December 2018

School-Wide Dates to Remember:

- Dec. 3—PAC Meeting
- Dec. 6-PAC Movie Night, 6pm
- Dec. 13—VIU Student Gym Night
- Dec. 14—Pancake Breakfast, 8am
- Dec.17-20— Christmas Store Open
- Dec. 20—Student Turkey Lunch
- Dec. 20—Concert & Craft Christmas—1pm
- Dec. 21- Last Day of School, 2018
- Jan. 7—First Day of School, 2018



#### R.O.C.K.S.

### Recognition

Our crossing guard Ms. Trish—Thank you for keeping our students SAFE



# The Bayview Bulletin

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## **Principal's Message**

Our community is truly "Paddling Together" at this time in the year—thank you to everyone for their work to get the year off to a great start. In November one of my highlights was seeing all our families at the Sharing our Learning event—it gives me great pride to see our students sharing their hard work and new understanding.

December holds many exciting events in and around the school, culminating with the annual Christmas Concert and craft event on Dec. 20. Before that, we have wonderful opportunities to come together as a community at our annual Pancake Breakfast—I look forward to seeing you!

As we head towards the holiday break, I want to express season's greetings to all Bayview families! I hope that your family celebrations will be truly blessed!

Mr. Kevin Brand, Principal

#### **CHRISTMAS STORE**

Parents, staff and student leaders will be Please remember when taking photos or running a Christmas 'store' for our students to purchase gifts for their family and friends for Christmas this year. Items in the 'store' will be very reasonably priced (10¢ - \$2) and gift wrapping will be available. If you have any gently used items to donate, please send them in. If you are able to help sell and wrap items, please let Joanne Pick (Secretary) know. We need lots of volunteers! The store will be open for browsing by students on December 17 and for buying items on December 18 & 19. Families will be able to visit the store after the afternoon Christmas performance on December 20 if there is anything left!

#### CHRISTMAS STORE DONATIONS

We are now accepting donations of clean toys and other items that would make a nice gift for another Bayview family. Please drop off donations in the office during regular school hours.

#### **CONCERT PHOTO REMINDER**

videos at school events that your photos/ videos are for your family's enjoyment only. Please be respectful of the privacy and potential sensitivities of the other children and families in your photos/videos by not posting them on the Internet or sharing it in any other public way if other children can be identified.



## Concert & Craft Event—Thursday, Dec. 20 @ 1pm

The community is invited to join us for our Christmas Concert and Craft Event. We will begin in the gymnasium and conclude by doing some classroom crafts together. Parent support for set-up is requested for 12:00pm, Doors will open at 12:30pm.



#### **LUNCH PROGRAM**—

#### **CHANGES TO PAYMENTS COMING**

Starting in January families MUST pay the minimum "Financial Hardship" rate of \$10 per month to remain on the Lunch Program.

Families that are able should continue to make their regular \$30/month contribution

We need to ensure that families make regular contributions to ensure that the program remains viable moving forward.

#### **HAMPERVILLE 2018**

Client registration is now open. Go to any Loaves and Fishes depot during opening times and you can get registered. ID for each person in your household and proof of Nanaimo address will be required to register. Check the website for more info. www.hampervillenanaimo.org

#### **HEAD LICE**

This is the time of year when head lice begins to show up. • Head lice are a nuisance. They do not carry disease and are not a health risk. Staff have noticed that having head lice • does affect students' ability to concentrate on their work. Early detection and appropriate treatment will benefit your child and significantly limit the spread of head lice in our • school. Please check your child's hair weekly and, if you • detect head lice, please notify the school and treat immediately. One of the keys is to comb out the hair every • three days for two weeks after the initial treatment. If you need help, let us know. We can send materials home for • you.

#### **DROP OFF & PICK-UP**

With an increased student population it is important that we all abide by some simple safety guidelines during morning dropoff and afternoon pick-up.



#### Reminders:

- All vehicles should park prior to children entering and exiting their vehicles.
- 2. The school zone limit is 30km/hr.
- 3. Vehicles should only park on the school side of View Street—not on the other side.
- 4. Additional parking is available on Princess Street, behind the school.

#### 2018-2019 SCHOOL REGISTRATION

To register your child in Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public Schools, the online, centralized registration will begin on January 9, 2019 at 8 a.m. Pacific Standard Time.

Do you 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.



#### **NEW YEAR LEARNING TIPS**

January, February and March are rich months to focus on deeper learning. Students know the classroom routines and expectations and can really focus on their job as learners.

How can you help your child learn and build connections?

- Talk about what you are doing; ask your child to do the same. Ask questions that keep digging deeper!
- During discussions with your child, listen with your whole mind and body. Point out when you notice them doing the same with you.
- Read with your child each day news, recipes, comics, stories and interesting facts – whatever you both enjoy!
- Notice your child's accomplishments and be specific with your praise.
- Share songs, crafts, stories, activities, interests.

Tips and info on reading with your child:

- Reading is fun; share the pleasure, read together!
- Just 20 minutes a day can grow to 2 million words a year!
- Make connections with other texts, with personal experiences and events happening in the world
- Read with expression! Take on the roles of the characters; act out the story.
- Relate to the texts by asking questions like: "How would you feel if...?" or "What would you do if...?"
- Children love hidden treasures and codes. Reading is a code we use to discover treasures.

If you are looking for specific types of books or specific levels, talk to your child's teacher or visit the librarian at Bayview on a Friday or the Nanaimo Regional Library.

Happy reading!

