



Lloyd George Elementary School

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November 2016

Principal’s Message:

As winter settles in, it makes student pick-up and drop off more hazardous. I would like to take the time to remind everyone that patience is imperative when driving around our school and that the speed limit is 30 km/h around our school. We understand that it can be frustrating to wait in line in front of the school while other parents are dropping their child in the morning. Double parking when dropping students is illegal as is passing a double parked car. We have asked the help of the RCMP to ensure the safety of our students.

Here are some solutions to help with traffic in the morning and after school:

- Drop off your child 5 minutes earlier in the morning and pick up 5 minutes later after school.
- Drop off and pick up a block away from the school and let students walk to school. Older students are quite capable of walking a little further and this would alleviate some of the traffic in front of the school.
- Use all four streets surrounding the school to drop off and pick up students. Students can use the sidewalk to walk to the front of the school. Not every student needs to be dropped off on Pine Street by the front doors.
- Have students ready to get out of the vehicle (backpack, mitts, toque) before stopping to drop them off. This way traffic is not waiting for your child while s/he is getting ready. If your child is not ready, go around the block one more time until s/he is ready.
- Parents should stay in their vehicle while dropping off students. If your child cannot get out of the vehicle on his/her own, find a proper parking space so you can help your child without holding up traffic.
- While waiting in line, let your child out of the vehicle even though you are not by the front doors yet. Students can walk to the front doors and when traffic resumes it will flow better.

I hope that these tips help with traffic in front of the school. **I would also like to remind everyone that the speed limit around the school is 30 km/h.** Remember that even when you are running late, you still need to be patient. The safety of our students is not worth the two minutes that you would save by rushing around the school.

Thank you for your patience and understanding, the safety of our students depends on it.

Upcoming Dates

November 8	Grade 5/6 Squeak & Squawk – 6:30 pm
November 9	Chapters Fundraiser 6-9 pm
November 10	Remembrance Day Ceremony 10:45 am
November 11	Remembrance Day - No school
November 16	Primary Bannock Sale
November 18	You Can Count on Me 8:20 am (Kindergarten parents)
November 21	PAC Meeting 8:45 am
November 25	Intermediate Bannock Sale
November 30	Merit Assembly 9:00 am
December 5	Pro-D Day – No School
December 7	Early Closure – 12:30 pm Parent Teacher Interviews
December 8	Grade 5/6, 6, & 7 Open House and Band Concert – 6:00 pm
December 12	Christmas Concert – 6:30 pm
December 16	Merit Assembly 9:00 am
December 16	Last day before Winter Break
January 3	First Day after Winter Break
January 20	Pro-D Day - No School

Remembrance Day Assembly

Our Remembrance Day assembly will take place at 10:45 on November 10th in the gym. Parents are welcome to attend.



You Can Count On Me

We are pleased to offer a presentation to Kindergarten parents focusing on strategies to support their children with at-home math activities. “You Can Count on Me” will take place in the Kindergarten classes from 8:15-10:15 am on Friday, November 18th. Please pre-register using the forms that were sent home earlier this week.



Outdoor Clothing



November is here and that means that the weather is turning cooler. Please make sure that your child is dressed warmly enough to spend recess and lunch outdoors. Fresh air and exercise are important parts of child development.

Library News

The Scholastic Book Fair is Nov 7-10th. Students may preview the books Monday and purchase Tuesday to Thursday. Parents are welcome to shop with their children before school.



School Supply Fees

If you have not already paid your school supply fees for this year, please be reminded that they are past due at the office.



Christmas Concert

Our 2016 Christmas Concert will take place on Monday, December 12th at 6:30 pm at the Sagebrush Theatre. More information will be sent home in the next few weeks.

Your Kid's Progress - Have your say on report cards

British Columbia's new school curriculum is making sure students are ready to succeed in our changing world. The Ministry of Education wants parents to share how they want to learn about their child's progress from kindergarten to grade 9. Attend a community meeting to learn more. Everyone welcome.

Details: Henry Grube Education Centre
245 Kitchener Crescent
Monday, January 30, 2017
5:00-8:00 pm

For more information please visit:
engage.gov.bc.ca/yourkidsprogress/



Internet Safety

The Beattie PAC would like to extend an invitation to Lloyd George parents to join an information session on Internet Safety - What Parents Need to Know. The session will take place on Thursday, November 17th from 7-8 pm at Beattie Elementary. Please call the school to confirm your attendance (250-374-0608).

An internet safety presentation by School Resource Officer Cst. Winkels covering current trends in social media for youth, conversations to have with your children regarding appropriate social media use, what to do if your child (or yourself) is being harassed online. Questions will follow the presentation.



Safe Arrival 250-828-0150

Leave a message if your child will be absent or late for school or email lloyd-george-office@sd73.bc.ca

PAC News

The PAC hot lunch days are scheduled for November 4th (The Chopped Leaf) and November 18th (Spa-ghet-ti). We are still taking orders for November 18th.

Chapters Fundraiser - On Thursday, November 9th, come out and do your Christmas book and gift shopping at Chapters between 6 and 9 pm. 20% of all sales during this time will come right back to the school in the form of BOOKS! Tell your friends, grandparents, neighbours...Everyone Welcome!

Movie Night - The next movie night will be for intermediate students on November 18th. Doors will open at 6:00 pm and the movie will begin at 6:30 pm. Movie - to be announced.

PAC Meeting - Our next PAC meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 21st at 8:45 am in the school library. It will be the last meeting for 2016.

Christmas Craft Fair - November 26th. There are still many spaces available. Contact the PAC for a registration form.



Board Notes

October 24, 2016

1. The Board recognized Teacher Katie McCormack who received the Outstanding Elementary Teacher Award from the BC Association of Math Teachers.
2. The Board received an update from Danalee Baker on the progress of this year's United Way Campaign. School District No. 73 was recognized and presented the Quantum Leap Award for the outstanding contributions employees of the District made to the campaign last year.
3. The Board enjoyed a presentation from Teacher Theresa Hafeli and Student Katlyn Sangha on the Google Classroom project.
4. The Board received a report on the final results of the 1701 Echo Report received from the Ministry of Education.
5. The Board received an updated report on Class Size and Composition.
6. The Board received an update on the District's School Enhancement Program submission and the funding that will be received from the Ministry of Education for the flooring project at Brocklehurst Middle School.

The next regular Board Meeting will occur on Monday, November 7, 2016 at Chase Secondary School.