

Weekly Update from Cinnabar Valley Elementary School



January 12, 2018

Parking Lot Reminders

Parking lot safety issues are once again a concern, as evidence by the conversation at the PAC meeting on Tuesday. Despite numerous reminders, we continue to have vehicles parked in the "drop off only areas". We also have vehicles double parking, and vehicles making it nearly impossible for cars and/or pedestrians to navigate the parking lot area safely. It would a tragic for a serious incident to occur in order to change parking behaviours.

Please respect the drop off areas. Please do not double park. Please ensure that the crosswalk is visible so that students and caregivers can cross safely.

We discussed many options at the PAC meeting on Tuesday, including using cones to restrict parking once again. The best solution to the issue is for all of us to take responsibility for safety and to change habits so that children are able to arrive and leave from school in a safe manner!



Looking for Lost Equipment

Do you have any pieces of sports equipment that have mysteriously appeared in your home? The sports equipment that goes outside has disappeared ... every last piece of it! We have used different ways of signing out equipment, yet over time students have become complacent in returning it. Moving forward, we will be implementing different strategies, including holding students responsible for lost equipment (just like lost library books) so that the school is able to provide resources to all.

The PAC has generously provided additional funds to replenish our outside sports equipment, thanks to the amazing support given to PAC fundraising endeavours by the Cinnabar community.



Swim to Survive, Grade 3

A lifeguard will visit our grade 3 students on Tuesday as the beginning of the Swim to Survive program. Funded by the City of Nanaimo and NLPS, Swim to Survive focuses on teaching all students in grade 3 water safety. The focus is on drowning prevention. Please return the permission slip for these fully funded lessons promptly.



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Grade 4 Symphony

The grade 4's will be visiting the Port Theatre as part of the VI Symphony education program. The performance is free, with transportation costs covered by the NLPS. The Symphony visit is January 22, 2018. Please ensure to return these permission slips in a timely manner (they will come home next week).

Progress Reports

The first of two written report cards will be sent home on Friday February 2. In keeping with the interim reporting order from the Ministry of Education, these reports will include details comments as well as indicators, on a sliding scale from beginning to extending, of student progress at this time of the year. Please connect directly with classroom teachers should you have any questions or concerns with any of the ongoing communications of student learning.

Calendar Updates January 15-19

Lifeguard visit to grade 3 students No Hot lunch!

Tuesday January 16 Friday January 19

Just wanted to say to you and your children,

