

## LAKWOOD ELEMENTARY

2363 Setchfield Rd Victoria BC V9B 5W1

Phone: 250 474-3449 Fax: 250 474-1618

web: <http://lakewood.sd62.bc.ca>

Principal: Ms. Camille McFarlane

Vice-Principal: Mrs. Corrinne Kosik



February 12, 2021

### How's My Kid Doing?

A reminder to all parents that 2:38 is a really busy time in the classroom.



Students are getting ready to leave, parents are picking up their children, and teachers are busy ensuring end of day routines are successful. This is not an appropriate setting to engage in a discussion regarding "how your child's day was". I know that all of our teachers are happy to accommodate parent requests for a meeting, at a time that is mutually agreeable.

With that in mind, remember that the second term conference window is coming up. This is an opportunity for teachers to meet with those parents that they feel would benefit from some additional planning in order to enhance student success in the final term. When a child is making satisfactory progress and the teacher does not require a conference, the teacher will not request one. **If a conference is requested,** you will hear directly from your child's classroom



teacher prior to the week of February 22<sup>nd</sup>. If a conference is not requested, you can assume that your child is progressing at an appropriate learning rate and is "good to go" into the final term. Teachers will be conducting Parent Teacher Conferences during the

week of February 22<sup>nd</sup> to February 26<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will be available for later appointments until 7:00pm on Wednesday February 24<sup>th</sup>.

### Pink Shirt Day Wed. February 24<sup>th</sup>

*David Shepherd, Travis Price and their teenage friends organized a high-school protest to wear pink in sympathy with a Grade 9 boy who was being bullied [for wearing a pink shirt] ... [They] took a stand against bullying when they protested against the harassment of a new Grade 9 student by distributing pink T-shirts to all the boys in their school. 'I learned that two people can come up with an idea, run with it, and it can do wonders,' says Mr. Price, 17, who organized the pink protest. 'Finally, someone stood up for a weaker kid.'* So Mr.

*Shepherd and some others headed off to a discount store and bought 50 pink tank tops. They sent out messages to schoolmates that night, and the next morning they hauled the shirts to school in a plastic bag. As they stood in the foyer handing out the shirts, the bullied boy walked in. His face spoke volumes. 'It looked like a huge weight was lifted off his shoulders,' Mr. Price recalled. The bullies were never heard from again."*

— Globe & Mail

We remind everyone to wear pink on Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>.



### Lakewood Virtual Book Fair

**Coming Soon!** The Scholastic Book Fair is going virtual this year! We are very excited to have this event scheduled from



February 19th to March 5th! You will be able to purchase during this time by going to the following link:

<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5155930>

Orders over \$40 dollars get free shipping. If your order is under \$40, you receive free shipping if you order on Wednesday nights from 6-8pm. Orders get shipped straight to your house, they are filled and shipped within a day or two of ordering. Once at the site there are links to a book flyer and trailers that families can view. We would recommend that parents preview these trailers prior to watching them with their children. There are a few, especially in the Grade 4-6 category, that might not be a good fit for some students depending on their comfort level with the different topics. The older category obviously is for students beyond the elementary school level. It is always a wonderful fundraiser for us, bringing in hundreds of new books to both the library and classrooms. A big thanks to Ms. Bouvier for coordinating the Book Fair as well as all of you that purchase!

### **Please Use the Crosswalks...**

Just a friendly reminder for all families that we have three crosswalks in the immediate vicinity of our main entrances to the school. One on Treanor across from Lake Ida Ann, one on Setchfield close to the information sign in the front of the school, and one in the "pick up and drop off ring". Ms. Elise is out at 8:15AM to support parents and students with drop off and safe crossing using the crosswalk. We encourage all



parents/guardians to use the crosswalk, particularly in the Bus Ring rather than taking the shortest route available. Not only does it make life easier for those parents dropping off and picking up students, it sets a good example for your children. Traffic congestion peaks just before school begins and right after school dismisses. Please obey speed signs and be extra vigilant watching for students, families and staff members. Thank you!



**Next Virtual PAC Meeting  
Tuesday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00pm  
Everyone Welcome**

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Mon. Feb. 15th Family Day - No School
- Wed. Feb. 24th Pink Shirt Day
- Tues. Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> PAC Meeting 7:00PM
- Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Literacy Week
- Fri. Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> Beginning Spring Break, 2:38PM
- Mon.. Mar. 29<sup>th</sup> School Reopens, 8:30AM
- Fri. April 2<sup>nd</sup> Good Friday
- Mon April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Monday
- Tues. April 6<sup>th</sup> PAC Meeting 7:00PM
- Thurs. April 15<sup>th</sup> Early Dismissal 11:38AM
- Fri. April 16<sup>th</sup> Earthquake Drill 1:10PM
- Mon. April 19<sup>th</sup> Pro D Day - No School
- Tues. May 4<sup>th</sup> PAC Meeting (AGM) 7:00PM
- Tues. May 11<sup>th</sup> Fire Drill 8:45AM
- Fri. May 14<sup>th</sup> Pro D Day - No School
- Mon. May 24<sup>th</sup> Victoria Day - No School
- Tues. June 29<sup>th</sup> Last Day of School
- Wed. June 30<sup>th</sup> Year-end Administrative Day