

## Principal's Message

As I look out of my office window this morning, it brings back my memories of the students of Cloverdale Traditional School through the last two years; soccer, California Kickball, track, The Running Club, DPA, snowballing, snowmen in addition to the hundreds of recess and lunch time activities. So many wonderful memories!

The successes at Cloverdale in the past nine months have been many and numerous:

- Our outreach to the community continues to be amazing– Tnoonies for Terry, Jump Rope for Heart, Support for our Sister School in Tanzania, food donations to the Mustard Seed Food Bank, Jeans Day in support of BC Children's Hospital.
- Buddy classes within Cloverdale and one class had a Buddy Class from Reynolds High School.
- Once again the students exceeded our goals for Reading Extravaganza – both in the number of books read and in the number of points achieved.
- Our Grade Five Strings Program (the Golden Tuners) won the Best Public School Orchestra at the Greater Victoria Festival for the Performing Arts. They were the only group who were awarded an 'outstanding' for their performance.
- Our Grade 3, 4, and 5 Dance Club performed magnificently at the Arts Festival.
- Our students participated in the Reynolds Family Soccer and Floor Hockey Jamborees.
- Our Grade 3, 4, and 5 students participated in both the Zone and Final Track Meets. They displayed exemplary sportsmanship, effort and participation. Many of our students had successful results at the Zone Meet and the City Finals.
- Classes have focused on our Writing Goal through the introduction of Word Work (Words Their Way) as a school-wide strategy. In addition there has been explicit teaching of the writing traits. We have observed a general improvement in writing across all grade levels and look forward to continued growth in the years ahead.
- As a school, staff and students created the Clovers of expected behaviour that have been posted around the school.
- Students have been on a variety of field trips throughout the year. The entire school was fortunate to be able to participate in two school wide trips: the Naden Band Concert in December and the upcoming Beach Day at Island View Beach.
- Then there was all of the Reading, Math, Socials, Science, DPA, Gym, Library, Music and more; that is the reason that we come to school each day!

Wow! And this list is certainly not complete. There were so many more activities that took place. Just writing and remembering all of these things are exhausting! Cloverdale is a wonderful school and a good learning environment for your children. Thank you for your part in its success.

*Kathy*



### **Bike Rodeo**

The Bike Rodeo happens tomorrow – June 10. There will be several members of the Saanich Police Department here in the morning to assist us with this exciting event. Students are invited to bring their bicycles or scooters and participate. Please send a lock so that your child’s bike is safe throughout the day. Remember: helmets are required for both scooters and bicycles.



### **Reading Extravaganza**

The students have completed another successful Reading Extravaganza! They read an amazing 8675 books during the six week session! In addition, this year we challenged them to earn more than 6000 points. (To put this in perspective, primary books earn .5 points while some novels can be worth as many as 35 points.) They earned more than 7100 points!

In celebration of the 8675 books, the students had an extra recess one sunny afternoon. This was followed by a rock concert by the Vancouver band ‘beekeeper’ to recognize the number of points we achieved.

A big thank you goes to all of our volunteers. Some are family members but the large majority of our volunteers are members of the larger community. Without the many volunteers, Reading Extravaganza is not possible. If you are able to assist next year, your help would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the following businesses that that make it possible to run the Accelerated Reader Program and Reading Extravaganza at Cloverdale by providing prizes and other services.

**Thrifty Foods**

**Rogers Video**

**Petro-Can Service**





## **Potlatch**

Once again, we will honour our Grade Five students by hosting a Potlatch on Thursday June 23 @ 10:30 am. The students throughout the school have been preparing gifts, making their button blankets and learning dances under the leadership of Mrs. Pamela Bourque.

As a community with families from many different origins, we are inviting everyone who has national clothing to wear this to our Potlatch. This colourful display of family history was one of the highlights of the Potlatch last year.

As this is the school leaving celebration for Grade 5, we invite all Grade 5 parents to come and participate in the festivities. Unfortunately, room does not allow us the opportunity to make an open invitation to the entire community.

The Potlatch is followed by a community lunch for all of our students, honoured guests, and the Grade 5 families. Your child will not need a lunch on that day. However, for students with anaphylactic allergies, although we are making the sandwiches ourselves, we cannot guarantee that they will be nut free. There may be some cross contamination from kitchens etc. If you are concerned, please send a lunch for your child.

## **Year End Assembly**

Our final assembly for the year will be on Monday June 27 at 9:00 am. This will be an opportunity to celebrate this year of learning and success by all students. We will be entertained by the Golden Tuners, the Ukulele Group, our Recorder Group, the Choir and our Kindergarten Class! I am looking forward to an exciting time together!



## **Beach Day**

All students, Gr. 1-5, will be travelling to Island View Beach on Tuesday June 28 for a day of exploration and play. Information will be coming home next week. Please watch for the notice next Thursday.

All students will be required to wear a hat and a t-shirt at all times when we are at the beach.

## **Fun Day**

Cloverdale Traditional School's Annual Fun Day is happening June 24 in the afternoon. We are looking for some parents to assist in the stations. Please watch for this information next Thursday or contact your child's teacher and let them know if you are able to help.



