



Logan Lake Secondary News

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MISSION STATEMENT:

Logan Lake Elementary/Secondary is a safe family of learners who value passionate effort and respectful relationships.

IMPORTANT DATES	
June 10	Grad/Commencement
June 11	Grad Dinner/Banquet
June 11	Day of Steel
June 13	Grade 7 Grad
June 14	Athletic Banquet (Gr. 5-12)
June 15	Civic Pride/Flag Day
June 29	Last day of School (12:00 dismissal)
June 29	Report Cards Issued

End-of-year Due Dates for Library Materials

The end of the year is approaching quickly, and already Mrs. Lloyd and Mrs. Lord are thinking ahead to year-end inventory. With that in mind, the two due dates for library book returns are as follows: June 3 for students in grades eight to twelve and June 10 for students from kindergarten to grade seven. Timely returns of library materials makes the end of the year much easier for our library staff. Please scour your houses and vehicles for any library items that may have been overlooked. Thanks for helping us keep on top of this challenging task.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As the 2015/2016 school year winds down, we find ourselves with less than a month to go before we head off for summer holidays. The pace of the calendar seems to quicken each passing year, and again, I marvel at where the school year has gone. June is a time where we, as educators, reflect on the learning that occurred with our students, on the personal and professional goals that we all set back in September, and on how our class and school has grown as a community. Reflection and celebration also brings critical thought of how we can build on our successes, and make some purposeful changes that will help us do better in certain areas for the next school year.

In looking back, parts of 2015/2016 seem like a blur, however, our experiences and accomplishments have left me feeling both thankful and proud. That being said, the last few weeks of a school year can be challenging... arguably the most challenging of them all for many reasons. Warm weather strays thought from task (in students and staff alike), fatigue from deep and intense learning builds, emotions stemming from eventually saying goodbye to students, colleagues and friends begin to surface, the pressure of provincial exams grows, and the many culminating events packed into the last several days always seems to be a challenge.

At Logan Lake, we are dedicated to finishing strong. Our teachers are deeply committed to finishing the work we began in September and maintaining a laser-like focus on ending the year on a positive and productive note. Our students are continuing to approach tasks with perseverance, curiosity, and critical thought. Our support staff remains focused in their support of all learners.

The last few weeks will assuredly speed by, and we are asking everyone to make them count. We are remarkably proud of what we have accomplished to date, but we are not done yet. To students, staff, and parents, let's finish strong, and end the year with passion, enthusiasm, and commitment.

In partnership,

Chris Preymak

TRACK MEET

We had 11 student athletes participate in the District Track Meet on Friday, May 27th. Thank you to Mr. Denby for coaching our students. Thank you to those parents who drove our students to the meet.



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DAY



Thank you to the members of the Fire Department and the RCMP for touring our students through the facilities during the Emergency Preparedness Day. Also, a special thank you to Brendan Humphrey and Shane Wonnacott for the time they took to answer questions, demonstrate how the different pieces of equipment work and to make sure it was a truly memorable day for our students.



PLANNING FOR FALL

As we are now into the final month of the school year, I would like to remind you of the process that is involved in planning for the upcoming 2016 year. Now that Kindergarten registration is complete, I have sent in our projected enrollment numbers to the school board office for September, based on my knowledge of new registrations, and any students who I know will be leaving the school at the end of June. Please let us know ASAP if you are planning to move before September, as every student counts when it comes to planning the classes. The number of classes and staffing is based upon the numbers I sent to the board office. The teaching staff and I will begin to draft out class configurations, and in June we undertake the exercise of class placements. The placement of students of the coming school year is a thoughtful and complex process. The primary principle considered when placing students is to find the most suitable classroom placement where the student's academic program and social/emotional needs are met in the most appropriate manner. Many factors are considered when making placement decisions: class size-instructional groupings – special needs – grade balance – behaviour/work habits-social growth and development – student learning style – male/female ratios.

GRAD



Please feel free to join us on Friday, June 10th for our Commencement ceremony. The event takes place in our gymnasium and starts at 7:00 p.m. sharp. This is a reminder to grade 11 students and parents that our tradition is that you provide baked goods, tea and coffee for after the ceremony. In return, next year's grade 11 students will do it for your graduation ceremony next year.

SCHOOL DRESS CODE

With warmer weather here to stay (hopefully!) I think it is an appropriate time to remind everyone of our school dress code, as outline in our school handbook:



Our school is considered a 'place of work' for students. It is expected that our students will respectfully represent Logan Lake Elementary/Secondary both in and outside of school. At school, and at **all** school functions, students are expected to dress in a manner and style appropriate for school. The student dress code for Logan Lake Elementary/Secondary includes the following:

- Clothing with logos and sayings that promote the use of products that are illegal, racially offensive, contain sexual innuendos or profanity, or promote any form of harassment or violence are not permitted.
- Clothing can not be a distraction to others within the learning environment. Revealing or see-through clothing is not appropriate.
- For safety and health reason, foot wear must be worn at all times (with the exception of gymnastics).
- Appropriate gym strip as outlined by your child's teacher should be at school and available to students at all times.

