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## FROM THE OFFICE

Dear Caregivers,

As we finish May, our school community shifts into high gear readying for end of year preparations.

Thanks, as always, to members of our PAC for their continued contributions to the school. Your help and assistance are appreciated by the staff, students, and McGirr community.

Many thanks to the students and staff who continue their excellent work, in these interesting times. It is a pleasure to see all of this hard work firsthand, on a daily basis.

The Zone and District track meets are coming up as well, and permission slips should be going out early the week of May 30<sup>th</sup> (hopefully on May 30 or 31). Please sign and return these the following day.

I hope you enjoyed the month of May, and I can't believe it will be in the rear view just like that, and then we will shift into high gear for the month of June.

Yours truly,

Mr. Robbie Dhillon

Principal

## VICE-PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe that it is already the end of May. This year has gone by so quickly. It is wonderful to see the growth in student learning this year. I am fortunate to talk with students from a variety of different classes about their learning and different projects in which they are engaged. I hope you have continued opportunities to talk with your child about their learning.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Jennifer Robinson

Vice-Principal

## SCHOOL CALENDAR 2022

PAC FUN FAIR	Fri June 3
Zone Track Meet	Wed June 8
Welcome to Kindergarten (AM)	Fri June 10
PAC (6:30 PM)	Mon June 13
District Track Meet	Thurs June 16
Gr 7 Evening	Thurs June 23
Formative Report Issued	Wed June 29
Last Day of School (school dismissed at 2:10)	Wed June 29
Administration Day	Thurs June 30

## APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR WEATHER CONDITIONS

The cool, wet weather can appear any time on the "wet"coast. There may be days students will ask the question "Is it an inside day?" The answer on most days is no. Students will be going outside to play at recess and lunch unless it is raining heavily. We



thank you for ensuring your child comes to school with appropriate rain and cool weather clothing. At McGirr we believe in the importance of fresh air and outside play for all students and appreciate your assistance in this regard. It is also advisable students have

a change of clothes in their school bags, including socks. Warm gloves are always a good idea as well.

## ARE YOU MOVING IN OR OUT OF THE AREA?

If you are moving (and you child is changing schools) please advise the office 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 at your new catchment area

school as well. If you know of a family moving into our school community (or has already moved in), encourage them to come in to register before June 15 as this 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.

## WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

There will be an event for all Kindergarten students that will be starting at our school in September. This event is on **Friday June 10th in the morning**, *Please ensure you have registered your child for Kindergarten ASAP*. You do not need to preregister for this event, as we will be expecting most K registrants to be present along with at least one adult.

## **SUNSCREEN**



A reminder: --to apply sunscreen on your child in the morning, before heading off to school.

## SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

Registration of course started in the new year. The following information will help determine if this process will apply to you.

# Take a moment and ask yourself the following questions:

- 1. Is my child new to Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public Schools?
- Do I have a child that will be turning five years old on or before December 31, 2021, that will be entering Kindergarten? Applications must be received by June 15<sup>th</sup> to ensure placement in your child's catchment-area school.
- Do I want to apply for a school transfer request (out-of-catchment)? Applications were due March 31<sup>st</sup>

If you answered yes to any of the questions above please go to: <u>https://www.sd68.bc.ca/students-</u> <u>parents/registration-information/</u> to register your child. For more information please visit, <u>www.sd68.bc.ca</u> or email <u>ereg@sd68.bc.ca</u>

#### YOU CAN HELP THE OFFICE BE MORE EFFICIENT BY CONTINUING TO:

- Email student absences to <u>info.mg@sd68.bc.ca</u> is the preferred communication for general student absences. (please include your child's first and last name, teacher name and reason if needed). During COVID times please indicate if sick/ill
- call the school in advance (preferably before 8 AM) and leaving a message on the answering machine that is on 24 hours a day if you know your child will not be attending school on that day and you would prefer to call, rather than to email.