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*It Takes A Whole Community
To Raise A Child*

**CHRISTINA LAKE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**



Friday - September 11, 2009  www.sd51.bc.ca/cles

WELCOME!

We would like to welcome all students and their families. We look forward to a successful learning year ahead!

NO PAPER BULLETINS

We will no longer be sending home paper copies of our weekly Bulletin. Instead, copies will be sent to email addresses on file as well as being posted on the school's website, which is regularly updated.

Please ensure you have an email address on file at the office and that it is up to date with our records.

We will provide you with a paper copy if you do not have internet access. Please call the office.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

We need to have up-to-date information to contact parents in an emergency. Please call the school office if you have changed phone numbers, cell numbers, email addresses or home/ mailing addresses.



MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Please contact the school office immediately if your son or daughter has a medical condition that the school should be aware of. Medical alert bracelets are available to students with medical, allergy or special needs. Information and forms are available from the school office.

OUR KIDS, OUR SCHOOLS, OUR FUTURE

Our Board of Education will be holding a very important forum on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 6:30 pm in the CLES gymnasium. This forum is especially for Christina Lake parents and community. Discussion will focus on future plans for our school and other schools in the district. Your input is very important and Trustees would like to hear from you. More information is available at the school's website.

WELCOME BBQ

Our Parent Advisory Council is planning a 'Welcome' family barbecue for Wednesday, Sept. 23. The barbecue will be potluck salads, side dishes and desserts. Hot dogs/ hamburgers will be provided by the PAC.

Wave Of The Future



IMPORTANT DATES

- Monday, Sept. 14
PAC Meeting, 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, Sept. 15
Our Kids, Our Schools, Our Future, 6:30 pm, CLES Gym
- Thursday, Sept. 17
Hat Day, Terry Fox School Fun
- Wednesday, Sept. 23
Welcome BBQ, Instrument Rentals

- October 6 & 7
2:15 pm Dismissal
Parent-Teacher Interviews
- Wednesday, Oct 6
Photo Day, iWalk to Breakfast Event
- Thursday, Oct. 8
Assembly, 2:30 pm, CLES Gym
- Monday, Oct. 12
Thanksgiving Day, schools closed

SCHOOL PLANNING COUNCIL

Three parents are needed to sit on our School Planning Council. The SPC assists in the development our school's plan for setting goals and outcomes for improving student achievement. The SPC meets four times per year. Please contact Mr. Chapman as soon as possible if you would like to be part of this group.

ABSENCES/LATES

Please call the school office when your child is going to be late or absent. If calling before office hours, messages may be left on voicemail #10.

PAC MEETING & AGM

Our Parent Advisory Council will meet Monday, Sept. 14 at 6:30 pm in the CLES staff room. All parents are welcome to attend PAC meetings.

Our PAC will hold its Annual General Meeting on Monday, Oct. 5 (tentative date). Election of executive members will take place at this meeting. Nominations for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and School Liaison will be accepted until meeting time. Please call the school office with your nominations.

HAT DAY NEXT THURSDAY

Thursday, Sept. 17 is Hat Day at CLES. Normally, the school rule in 'no hats' are to be worn inside the school. On Hat Day, we encourage students to wear hats in class. The hats can be ready made or of the student's own creation!



CONTACTING STAFF

We ask that parents please contact staff at the school if they have questions or concerns they wish to discuss. Please do not call staff at their homes in the evening.

REPORT CARD COPIES

Please contact the school office if you require an extra copy of report card for your child.

INSTRUMENT RENTALS

Instrument rentals for the grade 6/7 band program will be held at 6 pm on Wednesday, Sept. 23 in the classroom.

TERRY FOX SCHOOL RUN

CLES students (grades 2-7) will participate in the Boundary District's Terry Fox School Run on Thursday, Sept. 17 at West Boundary Elementary School. Permission slips with details are attached to this Bulletin. Pledges forms should be returned to the school no later than Tuesday, Sept. 22.



EARLY DISMISSAL & PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Students will be dismissed at 2:15 pm on Tues. Oct. 6th and Wed. Oct. 7th to allow time for Parent-Teacher interviews. Teachers would like to meet briefly with the parents of each of their students. Interviews will be held at the following times:

- Tuesday, Oct. 6
2:30-4:30 pm & 6:00-8:00 pm
- Wednesday, Oct. 7
2:30-4:30 pm

Please call the school office to schedule interviews.

BUS PERMISSION FORMS

Please send a note with your child if he/she will be getting off at a different stop, taking a different bus, or taking the bus if he/she is not a regular bus student. Your child must bring the note to the school office so that a Bus Permission Form may be completed for the bus driver. Thanks for your assistance in this matter.

OFFICE HOURS

DAYS 1 & 3..... 7:30 am - 3:30 pm
DAYS 2 & 4..... 7:30 am -12:30 pm

If an emergency arises and you are unable to call during office hours, you may contact the school board office (250-442-8258) to relay a message to the school.

***This arrangement should be used for emergencies only.

PARENT HANDBOOK, GROWTH PLAN

Copies of the CLES Parent Handbook and School Growth Plan are available on the school's website (click on the 'HANDBOOK' link). Please contact the school office if you wish to receive a paper copy of either.

VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

The CLES Parent Advisory Council knows there are parents in our awesome little community who are happy to pitch in when their schedule allows. Not everyone can commit to attend every PAC meeting, but if you're willing to occasionally sort bottles, decorate, prepare or serve food, we want to know.

We'd like to have a pool of a dozen or more names so we know we can call when we need a few extra hands. If you're willing to be on our call list, please let one of us know:

Heather Fletcher	447-7648
Dawn Sioga	447-9337
Angela James	447-2567
Dani Collins	447-2395

ON-GOING BOTTLE DRIVE

Families are needed to help sort bottles from our on-going bottle drive. Please come to D & D RV & Mini-Storage Wednesdays at 6:30 pm if you can help. Proceeds go towards this year's field trips. Thanks!

BADMINTON/VOLLEYBALL

CLES Adult Recreational Volleyball will run Tuesdays/Thursday from 6:30-9:30 pm beginning Oct. 5th. Teams must be registered at the school office by Thursday, Sept. 24. Forms are available at the school office. Recreational Badminton will run Mondays from 7-9 pm beginning Sept. 21. Dues are payable to CLES before play begins.

STRONGSTART

StrongStart will begin Monday, Sept. 14 at the Christina Lake Family Centre. Hours are:

- Mondays 9 am -1 2 noon
- Tuesdays 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

StrongStart is FREE....EVERYONE WELCOME!
Please bring your child's birth certificate and care card.

HOT LUNCH

COORDINATOR NEEDED

We are looking for one or more parents to coordinate hot lunches for our students. Please contact the school office or one of the PAC executive if interested.