Please Note: In any of these violations, students will be asked to cover up or be given a school shirt to wear for the day and told not to wear the offending clothing to school again.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer School provides an opportunity to avoid repeating a required course in the upcoming school year. Summer School courses will be offered at NorKam Senior Secondary this year. Summer School will be from July 4th to July 27th. Core courses will be offered (Math, English, Socials, Science) from the grades 8 – 11 level. As well, there will be support for students presently completing online courses through @kool. There will also be support for students working on Planning 10. Students who have failed a course with a mark greater than 40% should register for the partial program (40 hours). Students who failed a course with a grade of less than 40% should register for the full course (80 hours). Registration for Summer School is done online. The link to register will be on the District's website on the last week of May.

PAC MEETING

The next PAC meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 13th. The meeting will be in the conference room, starting at 8:45. All parents (K-12) are welcome and encouraged to attend. The staff would like to thank our PAC for their contributions throughout the year. This included, fly fishing equipment, chrome books, blenders, the holiday luncheon and field trips.



LITERACY CORNER

Add adventure to your summer bucket list. It's easy to create and a great way to kick off summer. And it's something you can do with your kids once school ends. Sit together at the kitchen table and start hollering out all the things we want to do in the summer. Kids and adults alike have a great time trying to think of as many fun and crazy ideas as we can come up with.



Some ideas to get you started: sleepovers at grandparents' houses, trips to a community wood-fired oven pizza night, farmers' market visits, family swimming days, water fights, farm excursions, cooking adventures, fruit-picking, and more.

Cherish those memories. Make a point to write down favourite adventures on slips of paper and keep them in a mason jar in your kitchen. At the end of the summer, sit together and read out everything you did. It's such a wonderful way to relive the joy and excitement of summer as well as it is a great literacy activity!

A big welcome to Serena Hazel, the new Literacy Outreach Coordinator.

LOGAN LAKE LIONS CLUB

6th Annual Purina Walk for Guide Dogs is being held Saturday, June 11, 2016. At Magg's Park in Logan Lake. Registration begins at 10:00 with the walk starting at 11: 00. Help support this worthy cause, all funds raised will go towards the raising, training and placement of dog guides for those in need. Currently there are 6 Dog Guide programs these include Vision, Hearing, Service, Seizure, Autism and Diabetic Alert. Pledge forms available at the school office.

For more information and pledge sheets contact Sharon @ 778-220-9462

This walk is sponsored by the Logan Lake Lions Club

DAY OF STEEL

On Saturday, June 11th, the United Steel Workers will be hosting a Day of Steel here in Logan Lake. Everyone is invited to this exciting community event. For more information please contact the Logan Lake W.H.Y at 250-523-6229.

CURRICULAR CHANGES AND GRADUATION

The Ministry of Education announced changes to the curriculum for Grade 10, 11 and 12 students. Under the new curriculum, the path to graduation is more flexible. The grad program still spans **Grades 10, 11, and 12**, but a student's path to their Dogwood may be more varied and flexible than before. Information about the changes can be found on the SD73 website, www.sd73.bc.ca.

From the Board Meeting of: MAY 30, 2016



1. The Board recognized and presented a Long Term Service Award to Vice Principal McVittie for his years of service with the school district.
2. The Board enjoyed a Student Voice presentation from four students who attend Valleyview and Sa-Hali Secondary Schools. The students were accompanied by Vice Principal Stoutz.
3. he Board enjoyed a presentation from Teacher Erin Khelouiati and Maureen Hegadoren on the First Steps Program partnered by Interior Community Services, School District No. 73, and the Boys and Girls Club of Kamloops.
4. The Board approved Superintendent deBruijn's report on Forest Fires and Continuing School District Operations.

5. The Board received an update from Superintendent deBruijn on the 2015-2016 K-12 Regular Enrolment Compliance Audit.

6. The Board received a report from Superintendent deBruijn on Dry Grad Activities 2016.

7. The Board approved School District No. 73 participating in a Pilot Project with the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health: Data Transfer.

8. The Board received an update from Superintendent deBruijn on the changes to the Graduation Program and Assessment.

9. The Board received an update from Secretary-Treasurer Stretch on Capital Plan Submission projects and new reporting procedures.

10. The Board approved revised Policy 709.2 Educational: Aboriginal.

11. The Board received *Notices of Motion* on the following policies:

Policy 415.1 Next Generation Network (NGN)

Policy 506.3 School Fees

Policy 521.1 Extra Curricular Athletic Programs

Policy 706.2 Education Choice: Enrolment

Policy 1103.2 Maintenance of Order

The next regular Board Meeting will occur on Monday, June 13, 2016 at Barriere Secondary School, 4811 Barriere Town Road, Barriere, BC.