

LAKWOOD ELEMENTARY

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Welcome Back!

We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and Happy New Year to all! Thanks so much to all of our families for making the Peer Helper Food Drive and the Warmth for Winter Clothing Drive so successful. Students have settled into the school routines quickly and are actively engaged in learning activities in their classrooms. A great deal of learning occurs during the second term and once again our dedicated staff have begun implementing second term curriculum units. *Not only that, there are some great opportunities for your children during the lunch breaks thanks to the staff at Lakewood. Read on and find out what's going on as we head on into 2019!*



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STEM Week Begins Monday

STEM is teaching a curriculum based on the idea of educating students in four specific disciplines — science, technology, engineering and mathematics — in an interdisciplinary and applied approach. Rather than teach the four disciplines as separate and discrete subjects, STEM integrates them into a cohesive learning paradigm based on real-world applications. Next week participating classes will be involved in a variety of STEM activities. We are looking forward to a wonderful week. We will be introducing the STEM week tomorrow at a school wide assembly at 11:30AM. Check in with your children to find out about what's happening in their classroom next week!

Handball Playoffs Complete!

The intermural handball league ended before the holidays with a great game between the Bandits and the Pink Fluffy Unicorns. In the end PFU were the champions. Once interschool basketball has concluded in February, we will begin our floor Hockey league for all interested grade four and five girls. A big thank you to Mrs. Fawcett, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Meiklejohn for giving up their lunch breaks to referee the games.



Basketball Season and Choir Club



It is that time of the year again when the interschool basketball leagues for boys and girls in grade five begin. Due to the size of our school and the number of interested students, this opportunity is limited to our grade

fives each year. Thanks to Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Fawcett, Miss Erickson and Miss Sweetland for volunteering their time to make this opportunity happen for your kids. **Choir Club** is also starting with Mr. Wilson. All interested students in grades 1 to 5 have been invited to attend. Basketball practices will be from Monday to Thursday at lunchtime, Choir practices are every Friday at lunchtime.



Coming Up

Once our basketball season has ended, we will once again hold the Lakewood Grade 4 and 5 Floor Hockey League for all interested children.



Last year the Chess and Lego Clubs were a big hit. Other club opportunities will crop up before the end of the year including **Chess Club**, **Lego Club** and **Maker Space Club**. As you can see, there are lots of extra-curricular activities going on at lunch time for your children to participate in, thanks to all of our staff that work to make these opportunities happen for your children!



Lakewood Super Assistants

Our Super Assistant Team is up and running again! Many students volunteer for a variety of responsibilities within the school including lunch monitors, equipment monitors, event set-up crew and office monitors. Thanks to all of those students that are part of our team and thanks to Ms. Deichmann for providing this leadership opportunity.



Peer Helpers Thank you!

On behalf of the Peer Helpers, we would like to thank you for your generous contributions to the Food Bank. We are always amazed and thankful that our Community is so supportive and generous in our initiatives! Thank you from Mrs. Penston and the Peer Helpers!



Recycling at Lakewood Elementary

Just a reminder to parents that the school recycling program handles paper, cardboard, refundable beverage containers, commingles (hard plastics and metal) and organic waste. Plastics and foils that contain food products end up in the garbage, in turn at the land fill. To reduce the items ending up in the landfill we encourage all families to send lunches and snacks in reusable containers or recyclable containers. Thanks in advance for being an Ecowarrior!

Dress for the Weather!!

It is important for students to get outside and get some fresh air at recess and lunch. Boots, coats, hats and gloves help keep your kids dry and warm while they are outside enjoying time with their friends, burning off some energy and enjoying the games and activities that entertain them and their friends during these break times. Please dress your children accordingly for the weather. We have many undercover areas where



children can gather if they want to stay out of the cold wind or stay dry if it is raining. As the weather warms, it is important to remember that our school ground does not drain well so even when things appear to be drying out, boots are a good idea. Please ensure your child has a spare change of clothes in



the event they have a fall during the break times so they can stay dry during learning time.

Next PAC Meeting February 12th

On Tuesday February 12th, our regular PAC meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. in the library. We have an extremely dedicated PAC who work very hard to support school activities, resources and organize special events for our school. Thanks to all of our parents that helped make the Pancake Breakfast a great success as well as the RBC Volunteer team and the Knights of Columbus! I know all parents are made to feel very welcome when attending PAC meetings. Being involved with our school builds a really strong community. See everybody on February 12th.



Volunteers Needed: Lakewood Book Fair Coming Soon

The Book Fair is coming, Thursday, February 7th and runs until Tuesday, February 12th! We are looking for parent volunteers to assist with the fair. If you are able to volunteer please contact Ms. Bouvier, or email her at cbouvier@sd62.bc.ca Thanks to Ms. Bouvier for coordinating this great event.



Who let the Dogs out...

Just a friendly reminder that dogs are not permitted on the school grounds. If you are meeting your child at school and have your dog, you and your dog need to wait off site. Please arrange a meeting place with your child in advance. Many concerns are brought forward by staff, students and parents regarding dog poop on the playground. I encourage everyone to be proactive in regards to this problem. Please feel free to call CRD animal control at 250-478-0624 Ext 31 if you see anything that might need their attention for enforcement relating to animal control matters within the City of Langford.



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Fri. Jan 18th PAC Hot Lunch
- Jan. 14-18 STEM Week
- Mon. Jan 28th Kindergarten Registration Begins
- Thurs. Feb 7th- Feb 12th BOOK FAIR
- Tue. Feb 12th PAC Meeting-7:00PM-Library
- Fri. Feb. 15th Pro D Day - No School
- Mon. Feb. 18th Family Day - No School
- Fri. Feb 22nd PAC Hot Lunch
- Thurs. Feb 27th Pink Shirt Day
- Thurs. Feb 28th Earthquake Drill 10:00AM
- Mar. 11th - 15th Literacy Week
- Tue. Mar 12th PAC Meeting-7:00PM-Library
- Fri. Mar. 15th Beginning Spring Break, 2:38PM
- Tues. Apr 1st School Reopens, 8:30AM
- Thurs. Apr 11th Early Dismissal 11:38AM
- Fri. Apr 12th Pro D Day - No School
- Fri. Apr 19th Good Friday - No School
- Mon. Apr 22nd Easter Monday - No School

