



Week at A Glance

	Week of December 14th - December 18th
Mon. Dec 14th	Red & Green Day
Tue. Dec 15th	Ugly Sweater Day
Wed. Dec 16th	Holiday Sock Day
Thur. Dec 17th	Candy Cane Day wear red & white
Fri. Dec 18th	Pajama/ Holiday Character Day

Dear LIS Families,

Just one more week to go! LIS is headed for an action-packed week of fun events; door decorating, themed days and afternoon movies and parties. We are looking forward to holiday spirit week filling our halls with cheer and laughter.

LIS virtue for December is “Responsibility”. During announcements this week I read, “ We are responsible for **Helping others in the community** — As members of the human race we must volunteer by donating our time to help others without pay—helping people in need, assisting at schools, sports teams and social groups, volunteering at food banks or other charity, or encouraging others to volunteer. Students understand that as citizens we are responsible to uplift and support those in need. Huy’ch’qa to everyone that has donated money to Ladysmith Resource Centre. Our community is the epitome of Responsible Citizens.

Holiday Performance: All students in “LIS Express” need to wear Pajamas on December 11th. Students in grades 4-7 will be singing selections from “The Polar Express”. First viewing will take place on Microsoft TEAM’s on December 17 at 1:00pm and second showing will take place at 6:30pm.

LADYSMITH SECONDARY (GRADE 8 REGISTRATIONS)

Grade 7 students are automatically registered and scheduled at Ladysmith Secondary for Grade 8, as Ladysmith is our catchment high school. There is no need to apply to Ladysmith Secondary as this is automatically taken care of for your child.

Students wishing to transfer to a secondary school other than our catchment area high school, should notify their Principal and Grade 7 teacher and apply online here: [Student Online Registration](#).

If you are interested in applying for one of our District Secondary Academies, please visit our website for more information here: [District Secondary Academies](#).

Registration opens on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 8:00am.

Weekly Quote: “Character — the willingness to accept responsibility for one’s own life — is the source from which self-respect springs.” — Joan Didion



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Attendance- Please remember to inform the office if your child will be late or absent. Please phone 250-245-3351

When a student is late: Please have them come to our front door and knock on the door; someone will come let them in. Then they will need to come into the Office and sign in.

Building Access- Parents will not be able to enter the school this year (all exterior doors are locked) and teachers will be communicating with you by phone or video call. In rare and urgent situations in person meetings may be able to be arranged.

Covid Protocol if Your Child is Unwell

Please use the Daily Health Check form each morning to ensure your child is healthy and not exhibiting any respiratory symptoms. If any students or staff are sick, they must not come to school. This will be essential in keeping our school community safe this winter. Parents must also check with a medical professional or call 811 to ensure their child does not have COVID 19 before they can return to school. Students must also be symptom free before returning to school.

[Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools](#) (Please Click on Link)

Upcoming Dates to Remember

December 14th- 18th Holiday Spirit Week

December 17th – Virtual Christmas Assembly (**Tentative**)

December 18th- Last day of classes winter break

December 19th -January 3rd Winter Break (**School not in session**)

January 4th- School Reopens

January 18th – BC Lions Virtual Assembly

Mental Wellness Supports

Mental wellness during COVID-19

[Check out our latest Mental Check In Newsletter for November 2020](#)

SD #68 Mental Wellness During Covid

<https://www.sd68.bc.ca/covid-19/staying-mentally-well-during-covid-19/>

Ease <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/managing-your-health/mental-health-substance-use/child-teen-mental-health/ease>

Syeyutsus Framework for Community Wellness

[Useful tips, links and resources](#) to assist families during COVID-19



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Holiday Reading

If boredom starts to set in, please visit **Teen Book Cloud** and **Tumble Library** during the Holiday Season. There are books for the entire family.

[Teen Book Cloud](#)

[Tumble Book Library](#)



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.

Ladysmith Resource Centre Fundraiser

The Ladysmith Resources Centre (LRCA) is once again collecting donations for their annual Christmas Cheer Fund. This year, due to Covid-19 restrictions, they are asking for donations of cash or cheques rather than food and toys. If you wish to donate, you can do so by mailing a cheque to LRCA, or by donating online through their website. To donate online, please visit www.lrca.ca and click on the donate tab and select "Christmas Cheer" under the fund drop down menu.

Students are collecting donations as well. The class with highest amount raised will win an DQ ice cream party on December 17th.

Ladysmith Resource Centre has done so much for families in our community. Rather it's a toonie or loonie, any amount helps. Thank you in advanced for thinking about others during this holiday season.



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Deck the Halls

