



Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools

# Cinnabar Valley

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## Calendar Updates

- Sept 7—Regular schedule begins
- Sept 9—Family Picnic Lunch/Barbecue
- Sept 13—First PAC meeting of the year
- Sept 29—Curriculum Implementation Day - Schools Closed
- Sept 30—Professional Day—Schools Closed
- Oct 5—Individual and Class Photos
- Oct 3-14—Kerri Isham session
- Oct 10—Thanksgiving



## A note from the office ...

It is so very exciting to be starting a new school year with all of you! I am looking forward to seeing many familiar faces and getting to know our new families as well.

Cinnabar has many new staff joining the team this year. It is wonderful to see the excitement in the eyes of these dedicated teachers and support staff as they prepare to be work with you and your children.

We have a great week of learning planned for all of our students as we work on building classes. Our enrollment has fluctuated quite a bit this past week and now we will wait to find out what our final organization will be before we make the class placement decisions.

Parents sometimes worry that this first week of school is wasted instructional time given that students may not be with their year-long teacher. We look at

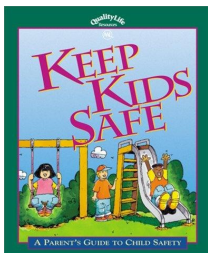
as a chance to build community, to set a positive and cooperative tone throughout the school, and to build strong relationship. "No significant learning occurs without a significant relationship" (J.Cormer).

The learning that happens in the first few days sets the tone for the rest of the year! We are excited for the year to begin!

Ms. Charles,  
Principal

For More information or to report incidents of bullying please go to

<http://www.erasebullying.ca/>



## SAFETY REMINDERS

1. Please respect the traffic cones in the parking lot—the front of the school is no stopping/no parking.
2. Dogs need to be kept on leash and securely under control. Please stay with your pet at all times.
3. Please call the school if your child is going to absent or late.
4. Please ensure that your child knows the after school plans. If something changes, a call to the office should be made as early as possible to get office staff time to communicate the change to the teacher and the student.
5. Please sign in at the office when visiting the school for any reason. We need to know who is in the building.

## STAFF LIST—2016-2017

It is my pleasure to share the staff list for the 2016-2017 School Year. Most positions are in place.

Div 1—Julie MacGregor, exchange teacher from Scotland for the year

Div 2—Jaime Skarbo

Div 3—Kimberlee Collins

Div 4—Thea Miscavish

Div 5—Susan Mullett

Div 6—Helen Edwards

Div 7—Suzanne Yost

Div 8—Nicole Quigg

Div 9—Melissa Kristiansen

Div 10—Clint O'Hara

Div 11—Rebecca Stannard

Div 12—Tanya Whiting

Student Support Services—Tony Baker and Amy Hill

Learning Commons (previously known as library) Sara Stone

Arts Education—Dylan Sharpe

Counseling—TBD

Education Assistants and Noon Hour Supervisors—Judy Holt, Kim Van Straten, Leona Davey

Education Assistant—TBD

Aboriginal Education Education Assistant—Diane Neave

Speech and Language Pathologist—Heather Phillips

School Psychologist—Dr. Christine Walterhouse

Child and Youth Family Support Worker—Sandy Walsh

Secretary—Laura Hague



**Criminal Record Checks**—all volunteers must have a current CRC. These are now good for 5 years. Everything can be done online. There is no cost, yet it is best to get this done early in the year.

Visit this site:

<https://justice.gov.bc.ca/eCRC/home.htm> You will be prompted for the NLPS access code : **Access Code: UQ4T7XXBHE**

Once you have completed and submitted the form for the online criminal record check, **please provide your school principal with your full name and date of birth.**

*All adults who volunteer in any capacity in the school are required to have a Criminal Record Check. This would include all PAC members and those people who help out with Hot Lunch on Fridays.*

