



# SEAVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

## Principal's Message

It has been a very different start up to the year. The students have done a terrific job of learning, remembering, and adhering to our new safety protocols. They have also settled right back to work, which is amazing considering so many had not been back in a school building for so long. I want to once again thank all of our teachers and staff for the amazing jobs they have done adapting their schedules and lessons to meet the needs of their students given these unique times.

As we are not able to gather together as a whole school for assemblies, we needed to be creative in order to continue so many of the traditions that are important here at Seaview. We did our Terry Fox assembly using Microsoft Teams broadcasting from my office, and then all classes took turns doing their run on the fields with the great support of our Grade 7 leaders cheering them on. On September 30<sup>th</sup>, we did our Orange Shirt Day assembly where we discussed and recognized those affected by the Canadian Residential Schools. We also did our annual sorting hat assembly virtually this year. The sorting hat went from class to class and put all of our new students into their house teams. There was lots of cheering and excitement bubbling out of every room of the school; it was so great to see!

In closing, I would just like to say what a great community of families we have here at Seaview. Your dedication to your children's education, your compassion for our community members in need, and your understanding and care regarding our heightened safety practices makes our school a better place for all students and staff. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know so many of you, and I look forward to meeting more of you as the year goes along.

We all look forward to working with you to help give our students a great education and enjoyable 2020-2021 school year.

Sincerely,

*Derek Snowden*

## Our Website

We want to bring to your attention to our school website. We believe you will find it easy to browse and has quite a bit of information. Always check out the calendar for the latest updates of what is going on. Check us out at: <http://sv.schools.sd68.bc.ca/>

## Early Detection: Phoning in Absences

The early detection system is for the safety of all students at Seaview. The answering machine is turned on each evening so parents may call before 8 am to report students who will be absent or late. This program is for the safety of your child. All absences and late arrivals should be called in. When leaving a message please state your child's name, division and whether they are ill, at an appointment, on vacation, etc. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

**Please be sure to keep us informed of any changes to your personal or emergency contact information.**

## Students Arriving Late

The beginning of each school day is a very valuable time. Being late to class can impact your child's day as critical information (ie shape of the day) is covered early on, as are the morning announcements. Being late can also cause distractions for students and staff. Please ensure your child arrives to school by 8:35 to maximize their learning at school.

## Remembrance Day

Our Remembrance Day Assembly will be held at 10:45 on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. This year, we will be doing a virtual assembly so all the classes can participate and watch from their classrooms.

## Emergency Drills

Throughout each year, we complete a series of specified drills to practice procedures for fires, earthquakes, lockdowns, and other emergency situations. Please talk about these drills with your children to make sure they know they are safe and they understand the importance of taking the drills seriously.

We have already done a lockdown drill, a fire drill, and two earthquake drills including the recent province-wide Great Shakeout on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Students and staff have done an excellent job on all drills so far this year. Great work Seaview!

## Important Dates

Pro D Day (No School)	Oct 23
Remembrance Day Assembly	Nov 10
Remembrance Day (No School)	Nov 11
Christmas Break Begins	Dec 18
School Reopens	Jan 4
Report Cards Issued	Feb 10
Pro D Day (No School)	Feb 11
Pro D Day (No School)	Feb 12
Family Day	Feb 15
Spring Break Starts	Mar 12
School Reopens	Mar 29
Good Friday (No School)	Apr 2
Easter Monday (No School)	Apr 5
Pro D Day (No School)	May 7
Victoria Day (No School)	May 24
Last Day of School	Jun 29
Final Report Cards issued @ 2:30	

## Halloween Activities

Our October theme day this year will be Halloween Costumes on October 30<sup>th</sup>. It is your choice if you would like to send your child with a costume on that day. Halloween is on a Saturday this year and with COVID we know many may not be going out trick or treating, and that it will look different. Also, don't forget that we change our clocks go back one hour on October 31st (when you go to bed.)

### A few words about Halloween costumes:

Since we are a school, and we have children as young as 4 years old, we ask that parents and students keep this in mind when preparing costumes to be worn at school. **Costumes should not have guns, swords (weapons of any kind), nor excessive gore.**

Also, our school dress code still applies even on Halloween. This is one of those things that we ask for parents and students to use good judgment and to pick costumes that respect the viewer and the wearer.

