



SEAVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

Principal's Message

Spring has sprung. As we enter the final months it is important for students to continue to follow their school routine as much as possible. Setting aside time to study and read each day will help each student remain focused on school and their goals.

We are once again participating in the Plastic Bag Challenge. Thank you to Mrs. Canty to organize this great awareness event.

There are currently 5 VIU student teachers working on their five week practicum. They are welcome additions to Seaview.

Our Aboriginal EA, Barb Byers has taken a leave for the remainder of the year. Pauline Taekema is filling in until the end of June.

I look forward to more great work and spirit from our Seaview Community as we focus on the final few months of the year.

Sincerely,
David Cooper

Are You Moving?

Schools are in the process of preparing school organizations for the 2019 -2020 school year. It is important that we have accurate student numbers in order to project the number of classes required for next year. If you are moving to another school or district, please phone Mrs. Sanderson in the office at your earliest convenience. Or if you know of someone that is planning on registering at Seaview, encourage them to do so as soon as possible. Student space is only guaranteed to those who register **prior** to June 15. Thank you.

Registration for 2019-2020

To register your child in Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public Schools, the online, centralized **registration began on January 9, 2019**. The following information will help determine if this process will apply to you.

Take a moment and ask yourself the following questions:

1. Is my child new to Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public Schools?
2. Do I have a child that will be turning five years old on or before December 31, 2019 that will be entering Kindergarten? **Applications must be received by June 15, 2019 to ensure a placement in your child's catchment-area school.**
3. Do I want to register my child in Late French Immersion? **(see list serve for more detailed information)**
4. Do I want to register my child in Early French Immersion? **Applications will be received until January 31, 2019, at which time student selection will be determined by lottery. Parents will be notified in early February 2019. Late French Immersion Students are placed as space permits.**
5. Do I want to register my child in secondary academies? **Applications will be received until March 15, 2019, at which time student selection will be determined either by lottery or tryout/audition. Parents will be notified in May 2019.**
6. Do I want to apply for a school transfer request (out-of-catchment)? **Applications were due March 31, 2019**

For more information please visit the district [website](http://schoolsweb.sd68.bc.ca) or by emailing ereg@sd68.bc.ca.

Class Placements

We are in the process of planning the next academic year. It is important you trust the teachers and administration to build classes, which suit the students' both academic and social needs. We take a lot of care in doing classroom composition for each grade. We make up each class list in a way that maximizes the quality of teaching and learning conditions for all students. The decision for placement is based on many factors, such as: balancing academic ability, levels of independence, learning styles, social/emotional maturity, and maximizing the positive learning environment for the whole class. The classroom composition for each grade has to reflect the acceptance of all individuals within an inclusive school as we attempt to provide appropriate educational programming to all children. If you have specific educational reasons/concerns, you would like us to consider about your child, **please contact Mr. Cooper (in writing) as soon as possible, but no later than May 24th**. We do consider these requests along with all other pertinent information provided by classroom teachers and support staff. **Please note your request will be considered but we do not guarantee it can be honored.** As teachers may change schools and grade groupings are dependent on our enrolment numbers and balancing learning needs, ***please describe optimal learning environments without referring to specific teachers. We are not able to take requests for individual teachers.***

The actual division structure and teacher assignments will not be complete until September, once we have our final enrollment numbers.

Learning Showcase

Our Learning Showcase will be held on Wednesday, April 24th. 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.

Important Dates

Scholastic Book Fair	Apr 23-25
Learning Showcase	April 24
School Track Meet	May 16
Victoria Day	May 20
Zone Track Meet	May 23
District Track Meet	Jun 6
All School Year End Assembly	Jun 27
Last Day of School	Jun 27
Final Report Cards issued @ 2:30	

School Track Meet

On **Thursday, May 16th** Seaview Elementary (along with Chase River Elementary) will have our school Track and Field meet at Rotary Bowl (located near the Aquatic Centre/NDSS). All students in Grades 3 to 7 will participate in their choice of at least 3 events. Information regarding this event will be sent home next week.

Volunteers are always needed at this event. There is a spot on the permission slip to indicate if you are able to help out.

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 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

House Points Update



Our house team competition is very close. The current House Team Point Standings are: Avalanche (59), Fire Storm (49), and Solar Storm (48), Tsunami (44).

