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Cinnabar News

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Principal's Message

We have four weeks left in the school year! It is amazing how quickly the year has passed. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported the students and staff throughout this unique year. We all appreciate your dedication to our students and to their safety. ☺ Thank you to our PAC members and all parents who have helped with Munch-a-lunch, field trips, track and field events, Talent Show and everyone who has attended meetings.

We wish all of our grade 7 students well as they transition to high school. Congratulations as you embark on a new chapter of your educational journey. It warms our hearts to celebrate each of you as you have your own distinctive talents and strengths which make you special. You will always have a special place in our hearts.

We look forward to spending one final month with our Cinnabar Community and hope everyone has a safe, healthy and happy summer.

Mrs. Young and the Cinnabar Staff

Save the Date!

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| June | Indigenous History Month & Pride Month |
| June 1 | Rainbow Day |
| June 6-8 | Book Fair |
| June 8 | World Ocean Day |
| June 14 | In- person PAC Meeting 6pm |
| June 15 | 80s Day/ Gr 7 Event Night |
| June 18 | Father's Day |
| June 21 | Indigenous Peoples' Day |
| June 26 | Grade 7 Leaving Celebration/ Formal Dress Up Day |
| June 29 | Last Day for students/ Report Cards go home |

Happy Summer Vacation!

As always please check your child's agenda for individual class events and field trips.

Please check out all of our celebrations and events on our website: <https://cb.schoolsweb.sd68.bc.ca/>



June is **Indigenous History Month and June 21 is Indigenous Peoples' Day**. Truth and Reconciliation is a significant goal of the Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools (NLPS). The goal of reconciliation was established by the Board of Education in response to Canada's Truth & Reconciliation Calls to Action and is underpinned by the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). In partnership, NLPS and Indigenous Knowledge Keepers are committed to continue working together on the journey of reconciliation. Please take the time to learn more information by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1559222623218/1559222644174>

MONTHLY HULQUMINUM WORD

We acknowledge each day that we live, work, learn and play on the unceded and traditional territories of the Snuneymuw (se-nae-mo) people and for that we are grateful. Each month I'd like to share one Hulquminum word as one way to work on our goal of truth and reconciliation. <https://youtu.be/cTYIDQnBgVE> Put your coat on.

The **GoByBike week** is coming up, May 29 - June 5.

Everyone is invited to participate. If you want to join the Cinnabar team and log your rides, you can join at <https://gobybikebc.ca/>

We hope to do a few group commutes again this year; we'll keep you posted on the dates and routes.

Are You Moving?

If you know that you are moving away and will be withdrawing your student(s) from Cinnabar for the next School Year, please contact the school at 250-716-1030 to let us know as we are beginning to plan for next year. If you know of new families to the area, please encourage them to register their child/ren online at www.sd68.bc.ca. Thank you.

School Supplies

Teachers will be placing bulk orders of all supplies for September. The cost per child is \$50 dollars which includes all classroom supplies (\$40) and a planner (\$8), \$2 fee. All payments can be made online using the KEV online payment system in September. Please do not send cash with your child. More information will be shared in September.

Jump Rope for Heart

We would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to Ms. Scott for her efforts in organizing and leading our Jump Rope for Heart event. We would also like to thank all the families who generously donated to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. If you haven't had the chance to donate yet, there's still time! You can contribute until the end of the day. Simply visit our school's direct URL link at

<https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/19511>. Your support is greatly valued and will make a difference in the fight against heart disease.

PAC News

Thank you to all the parents and guardians who have participated in and have come out to support activities sponsored by the PAC. Thank you to Marnie Strijckers (Chair), Stacey Dystant (Treasurer), Heather Carnie & Tara Sokoloski (Secretary) And a big thank you to our Lunch Volunteers Marnie, Tara Sokoloski, Alanna Wrock, Rebeca Easthom, and all our other PAC members & volunteers who have supported many school events, fundraisers and programs this year.

The final PAC meeting of this school year will be held **in-person** on Wednesday, June 14th at 6:00pm, pizza will be served. Please come and hear about the great work PAC is doing to support children and classrooms.

Upcoming Lunch Dates:

June 2 – EDO

June 9 Subway

June 16 – Panago

June 22 (Thursday) – Costco Hot Dog Day

Grade 7 Parents

Grade 7 teachers are organizing several year-end activities for the grade 7 students. These activities include field trips, a PAC led evening of fun and a leaving ceremony. Information for the leaving ceremony will be sent by the classroom teachers to grade 7 families. Please look for a detailed email from the grade 7 teachers later this week.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING AND OUR VALUE FOR THIS MONTH: Diversity/Inclusion

Diversity and inclusion are about capturing the uniqueness of the individual; creating an environment that values and respects individuals for their talents, skills and abilities.

"Our differences make us unique, but our similarities bring us together."

