM, and 91.7 COAST FM) by 7 a.m. on the day of the closure. Please do not call the radio station – tune in and listen for the announcements, which will be made on a regular basis.

In addition, the district will post the information on the district's website, Twitter, Facebook, and mobile app.

Please keep in mind, however, that there may be situations where this is not always possible, for example, power outages or technical problems. The most reliable method is to listen to the local radio stations .



Report Cards

Our first formal report card of the year will be going home today, Friday, February 8, 2019.

A number of families have asked for information or clarification regarding the new reporting procedures, and how to interpret some of the descriptors that are now found on the reports.

The most recent Tiger Talk post offers a bit background on how we assess the students, and the reason that we are reporting information differently from how it was shared in the past.



Please connect with your child's teacher if you would like an opportunity to come in and discuss their report in more detail.

Link for post: <https://listigers.home.blog/>

Sports News

Volleyball: Our volleyball season has come to an end.

We're really proud of both of our teams- both teams did a great job learning some new skills and showing their great team spirit!



A special congratulations to our Bantam Boys' Team, who earned the 1st Place pennant!



Badminton Clinic: This week, Coach Alf from VIU has been with us teaching our students the fundamentals of badminton. Each class

from Grades 4-6 had an opportunity for 4 sessions, the Grade 7 classes each had 5. Everyone has done a great job trying out the sport, and their cooperation and respect for our guest coach was greatly appreciated.

Basketball: Basketball season has just begun. Many thanks to the coaches for offering their time. We are looking forward to a successful season!



Intramurals: Thanks to Mr. G and his team of student volunteers who have just started an Intramurals program for the school. Every Wednesday, four of our 8 teams will square-off against each other during the noon hour. I know the teams are really appreciating the spectators who cheer them on as well!

Swimming Lessons: The Grade 5 Swimming lessons are coming to an end over the next week or so. Many thanks to the PAC for providing this great opportunity for them, it's been a super experience.

PAC CORNER

Send in your receipts! We are having a **49th Parallel Receipt contest** to see which class can bring in the most receipts. We are able to exchange these for gift cards which help support our lunch program and concession.

Please keep an eye on your email as well, there are some fundraisers and events coming up this spring that we will need some extra help for.

Blueberry Bush Fundraiser: We will be selling blueberry plants **between now and early March**. Please watch for information about how to order. They will be available for pick-up between March 13-15.

Family Movie Night: Mark **March 7** on your calendar for Family Movie Night. There will be pizza and hotdogs available for pre-order, and the concession will also be open. Everyone is invited to bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets and settle in for a show.....the name of the movie will be announced soon!

The **Fun Fair** is scheduled for **May 30**—and there are lots of things that need doing between now and then. If you are available to help, please leave your name at the office, or contact one of the members of the PAC!



Registration is on-going for the **Ladysmith Lightning Softball** season. To register, check out the website: www.ladysmithsoftball.ca. Email questions to ladysmithlightning@gmail.com.