

May  
2021

May School-Wide Dates to Remember:

3—PAC Meeting via ZOOM 6:00 pm

4—Fire Drill

7— Non-Instructional Day—no school

12—Lockdown Drill

13—Welcome to Kindergarten 1:00-2:00 pm

24—Victoria Day—no school

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

##### Recognition

We raise our hands with appreciation to Adam Manson, for your humour, kindness, wisdom and generosity. Adam is our Hul'q'umi'num teacher on Wednesdays. Adam supports, teaches and celebrates students and staff for speaking the Hul'q'umi'num language. Adam also provides cultural teachings through sharing stories, resources, games and total physical response. He shows us ways to include the language in everything we do. It is uy uy mut and we tli't you for what you bring and do! Hay ch qa.



# The Bayview Bulletin

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## Principal's Message

At this point in the Spring, we find our school to be a wonderful collision of deep learning and students tend to be "in the groove" of learning.

Our role as educators challenges us to take the extra energy of this time of year, and channel it into learning experiences that both inspire and engage students. We hope that you will be able to speak with your child to talk about the amazing work your child has been doing.

We are also beginning to look forward to next year, and reflecting upon the past months together. I know that we can all take pride in the hard work and achievement of the 2020-2021 school year.

Thank you to all families for continuing to work with us in focusing children on their learning during this crucial time of year. It is through out collective efforts that we stand to see the strongest gains.

*yath hakw washista uy'shqwalawun* -Always have good thoughts and good feelings

Ms. Stephanie Stephens, Principal

## Welcome to Kindergarten

Each year we welcome new Kindergarten students with a special event and school visit; this year we have the event planned for **Thursday, May 13th, from 1:00—2:00 p.m.**

Parents/Caregivers will be given a set time to come to the front of the school to pick up their child's Welcome to Kindergarten Play Pack and to meet some of the Bayview staff, including Kindergarten teachers. This event is a great opportunity to bring some of your questions about the school, and get a sense of the community.

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, parents/guardians/children are not permitted into the school and physical distancing must be maintained at all times. Masks are strongly recommended. We hope all families can attend! More information will be emailed to families soon.

**STOP** Please do NOT enter if you have any of these symptoms.

Send to your school, some symptoms are more likely to indicate COVID-19 infection.

If you or your child have any of the symptoms listed below, please follow the instructions.

**SYMPTOMS**

- Fever (above 38°C)
- Chills
- Cough
- Loss of sense of smell or taste
- Difficulty breathing

**WHAT TO DO**

**1 or more of these symptoms:**  
Get tested and stay home.  
If you have 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better.

**2 or more of these symptoms:**  
Stay home and wait 24 hours to see if you feel better.  
Get tested if not better after 24 hours.

If you are a close contact of someone who has COVID-19 and show any of the symptoms listed above: Get tested and stay home.  
Check your symptoms with the BC 24/7 Healthline tool.

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## Home Reading

It's never too late to Build a Home Reading Routine:

- ♦ **Find a reading space:** Find a cozy reading space in your home.
- ♦ **Find something interesting to read:** labels, street names, subtitles, recipes, etc.
- ♦ **Schedule reading time:** Choose a time for reading each day. Just 20 minutes per day adds up to 120 hours per year!
- ♦ **Have fun:** Enjoy each moment and build some lasting family memories!



### CLASS PLACEMENT 2021/2022

We are in the process of planning for the next school year. During this important process, we are keeping the students' well-being foremost in our minds. It is important you trust the school team to build classes, which suit both the students' academic and social needs. 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 learning abilities, learning styles, levels of independence, social/emotional maturity, and maximizing the positive learning environment for the whole class. The classroom composition for each grade must 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 information, that you would like us to consider about your child, **please contact the Principal (in writing)** as soon as possible. We do consider this request, along with all other pertinent information provided by classroom teachers and support staff. Please note that your request will be considered, however we cannot guarantee it will be honored. In addition, please know that teachers often change schools and grade groupings are dependent on our enrollment numbers each year. With this in mind, **please describe optimal learning environments for your child, without referring to specific teachers. We are not able to take requests for individual teachers.**

### Lockdown Drill—May 12

A lockdown is called when there is a major threatening incident or threat of school violence within the school, or in relation to the school. Types of events that trigger a school lockdown include, but are not limited to the following: Dangerous intruder; Active shooter; Barricaded suspect.

At the elementary school age, we emphasize the safety aspects of these drills and do not dwell on the reasons for lockdown; however, we want parents/guardians to be aware of our drill so that you may support your child with any concerns they may have.

#### ***How you can help...***

It is natural for children to feel some anxiety about emergency procedures and drills; calm adults are the best support we can offer. The aim of practice drills is to make emergency procedures calm, routine and effective. Parents can discuss the drills with their child and reassure them that they are safe.

#### ***Parent Support during Emergencies and Drills***

If you arrive at the school during a Lockdown or Hold & Secure Drill, the school doors will be locked. We ask that you return to your vehicle until the drill is completed.

### Moving? New to Bayview?

If you are moving (and your child is changing schools) please advise the office (Jody.Lennox@sd68.bc.ca) as soon as possible. Your cooperation greatly assists us in determining our numbers and school organization for the upcoming school year. Please also ensure you have registered your child for his/her new catchment area school at [www.sd68.bc.ca](http://www.sd68.bc.ca) or by emailing [ereg@sd68.bc.ca](mailto:ereg@sd68.bc.ca)

If you know of a family moving into our school community (or has already moved in), encourage them to register online at [sd68.bc.ca](http://sd68.bc.ca)



June 15th is the district deadline for guaranteed placement in our school. After that date, we can still accept students from within our community providing we have room for them, but we may not be able to confirm this until September.

### Bayview PAC

Are you interested in joining the Bayview Parent Advisory Counsel and share your ideas and make a difference for our students? The PAC is looking for new members so if you are interested, please contact them at [bayview.pac.nanaimo@gmail.com](mailto:bayview.pac.nanaimo@gmail.com)  
Many hands make light work!

