



SEAVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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<http://schoolsweb.sd68.bc.ca/seaview/>

Principal's Message

There has been a lot going on at Seaview since our last newsletter. You can see many amazing projects students have been producing on display in our hallways. Thank you to Mrs. Neave and division 11 for sharing their learning about the concept of 100 in our front entrance display case.

On February 28th nine grade 7 students presented a Pink Shirt Day assembly. They referenced the importance of each student taking the responsibility to be kind to others. This included each class making a pledge to kindness. Please be sure to take some time to discuss with your child how they plan on being kind.

Recently, we received a \$1000 grant for our garden from the District of Lantzville. Thank you to Mrs. Davis for all of her hard work in preparing the grant. This along with our Grow the Garden fundraiser should assure our garden teaching program can continue.

I would like to welcome Ms. Justine Keefer who has joined our staff to provide additional supports in division 1. She is here on Wednesday mornings.

Spring Break begins tomorrow and it coincides with Easer. This means school reopens on Tuesday, April 3rd. I wish everyone a restful and safe holiday and hope students return rejuvenated for the final run to June.

Sincerely,
David Cooper

Successful Learning Traits

Last year we began a school wide focus on the eight successful learning traits and how they connect to the core competencies in the BC curriculum. You may have noticed posters in the hallway and classrooms displaying the learning traits. Each class is exploring the traits in different ways and encouraging students to use them regularly. Below are the traits and the catch phrase for each. There is also a link for you to find out more. Please take a moment to discuss the traits with your child and how they use them.

- *Creative – I find my own way!*
- *Thoughtful – I am a thinker!*
- *Strategic – I work smart!*
- *Compassionate – I am kind!*
- *Industrious – I take action!*
- *Confident – I can do it!*
- *Risk Taking – I am bold!*
- *Enthusiastic – I love to learn!*

<https://www.successfullearners.ca/>

Library News

The library is always busy with learning going on. Here are a few things that have been happening.

Abigail, Taylor, Carson, and Grace from Ms. Magrath's class organized a bake sale at our school to raise funds and awareness about bat conservation. In one lunch hour these students raised \$137 dollars. This money was donated to the Canadian Wildlife Federation and helped in the protection of 46 Big Brown Bats over the winter, who without the support would have not survived. Thank you to all those students and families who supported this bake sale and to these students who worked so hard on their conservation project. If you would like to find out more information on the conservation of these bats you can check it out on this website.

Thank you

<http://cwf-fcf.org/en/explore-our-work/endangered-species/help-the-bats>

Reading Link Challenge is a province-wide program for students in grades 4 and 5 that promotes the "sport of reading." The program is run as a series of quiz/trivia challenges with winning teams advancing to higher levels of competition. Participating children learn about teamwork and how to read for retention. Reading Link Challenge also promotes public library usage and encourages children to develop a lifelong habit of reading for pleasure.

In teams of six, children read and become familiar with a set of six selected books. At the first challenge level, teams within a school compete with each other answering questions about characters, plots and settings. The winning team at each school then goes on to the next challenge level at the local public library where the competition is repeated with a different set of questions. After this point, regional library systems may have an additional challenge level for winning teams from the different communities they serve

On February 27th, 24 Seaview Elementary students participated in the first stage of this competition. The students have been reading six books over the last 3 months and have been practicing during little and big recess for the competition. The winning team, "Reading Waves" (Aiden, Lorenzo, Noah, and Ayden) will be travelling to the Nanaimo Public Library on March 15th to compete in the district competition. Good Luck to our Seaview Students.

The Lantzville Rotary has graciously donated \$500.00 to the Seaview Library for the purchase of books. The library will be purchasing books that focus on the Successful Learning Traits that our school is working on as a community and in the classroom. Thank you to the Rotary for their generous donation.

A quick reminder that we will be having our Scholastic Book Fair on April 24-26. You will be able to browse and buy books before and after school on these days in the library, as well as at night during our Learning Showcase on April 25th. If you would like to volunteer for the Book Fair please see Mrs. Canty in the library. Thank you for supporting our school and our library by joining us at our Saddle Up and Read Scholastic Book Fair.

Our school will be participating in the Plastic Bag Grab Challenge. The Plastic Bag Grab Challenge is a waste reduction program for elementary schools across Canada that engages schools and students on the 3Rs: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Students will collect as many single-use plastic bags from their homes and communities as they can for recycling. The challenge will reward schools that encourage and promote ideas and solutions that result in reducing how many bags are used and wasted in their communities. Students are encouraged to bring in single use plastic bags from April 3-April 20th. We will be delivering all bags collected to the local Walmart on April 23rd to be recycled.

Learning Showcase

Seaview is holding the annual learning showcase on Wednesday, April 25th. The event will showcase student work that demonstrates their ability and skills in a variety of subject areas. There will be three times that the work will be on display: 11:00-11:30, 1:30-2:00, and 6:00-7:00. Families are welcome to attend any of these sessions.