Finally, in order to follow our healthy school guidelines, we would like to suggest that students restrict the amount of candy they bring after Halloween. Please help us by ensuring your child does not bring too much candy to school. Thank you for your assistance.



## Library

### **BOOK FAIR TIME!!!**

What would the school year be without a SCHOLASTIC Book Fair. This year our Scholastic Book Fair is going to look a little different with the Covid-19 protocols; we will be going VIRTUAL.

**How it Works** –Below is our schools unique URL that allows your students, staff, families and community to shop the Book Fair from their home while still supporting the school's library. 20% of our schools total Net Sales from the Virtual Book Fair goes into the school's Rewards. There is no minimum amount to needed to earn Rewards.

**Orders** – By shopping the Virtual Book Fair, items are shipped directly to your home. They accept all major credit cards and Visa Debit. The shop is generated by Shopify and operates like any other online shop. Order will be fulfilled within 24-48 hours. The customer will get both a **confirmation** email that their order has been received plus a **shipping** email with tracking once the order has shipped.

**Shipping** – Free Shipping on all orders over \$35 and a flat rate shipping fee of \$6 for any orders under \$35.

### **SEAVIEW SCHOOL VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR**

**LINK** - <https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5148828>

Our Scholastic Book Fair will be available from November 16<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> to place orders. The perfect time to order some Christmas Gifts and help support our school. Thank you in advance for supporting us!

## 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)

Oct 26	Baby Carrots/Milk
Nov 16	Mixed Apples/Milk
Nov 30	Spartan Apples/Milk
Dec 14	Mandarin Oranges/Milk
Jan 25	Mixed Apples/Milk
Feb 8	Snap Peas/Milk
Mar 1	Spartan Apples/Milk
Apr 19	Mini Cucumbers/Milk
May 3	Grape Tomatoes/Milk
May 17	Ambrosia Apples/Milk

If you have any questions about the BC SFVNP go to [www.sfvnp.ca](http://www.sfvnp.ca)

## House Points Update



Our house team competition is very close. The current House Team Point Standings are: Avalanche (11), Fire Storm (20), Solar Storm (14), and Tsunami (11).

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

## Seaview Storm Alerts



Storm Alerts are a way of showing students we notice when they go out of their way to do something great at school. They may have been helpful in class, supported another student in some way, shown kindness leadership during the day. Their Storm Alert ticket goes into a bin in the class, and we do a draw once a month at an assembly. Students whose names are drawn will receive 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: **Sam** (Avalanche) **Owen K** (Fire Storm)

Div. 2: **Julia M** (Fire Storm) & **Cameron** (Fire Storm)

Div. 3: **Piper** (Fire Storm) & **Oliver** (Solar Storm)

Div. 4: **Willow** (Tsunami) & **Sylvia** (Avalanche)

Div. 5: **Jaden** (Fire Storm) & **Kenneth** (Fire Storm)

Div. 6: **Benson** (Solar Storm) & **Fia** (Fire Storm)

Div. 7: **Kiyah** (Fire Storm) & **Kye** (Solar Storm)

Div. 8: **Dallas** (Solar Storm) & **Ahnon** (Tsunami)

Div. 9: **Maddy B** (Fire Storm) & **Jaiden** (Tsunami)

Div. 10: **Angela** (Solar Storm) & **Nevaya** (Fire Storm)

Div. 11: **Nessan** (Fire Storm) & **Charlie** (Solar Storm)

Staff: **Ms. Sanderson** (Avalanche) & **Ms. Kelly** (Fire Storm)

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

## Inclement Weather

As we are well into October, we have started seeing some of the cool, wet weather we would expect in the Fall. This year, due to Covid-19 regulations, we will not have any inside recesses due to poor weather. Students will be going outside to play at recess and lunch even when it is raining heavily. We thank you for ensuring your child comes to school with appropriate rain and cool weather clothing. At Seaview we believe in the importance of fresh air and outside play for all students and appreciate your assistance keeping your kids warm and dry so they can better enjoy their school day.

