



SEAVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Principal's Message

As we get ready to finish the month of May, our school community shifts into high gear readying for numerous end of year preparations, field trips, celebrations and sporting events.

The past month has been a busy and productive one. Thank you to Ms. Miller for organizing the school Talent Show, and to our amazing student performers that put on such a great performance. The athleticism of Seaview students was on display at our school track meet today. The turn around for the zone track meet is quick, so it is crucial those who qualify get their permission slip back immediately.

As we move toward to the end of the year, we appreciate your support in helping maintain the academic focus of your children and our students. With the increasing sunshine and longer days comes the challenge of maintaining routines around homework and bedtimes. When routines are disrupted, academic success is impacted. Please help us out by helping your children maintain their focus through the end of June. There are only a few important, busy weeks left! (29 school days to be exact!)

Sincerely,
David Cooper

School Track Meet

Many thanks to all the parents who came out and volunteered to help make this event run smoothly. Thank you to all of staff members for making the event happen. Success happens when we all work together.

Zone Track Meet

On **Thursday, May 23, 2019**, Seaview Elementary will have our Zone Track and Field meet at Rotary Bowl (located near the Aquatic Centre/NDSS). All students in Grades 3 to 7 who qualified at our school track meet have been provided the information needed. We are looking for parent volunteers to help at long jump/triple jump.

Are You Moving?

Schools will soon be 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.



Important Dates

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	

The school office will close on July 5th and it will reopen again on August 26th

Welcome Back to School Sept 3rd

Hul'q'umi'num Language Showcase

On May 30th there is a Hul'q'umi'num Language Showcase being held at Ladysmith Secondary School. There are a number of Nanaimo schools participating in this event. Seaview will be sending 24 students to it. There are a number of activities that will be shared in Hul'q'umi'num.

We will also be having a Seaview School Hul'q'umi'num Language Showcase on Thursday, June 13th at 1:00 in the gym. Many of our classes are going to be sharing their learnings from Mr. Manson (Hul'q'umi'num Language Teacher), including a play being performed by a group of intermediate students. Families are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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 celebrate their success.*
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.*
5. *Don't forget to visit the public library regularly.*

Field Trips

There are several fieldtrips planned for students over the last 6 weeks of school. Please remember to check backpacks and planners regularly and watch for permission slips, sign them and send them in to the classroom teacher. We are unable to take verbal permission or make phone calls home the day of the trip and it helps with planning if we know which students are attending these trips.

Grade 7 Leaving Assembly

We welcome you to the grade 7 assembly on Wednesday, June 26th at 10:45 in our gym. This assembly is where we honour our Grade 7 students who will be heading off to high school in September.

Yearend School Assembly

There is an all school recognition assembly on Thursday, June 27th at 9:00 in our gym. This assembly is to recognize some student accomplishments and to honour any departing staff.

Early/Extended Summer Vacation?

If you are leaving early or enjoying a continued vacation in September, kindly call the office and let us know. It is imperative that we are aware if your child will be returning, as spaces cannot be held.

2018-2018 School Supply List

All school supplies for the coming year will be purchased by the teachers. You will be notified in September if they require any additional items ie: calculators, binders, gym strip and indoor shoes. Once students are placed with their teacher for the year, a notice of the cost of supplies will be sent home. **If you see a supply list at any local store, that list is not current and has not been submitted by the school to that store for distribution.**