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: **Dylan** (Solar Storm) & **Annika L** (Tsunami)

Div. 2: **Phoenix P** (Fire Storm) & **Sienna M** (Avalanche)

Div. 3: **Marco** (Fire Storm) & **Xavier** (Avalanche)

Div. 4: **Elijah** (Tsunami) & **Graham** (Avalanche)

Div. 5: **Desmond** (Tsunami) & **Kamea** (Avalanche)

Div. 6: **Lucas** (Fire Storm) & **Elena** (Fire Storm)

Div. 7: **Miller** (Avalanche) & **Jayden** (Avalanche)

Div. 8: **Kenneth** (Fire Storm) & **Owen** (Fire Storm)

Div. 9: **Gianna** (Avalanche) & **Ashlyn** (Fire Storm)

Div. 10: **Madison** (Fire Storm) & **Joseph** (Tsunami)

Div. 11: **Selah** (Solar Storm) & **Dalton** (Avalanche)

Div. 12: **Emah** (Fire Storm) & **Annie** (Tsunami)

Bonus: **Abigail H**-Div 1 (Avalanche) & **Reese**-Div 3 (Tsunami)

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

Literacy

Did you know that more than half of Canadians (55%) do not have the minimum skills necessary to meet the information demands of today's world? Literacy levels affect family income, health and quality of life. Canadians with lower levels of literacy are more likely to earn less and use computers less frequently. Conversely, higher literacy skills correlate to greater involvement in community groups and volunteer activities. Working in partnership with the school to enhance your child's ability to access information is the best way to enable them to *achieve their goals and reach their potential in life*. Research tells us there is a predictable reading **slump** occurring around **Grade 4**. One might assume by then that kids can read well enough on their own, but this is precisely the time when reading material becomes more challenging. We often say: In the primary grades, children learn to read and in the intermediate years, they read to learn.

Tips:

- 1. Don't stop reading aloud to them once they can read independently—instead, simply take turns being the narrator.**
- 2. Set a monthly goal in terms of reading minutes. Chart the progress and then reward your child with a new book, sticker or bookmark.**
- 3. Encourage your child to develop an interest in different literary genres, such as adventure, mystery, fantasy and poetry.**
- 4. Develop the habit of giving books or magazine subscriptions as gifts for birthdays or other special occasions.**

Library

Congratulations to the Book Masters, Faith Telfer, Veronica Nixon, Reesa Coulson, Olivia Groess, Alexis Stenhouse and Scarlett Poole on their efforts and participation in the reading link challenge this year. The Book Masters headed to the downtown library to compete in the second round of the challenge and they did an amazing job answering well over half of the challenging questions correctly. Seaview is very proud of these students and can't wait for next years challenge.

Dear Parents and Families,

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! What better way to promote reading to our students than by supporting this important literary event.

We invite your entire family to participate by purchasing the latest and greatest in children's books. Your support of this vital literary event is a key part of helping us obtain new books and resources for our library and classrooms.

You'll find hundreds of quality books at our Book Fair with a wide assortment for all reading levels. Visit the Scholastic Book Fairs website at www.scholastic.ca/bookfairs to get more detailed information about these books. You can also watch book trailers and author videos with your child on the BookTube page. So please join us from April 23-25th in the Seaview Library. The bookfair will be open all three mornings from 8-8:30 am and after school from 2:30-3:00 p.m. We will also be open from 6-7 pm on April 24th during the student showcase. Please come check out the amazing books we have to offer. Remember every purchase helps support our library and our school! Thank you.

April 18th is Earth Day and our school will be participating in a few events to try and make

our planet a cleaner and safer place to live. On April 18th every class will be participating in the community clean up where they collect garbage in the surrounding neighbourhoods and parks and try and make our community a cleaner place to be.

We are also participating in the 2019 Grab Bag Challenge where classrooms will be collecting grocery bags (please make sure there are no rotten food left in the bags) to be recycled at Walmart. Last year our school collected 5970 grocery bags and we won first place in British Columbia. With our winnings we were able to purchase another recycle bin for recycling plastics and will hopefully limit the amount of plastic waste going into our landfills. So if you have any extra grocery bags laying around the house and would like to donate them to be recycled or have relatives or friends who would also contribute please bring them in. Although it will be challenging to beat last years amount we hope to break 6000 this year. Thank you for all your support.

During the week of April 23-26 we are promoting bring waste free lunches to school. **Waste free lunches** are packed with zero **waste** in mind, favouring reusable food and drink containers, washable cutlery, and cloth napkins over prepackaged foods, plastic bags, juice boxes and pouches, paper napkins and throwaway utensils. Any attempt to lessen the amount of waste we pack for this week in our lunch would be greatly appreciated. Every little bit helps. Happy Earth Week!!