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NOVEMBER NEWS

November 29, 2019





Div. 18, Mrs. Smith & Mr. Will's Grade 1 class went to the Fish Hatchery Thursday. They will be receiving salmon eggs in February as part of the Salmon Enhancement Program. Our little salmon fry will then be released into Mt Douglas Stream in the spring.



Interested in another option to promote literacy at home for your child? Visit "Tumblebooks" online for hundreds of animated stories which include music, sound and narration. Click the link below or access it through our website <u>https://oaklands.sd61.bc.ca</u>– click "Library Resources" then "Read and Listen" to find Tumble books and other great reading resources.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, December 4 Primary Winter Concert (Kindergarten to Grade 2) See attached information

> Friday, December 6 Pizza Day

Friday, December 13 Report Cards go home

Thursday, December 19 Oaklands Whole School Pajama Day

Friday, December 20 Last day before Winter Break

Monday, January 6 First day back after Winter Break

Monday, January 20 Professional Development Day No school for students

January 20 to 24

Kindergarten Registration Week For children born in 2015 (more information to follow soon)

The Oaklands Totem Documentary & Totem Storybook

An important letter/consent form is coming home today for parents regarding the Oaklands Totem Project. Please complete and return the form to your child's teacher, the office, or directly to Mr. Hovis by Friday, December 20th. This letter is also located on our website.

Kindergarten Immunization

Information was e-mailed to Kindergarten parents this week and a letter sent home to families who Island Health does not have record of immunizations for their child. If you received one of these forms, please complete and return to the office.

Immunization sessions will be held on February 4, 2020, from 3:00 to 5:30 pm in Oaklands School's office. This is held for those who do not have up to date immunizations for their Kindergarten children only (ages 4 to 6 years old). Please contact Susan Beckett in the office to book a time. Immunizations will be done by appointment only.

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1000 Books by Age Five Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria



Thank you for all the books that have been pouring in to be packaged in time for the holidays. And huge thank you to ORCA books for their most generous donation. That means that for quite a few months a new book can be added to each bag of 3 books

Drop your books for babies and preschoolers off in the pink bin by the main doors by the office.

Tis' the Season!

Please find the Greater Victoria School District's Protocol for Inclement Weather:

Inclement Weather Notifications

During an emergency, inclement weather, power outage or similar incident, it is a priority to communicate effectively to parents, students and community partners. We work closely with local municipalities and emergency services to gather accurate information about road conditions and safety considerations. We will work quickly to determine impacts to school so parents can adjust plans accordingly in the early morning hours. We try to determine school closures due to inclement weather by 6:30 am. If schools are closed, an alert will appear on this website.

Greater Victoria School District Website:

Our website <u>www.sd61.bc.ca</u> should be used as the primary point of contact for accurate updates about inclement weather or emergencies. An alert system is utilized on the front page of the website to draw your attention to the most pertinent information. Please use this website as your official source of information and current status.

Twitter and Facebook:

Updates will also be posted on the Greater Victoria School District Twitter Account: @sd61schools and on our Facebook page, Greater Victoria School District. Help us share updates by sharing posts with your friends and followers on Twitter and Facebook.

Local media:

To reach as many people as possible – as quickly as possible – we work closely with our local media to share information. Listen to local radio stations and follow local news outlets online to also get information about the impact of severe weather on schools.

Student safety is our first priority and a shared responsibility. The Greater Victoria Region is large and we understand that some areas may be more difficult to travel than others. It's a parent's decision if you choose to keep your child home due to road conditions. Please call the school and let them know if your child is staying home. The decision to attend school is the responsibility of each family.