## **Important Dates**

<b>June 10</b>	<b>Bike Rodeo</b>
<b>June 23</b>	<b>Potlatch</b>
<b>June 24</b>	<b>Fun Day</b>
<b>June 27</b>	<b>Year End Assembly</b>
<b>June 28</b>	<b>Beach Day</b>
<b>June 29</b>	<b>Last day of School      Students are dismissed at 2:52 pm.</b>



## **Student Pick-Up**

With the nicer weather now, our playground is very full of children playing after school. While we love to see the children have this time in the sun with their friends, we have concerns about the safety of all students. It is fine for students to play on the school grounds after dismissal **if they have their parents with them**. Students **waiting** to be picked up must **remain on the tarmac area by the flag pole**. Please pick up children promptly at 2:52 from this area. Students who walk home on their own or take a bus are asked to leave the grounds immediately after dismissal. We have one supervisor outside until about 3:10 and it is very difficult for her to determine which children are with which adult, when students are playing everywhere. When our playground supervisor goes in at 3:10, all remaining students will be taken to wait at the office and phone calls made to ensure pick-up is on the way. We do not want to have a child mistakenly left behind. We hope these extra measures help us maintain the safety of all students. Thank you for supporting us by clarifying these expectations with your children.



## **Children Ages 6-12.....Join our Summer Fun Day Camp**

Victoria Native Friendship Centre is proud to offer our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual summer fun day camp for children ages 6 through 12. Each week will offer a variety of exciting events at no cost to families. Parents must sign up one week at a time to ensure all families get at least one week for their children.

The program runs Tuesday to Thursday. Children are to be dropped off prior to 10 am and picked up promptly by 3pm.

Each child will need: hat, swim suit, towel, sunscreen, change of clothes (weather appropriate), appropriate footwear (no flip flops please) and a water bottle.

We ask that all telephones, computer games and other electronics be left at home as we are hoping to create a physical and interactive place for children to connect and grow! All forms must be completed prior to your child attending. Please contact the Victoria Native Friendship Centre for more information.



## **Music in the Park**

Rutledge Park is having their 5<sup>th</sup> year of Music in the Park. The Park is located at the corner of Inverness and Cloverdale Avenue.

**August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6-8pm.** The band featured will be “The Sutcliffes”. This band plays Beatles tunes and they are going to bring plenty of Energy to the Park.

**August 9<sup>th</sup> – 6-8pm.** The band featured will be “Black Angus”. This band plays Celtic tunes and will certainly delight the audience.

**August 16<sup>th</sup> – 6-8pm.** The band featured will be “Rukus”. This band plays Rock n’ Roll hits of the 50’s till now.

Donations are gratefully accepted at the park each night. We encourage people to bring a lawn chair or blanket. Food and ice cream are for sale. Arts and crafts are for sale. Face painting, drum making and activities for the children are free. For further info please contact: Margaret Bachmann at (250) 477-3673.



# NEWS FROM THE PAC



Cloverdale Traditional  
Elementary School  
Victoria, BC

June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## Welcome to June!

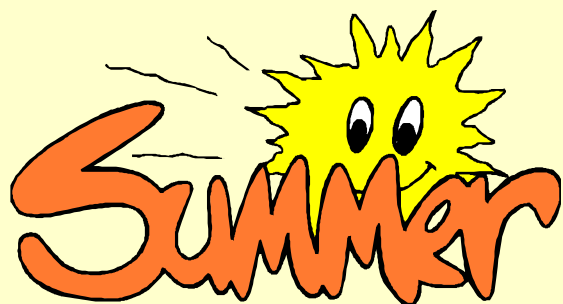
### A word from the PAC Exec's

**On behalf of the PAC executive, we would like to thank all the teachers, staff, and parents of Cloverdale Traditional for all their hard work during the 2010 – 2011 school year. Our collaborative efforts have helped to enhance and improve the educational experience of all our Cloverdale Traditional students; be it through working on fund raisers, attending PAC events, or participating in PAC meetings. Let's continue to do our best and make the 2011 – 2012 school year even better!!**

**With the future in mind, it is our pleasure to introduce the new members of the PAC executive. For the 2011 – 2012 school year, Tanya Creed will be filling the role of secretary and Michele Mork will be the new PAC executive member at large. They will be joining Melissa Nute, who will be staying on as treasurer. We would like to send out a huge thank you to all three PAC executive members for stepping up to lead us into a new school year with our new school principal.**

**We hope that everyone has a fun and safe summer. We'll see you in September :-)**

**Duncan Cardinal & Gret Dowd**



### Volunteer's Needed!

The PAC will be hosting an End of Year Dance on June 23<sup>rd</sup> at the school and we are looking to find some volunteers for the night of the event.

If anyone can be of assistance to the Dance Committee with people to cook hotdogs, help with food service, ticket sales & man the door and washrooms. Also looking for a BBQ for the evening! Please contact Genita ([genita@shaw.ca](mailto:genita@shaw.ca)) to volunteer or for more info.

It was a lot of fun last year and I'm sure it'll be just as much fun this year!



### Year End Dance – June 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Theme: Fun at the Beach**

**Date: June 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Time: 6:30 to 8:30**

**Tickets: \$2 at the door**

**Food: \$2 for a hot dog, chips or baby carrots and a drink.**

11/12 Planning Meeting : June 21<sup>st</sup>  
We will host the planning meeting for next year in place of the PAC meeting - 6:30 in the library with child minding in the gym