Explanation: This quote highlights the importance of recognizing and appreciating differences among individuals, such as race, ethnicity, culture, religion, abilities, etc., while also recognizing the commonalities that unite us as humans. Embracing diversity and celebrating differences can help us learn from each other, broaden our perspectives, and build stronger communities.

\$2 MYSTERY BAG SALE (PREVIOUSLY OWNED TOYS & TRINKETS)

Don't miss out on our exciting \$2 Mystery Bag Sale! We will be selling previously owned toys and trinkets to raise money for our library. Join us outside the library after school on Wednesday, May 31st. Be sure to grab a bag and uncover some hidden treasures while supporting our library!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR – JUNE 6,7 & 8

Our ever-popular book fair returns next week to our Library. Purchases will be available on June 6 & 7th from 2:30-3:15 and June 8th from 11:45-12:10. Payment can be made by cash, card or cheque. We will have some wonderful student volunteers helping with the fair and all proceeds will go back to our Library.

Class Placements

We are in the process of planning for the next school year. During this important process, we are keeping the students' well-being foremost in our minds. It is important you trust the school team to build classes, which suit both the students' academic and social needs. We make up each class list in a way that maximizes the quality of teaching and learning conditions for all students. The decision for placement is based on many factors, such as: balancing learning abilities, learning styles, levels of independence, social/emotional maturity, and maximizing the positive learning environment for the whole class. The classroom composition for each grade must reflect the acceptance of all individuals within an inclusive school as we attempt to provide appropriate educational programming to all children. If you have specific educational information, that you would like us to consider about your child, please contact your school Principal (in writing) as soon as possible, but **no later than (June 3)**. We do consider this request, along with all other pertinent information provided by classroom teachers and support staff. Please note that your request will be considered, however we cannot guarantee it will be honoured. In addition, please know that teachers often change schools and grade groupings are dependent on our enrollment numbers each year. With this in mind, **please describe optimal learning environments for your child, without referring to specific teachers. We are not able to take requests for individual teachers.**

School Reopens on Tuesday, September 5

Here's some important information:

Grades 1-7 students will attend for one hour in the morning from 11:00am-12:00pm. School resumes normal hours (below) on Wednesday, September 8. We will not be finalizing classroom placements immediately. Please be patient and trust that our school team will build classes which best suit each student's academic and social needs.

Monday - Friday 2023-2024 Bell Schedule

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| 8:42 am | Welcome Bell |
| 8:45 am | Morning Instruction Begins |
| 11:45 am | Long recess - outside play |
| 12:20 pm | Welcome back bell |
| 1:20 pm | Short recess |
| 1:35pm | Instruction resumes |
| 2:25 pm | Classes dismiss for the day |

Office Hours: 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

SCHOOL HOURS FOR THE SUMMER

The school will be open from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm from June 30 –July 6.
We will re-open Monday, August 28.

2023-2024 School Calendar



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| Schools open for students | Tuesday, September 5, 2023 |
| Thanksgiving Day | Monday, October 9, 2023 |
| Professional Development Day | Friday, October 20, 2023 |
| Professional Development Day | Friday, November 3, 2023 |
| Remembrance Day (<i>Observed</i>) | Monday, November 13, 2023 |
| Last day of classes before winter break | Friday, December 22, 2023 |
| Winter break – Schools not in session | December 23 – January 7, 2024 |
| Schools reopen after winter break | Monday, January 8, 2024 |
| Professional Development Day | Monday, February 5, 2024 |
| Professional Development Day | Tuesday, February 6, 2024 |
| Family Day | Monday, February 19, 2024 |
| Last day of classes before spring break | Friday, March 8, 2024 |
| Spring break – Schools not in session | March 9 – March 24, 2024 |
| Schools reopen after spring break | Monday, March 25, 2024 |
| Good Friday | Friday, March 29, 2024 |
| Easter Monday | Monday, April 1, 2024 |
| Professional Development Day | Monday, April 29, 2024 |
| Victoria Day | Monday, May 20, 2024 |
| Curriculum Implementation Day | Thursday, June 27, 2024 |
| Year-end Administrative Day | Friday, June 28, 2024 |

- STATUTORY HOLIDAY
- VACATION PERIOD
- NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY
- ADMINISTRATIVE DAY
- Truth & Reconciliation Day

(At this time the Provincial Government has not yet established if the National Day for Truth & Reconciliation will be a Provincial Statutory Holiday)

Total days in session: 188

Minimum number of hours of instruction that must be offered as per School Act and Calendar Regulation:
 853 hours of instruction for students in Kindergarten
 878 hours of instruction for students in Grades 1 to 7
 952 hours of instruction for students in Grades 8 to 12

ONLINE LEARNING (K-12): Island Connect Ed has year-round schooling with the school closed during district-wide winter and spring vacations and August 7, 2023 – August 25, 2023 for summer vacation.



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