Bookfest

BookFest 2018 is taking place Saturday, May 12th in downtown Nanaimo. The hub of activity will be in the Diana Krall Plaza, while the presenter sessions are held in the **Vancouver Island Conference Centre** and the **Harbourfront Library**. Tickets are \$10 per child for 3 sessions, to a maximum of \$25 per family. Featured books will be available for purchase and author book-signing will be held at the end of the day.

Read about our presenters and check out the BookFest schedule at Bookfest.ca. Tickets will be available for purchase on the morning of the event, or buy your tickets in advance: <https://www.bookfest.ca/>

Cheques to Seaview

When paying for various items, events, etc. at Seaview, please make cheques payable to School District #68

Registration for 2018-2019

There is a new process for school registration. Registration is done online; not at the school. See below for district information on how to register

A new convenient and streamlined process to register your child in Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools is in place.

The following information will help determine if this process will apply to you. If your answer is yes to any of the following questions, you will register through the new online registration process:

- Is my child new to Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools?
- **Do I have a child that will be turning five years old on or before December 31, 2018? (ie new Kindergarten in September)**
- Do I want to register my child in French Immersion?
- Do I want to register my child in Late French Immersion?
- Do I want to register my child at Departure Bay Eco-School?
- Do I want to register my child in secondary academies? (Hockey, Soccer, Beach Volleyball, Lacrosse, Baseball, Performing Arts or Jazz)
- Do I want to apply for a school transfer request (out-of-catchment)?

Before you begin, you will need the following:

- 1) A valid email address
- 2) Photo or scan showing proof of citizenship (ie. Birth certificate)
- 3) Photo or scan showing proof of Canadian residency (ie. Mortgage or bank statement, utility bill, driver's license, etc.)

Online registration began on **Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 8 a.m.** Pacific Standard Time.

Early and Late French Immersion, and Departure Bay Eco-school students will have until **January 31, 2018** to register online. Student selection will once again be determined by lottery, with parents being notified by **Friday, February 2, 2018**.

New Academy, Out-of-Catchment and Out of District student registrations will be prioritized by date and time submitted online. Deadline is **March 30, 2018**.

For more information please visit the district website or by emailing ereg@sd68.bc.ca.

GEEKCON

The Nanaimo Harbourfront branch of Vancouver Island Regional Library invites children, teens and adults of all ages to join us for GEEKCON. We have a full day of gaming and geeky events planned where participants can get their geek-on through gaming tournaments, cosplay and local graphic novelists. All events Come geek out with us!
Where: 90 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC
When: March 24, 2018. 10am – 5pm

House Points Update



Our house team competition is very close. The current House Team Point Standings are: Avalanche (41), Fire Storm (38), and Solar Storm (32), Tsunami (50).

Keep up the great House spirit especially on the spirit days!

Seaview Storm Alerts



Following are the names of some of our wonderful Seaview Students who had their names drawn at our Storm Alert Assembly.

These students received a house team pencil and a point for their house team. Their name along with all the other students receiving a storm alert will be entered into a prize draw for later in the year.

Our recent storm alert draw winners were:

Div. 1: Lilly (Solar Storm) Jayla (Avalanche)

Div. 2: Codi B (Tsunami) & Ryder H (Avalanche)

Div. 3: Grace (Fire Storm) & Amellia (Tsunami)

Div. 4: Anna (Solar Storm) & Aiden (Solar Storm)

Div. 5: Camryn (Fire Storm) & Sam W (Avalanche)

Div. 6: Alicia (Tsunami) & Faith (Tsunami)

Div. 7: Kenneth (Fire Storm) & Elena T (Fire Storm)

Div. 8: Jayden (Avalanche) & Nathan (Tsunami)

Div. 9: Kylee (Tsunami) & Sara (Solar Storm)

Div. 10: Landon G (Tsunami) & Joe H (Solar Storm)

Div. 11: Amber-Lee (Avalanche) & James (Solar Storm)

Div. 12: Jenna (Solar Storm) & Kate (Avalanche)

Bonus: Annika-Div 2 (Tsunami) & Taylor-Div 2 (Fire Storm)

Thanks to all the students who are busy making Seaview such a great place to be!

Fruit & Veggie/Milk Program

We consider ourselves lucky to be part of the School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional program. Throughout the year this program sees nutritious foods being served to our students for free.



Fruit & Veggie Deliveries & Milk/Soy in the future will be as follows: (week of)

Apr 16	Grape Tomatoes/Milk
Apr 30	Mini Cucumbers/Milk
May 14	Tomatoes/Milk
June 4	Mini Peppers/Milk

If you have any questions about the BC SFVNP go to www.sfvnp.ca

Important Dates

Spring Break Starts	Mar 16
School Reopens	Apr 3
School Track Meet	May 2
Victoria Day	May 21
Zone Track Meet	May 29
District Track Meet	Jun 7
Gr 7 Leaving Assembly	Jun 27
All School Year End Assembly	Jun 28
Last Day of School	Jun 28
Final Report Cards issued @ 2:30	

Have a safe, restful
Spring Break.

