



Virtue of the Month is Compassion



Compassion is the ability to understand the emotional state of another person or oneself. It has the added element of having a desire to alleviate or reduce the suffering of another. Compassion can help to broaden our perspective beyond ourselves. It can boost our well being by increasing a sense of connection to others.

Principal's message:

“Welcome” - new and returning families to Cinnabar Valley Elementary for the 2020/21 school year. Our student population presently stands at 281 with our school organized into thirteen divisions from Kindergarten to Grade Seven. The health and safety of our students is our top priority at Cinnabar Valley Elementary. Staff have worked diligently to ensure safety protocols and measures are in place. They are also very motivated to support our students in teaching them to learn healthy ways to cope with adversity.

We welcome to the school this year, Mr. Klan (Grade 6/7), Mrs. McNeil (Grade 3), Ms Legebokoff (Prep teacher) and Sara Griffin (Educational assistant).

We welcome back: Mr. Newton (Grade ¾ teacher), Mrs. Grimmer (support teacher), Mrs. Dolan (Speech and Language Pathologist) and Mrs. Castro our school counsellor.

It has been a very busy and productive few weeks as routines, timelines and schedules have been established. We look forward to working with parents to create a supportive home /school connection. Thank you for all your support and patience during the new year start up.

Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools values:

Vision, Mission & Values

Vision –Courageous, innovative, inclusive and personalized learning community that inspires success for all.

Mission –To educate all students to become confident, curious and caring citizens by creating an inspiring, inclusive and healthy environment to work, learn and play.

Values – Student Centred, Accountability, Collaboration, Diversity, Equity, Honesty, Inclusion, Integrity, Mutual Respect, Sustainable, and Transparency.

School Information:

*Student Verification paper forms have been sent home this week to please review and sign😊
The first primary and intermediate class to return all student verification forms will enjoy pizza!

School Bell Schedule 2020-2021 / Monday through Friday

Instructional Time	8:45 – 11:45
Long Recess	11:44 – 12:20
Instructional Time	12:20 – 1:20
Short Recess	1:20 – 1:35
Instructional Time	1:35 – 2:26

Division 1	Kindergarten	Mrs. Dodd
Division 2	Kindergarten	Mrs. Skarbo
Division 3	Grade 1	Ms. Collins
Division 4	Grade 1	Mrs. Currie
Division 5	Grade 2	Mrs. Smith
Division 6	Grade 3	Mrs. McNeil
Division 7	Grade 3	Mrs. Edwards
Division 8	Grade 3 & 4	Mr. Newton
Division 9	Grade 4/5	Mrs. Stannard
Division 10	Grade 5	Mr. O'Hara
Division 11	Grade 5 & 6	Mrs. Patton
Division 12	Grade 6 & 7	Ms. Windecker
Division 13	Grade 6 & 7	Mr. Klan

School Cash Online- District News

As you know we have made several modifications to how we operate in order to mitigate the risk of COVID-19. We want to assure you that the health and safety of your family and our staff is our high priority.

As part of those modifications, we are asking you to use our new online system to complete permission forms etc. and as a payment system (School Cash Online) to purchase school items when you can. Cash can play a significant role in virus transmission, and we are working toward following the World Health Organization (WHO) recommendations to use contactless payments to mitigate virus spread.

Paying school fees and signing school forms online is fast and easy and can be done from any computer or smartphone.

Get setup in three simple steps:

1. **Create Your Profile:** Go to <https://nlps.schoolcashionline.com> and click on “Register” and fill in all appropriate fields.
2. **Confirm Your Email:** Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside.
3. Sign in with your new login details.
4. **Add a Student:** Click “Add Student” and fill in the required fields with your child’s details.

More information and instructions on how to sign up and use School Cash Online are available here <https://www.sd68.bc.ca/schoolcashionline/>.



BC Schools Fruit and Vegetable Program

We continue to be part of this program. As part of the program, our school receives fruits and vegetables (as well as milk) that is distributed periodically. We are also very grateful to Country Grocer who continues to provide us with a weekly box of delicious apples☺

Important Dates to Note:

Tuesday, September 22nd - PAC Meeting 6:30pm

Monday, September 28th - Lost and Found at front entrance (please make sure to social distance) before & after school

Wednesday, September 30th - Orange Shirt Day

Tuesday, October 6th - Photo Day (Edge Imaging)

Monday, October 12th - Thanksgiving Day

Friday, October 23rd - Non - Instructional Day

Tuesday, October 27th - Photo retakes

Wednesday, November 11th - Remembrance Day

Friday, December 18th - Last day of classes before winter break

Monday, January 4th - Schools reopen after winter break



ORANGE SHIRT DAY SEPTEMBER 30



PAC Meeting Tuesday, September 22nd at 6:30pm

Zoom - Invites to come via Cinnabar Pac Page on Facebook or email Marnie at mstrijckers@shaw.ca

Children (up to 6 years) and their families are invited to our **FREE VIRTUAL HEALTHY START FAIR**

Early Years PARTNERSHIP

PROUDLY FUNDED BY **children's HEALTH FOUNDATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND**

PROUDLY HOSTED BY **NANAIMO CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE**

LEARN ABOUT FREE RESOURCES & SERVICES AVAILABLE DURING COVID-19

- Triple P Positive Parenting
- Family Resources
- Public Health Supports
- Healthy Eating
- Pregnancy Supports
- Early Learning & Development Supports

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19
12:30 - 1:30PM
ZOOM PLATFORM

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19
4 - 5PM
ZOOM PLATFORM

FIRST 100 PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE A \$10 GROCERY GIFT CARD
*MUST BE FROM GREATER NANAIMO

REGISTRATION REQUIRED:
NANAIMOEARLYYEARS@TELUS.NET

For more information and a complete list of partners and fairs, please visit our website at www.nanaimoearlyyears.org

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Reminders:



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