

October  
2020

School-Wide Dates to Remember:

- Sept. 30 — Orange Shirt Day
- Oct. 1 — Photo Day
- Oct. 8— Teacher Appreciation Day
- Oct. 9 — Pro-D Day: No School
- Oct. 12— Happy Thanksgiving— No School
- Oct. 15— Shake Out BC
- Oct. 19-22 Parent Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 23— Pro-D Day: No School

### School Hours

**Monday– Friday**  
**8:45am–2:25pm**

**Please call the school at (250)754-3231 to let us know that your child will be absent or late from school.**

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

#### Recognition

Students came back to school with all the energy and excitement!



# The Bayview Bulletin

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## Principal's Message

Welcome back to another amazing year of learning at Bayview!

I would like to send the most gracious "Thank you" to all our students and their family/caregivers for their patience and understanding as we navigated the return to school during the pandemic.

It's almost October and just about time for Parent Teacher Conferences. We look forward to virtually meeting all parents/guardians for Open House and sharing student learning during the Parent- Teacher Conference Week, albeit, it will look much different this year. We will be sending out information in the upcoming weeks to let you know the dates/times of the virtual/telephone meeting. If you are unable to attend, remember that you can contact your child's teachers any time during the year if you have questions or information to share regarding your child's progress. We appreciate and thank you for your partnership.

Ms. Stephanie Stephens, Principal

### STUDENT VERIFICATION FORMS/ CONSENT FORMS AND EMERGENCY RELEASE FORMS

We ask that you complete them as thoroughly as possible and return them to school as quickly as possible so that we have the necessary safety contacts and medical information on file for your child. It is very important that we have two alternate numbers to call in case your child is sick or there is an emergency.

Please remember if your child requires any medication at school (e.g. inhalers, epipen, antibiotics) there is a form that needs to be filled out by the parents/guardians. All medication needs to be kept in the office.

### SCHOOL VISITATION PROTOCOL

In keeping with our District's Health and Safety policies and good practice, we ask that at this time only staff and students are allowed in the building. If you have any questions or arriving late please call the office at 250-754-3231. Thank you for your understanding.

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

#### PBIS - POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

Everyone at Bayview participates in a school-wide approach to learning safe, responsible & respectful behaviour to ensure a safe, caring, and orderly school environment. This is directly related to our school's Code of Conduct. We are focusing on 'doing the right thing' – even when no one is watching. All staff describe, teach and practice, acknowledge, and reteach whenever needed. We are reviewing our school matrix and 'Bayview ROCKS' (Respect, Ownership, Cooperation, Kindness, Safety) and reviewing using WITS (Walk Away, Ignore, Talk it Out, Seek Help) as a problem solving strategy.

We thank you for your support and encouragement of your children to 'do the right thing' and for your interest and involvement in what is happening at Bayview.



### NUT/SCENT FREE

Reminder that Bayview is a NUT FREE and SCENT FREE school. Thank you for helping to keep our students and staff safe and healthy.

## GAMES AND ELECTRONICS

### AT SCHOOL

We are asking that parents ensure that students keep any of their electronic games, game boys, Nintendo DS, iPods, MP3 players and phones etc...at home! These items interfere with lessons in the classroom and run the risk of being lost, damaged or stolen at school. The school is not responsible for these items and we certainly do not want them to interfere with the learning in the classroom. Students can use these devices for their walk to and from school, but they should remain in backpacks or with the teacher for safe keeping for the rest of the day. We encourage the students to be interacting with others and not on technology at the recess and lunch breaks. The school phone is available for students to call home or for parents to contact their child/ren during the day. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated!

### BAYVIEW PAC

Our first PAC meeting is to be announced, an email will be sent out. Come see what PAC is about. Share your ideas and make a difference for our students. Many hands make light work. These meetings will be via Zoom. The PAC Facebook page is at <https://www.facebook.com/bayviewpac>

### STRONG START

Exciting news, Strong Start is going virtual on October 1! It is one site where any family in our NLPS community can view all of the efforts and talents of our SS educators. Please logon and celebrate learning with your little ones.

### PARKING SAFETY REMINDERS

Here are some important safety reminders:

Slow down and take your time.

Only park in designated areas. Do not stop in the middle of the road or pull up onto the curbs or park along the side with the 'no stopping' signs.

Cross at appropriate spots.

Use the sidewalks and crosswalks.

Do not walk along behind where the cars are parked

If your child/ren exit out the back of the school, arrange to meet them along Princess Street behind the school as there is lots of parking available.

Thank you for taking an extra couple of minutes to follow these safety rules. We don't want anyone getting injured.

### VOLUNTEERS IN THE SCHOOL:

Throughout the year, we often have parent volunteers helping out with a variety of events and activities. The majority of the time, the volunteering is done in the classroom or in a setting where the teacher is also with the students. However, this year parents can only volunteer for our walking field trips. Volunteers will now be required to have criminal record check. There is an online system that the district is using to apply for your check. Please get information on record checks from the school office.



## SMOKING

Just a reminder that smoking is not permitted on any School District 68 property. Thank you for considering the health and safety of our children.

## BC FRUIT & VEGETABLE PROGRAM

Our school is involved in a province-wide healthy living initiative. One of the goals is to encourage healthy eating by providing fresh BC fruit and vegetables to students during classroom time. Every two weeks, produce from this program is given to students during morning snack time. If you do not wish your child to participate in this program or if your child has any allergies, please send a note to your child's teacher.



### School Notices

Most school notices will be sent home via email. If you wish to receive paper copies, please let the office know. If a hard copy of a notice is being sent home, it will be with the youngest child in a family and with children who do not have siblings in the school.

### ORANGE SHIRT DAY- SEPT 30

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in the spring of 2013. It grew out of Phyllis' story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.

Orange Shirt Day is also an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E3vUqr01kAk&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E3vUqr01kAk&feature=emb_logo)

### PHOTO DAY- OCT 1

Individual photos will be taken in a 'contactless' manner on Thursday, October 1st.

### EARTHQUAKE SAFETY- OCT 15 — DROP, COVER AND HOLD

Drop to your hands and knees. This position prevents you from falling, but allows you to move if necessary. If you're inside, stay inside. Don't run outdoors or to other rooms. Cover your head and neck with your arm and take shelter under a sturdy piece of furniture. If there is no shelter nearby, crawl to the nearest interior corner or wall while continuing to protect your head and neck. Hold On to your shelter, covering your head and neck until the shaking stops. Count to 60 before getting up, giving unanchored objects time to settle.

