



## SEPTEMBER 2020

### MISSION STATEMENT:

Logan Lake Elem-Sec is a safe family of learners who value passionate effort and respectful.

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### ***PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE***

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Welcome back to all our parents, students, and staff of LLES and LLESS. I hope that everyone was able to relax and enjoy the hot summer we had even among the unprecedented times we are in. I must say we are more than excited to be back in classes and engaging our students in their learning. Although we had a few families choose alternate forms of delivery this September, our enrollment numbers remain constant. We are asking for the patience of parents, students and staff as we attempt to cater to each learner's needs and provide them with the best opportunities for a successful year ahead. We have already had some families choose to have their child return to classes that had originally chosen an alternate model. We anticipate that most of our students will be returning, at some point, as families begin to feel comfortable with the health and safety measures we have put in place.

With the start of the new school year comes the opportunity to welcome new staff. We are excited to have Mr. Blakley move into the role of Vice-Principal for both our schools. Joining our staff at LLESS this year will be Ms. Eves and Ms. Knox who will both be teaching Grade 6/7 classes. Mr. O'Reilly will be teaching in the Humanities area and we welcome back Ms. Boryszko who has taken over as our Learning Assistance Resource Teacher (LART) for both campuses. Our new staff will be a great complement to our existing staff.

Joining our staff at LLES we have Ms. Semenoff returning to us in a continuing position for our Grade 1/2 class. Mrs. Kicia has returned and will be teaching our Kindergarten class. Ms. Smith has joined us and will be teaching the K/1 class. Ms. Humphrey has accepted a position to teach our Grade 2/3 class and Ms. Spooner will be our prep coverage teacher for all grades teaching Fine Arts. The new staff are eager to join the existing staff and are committed to providing an excellent educational experience for our students.

A reminder to our parents that we have a very supportive PAC at LLES and LLESS. All parents are encouraged to become PAC members. Several

positions have been vacated by parents so they will be recruiting new members. Our PAC serves as a great collaborative role in our schools with a primary focus on our learning environment and supporting student centered initiatives. These are not fundraising positions but rather opportunities to be a part of goal setting and planning to enhance our overall educational programs. Come out and make a difference in your child's education by being part of the discussions and decisions that impact our schools. The schedule for upcoming meetings will be

determined by the PAC at the first meeting so, I encourage you to join our PAC and make a difference.

As I enter my third full year at LLES and LLESS, I look forward to continuing to work hard for our students, staff and community. I look forward to working with our caring, capable and courageous students, parents, staff, and community to create the best positive learning experiences. Let us have another great year at LLES and LLESS!

As always, please feel free to email, or call us with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

R. Collins - Principal

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### ***PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE***

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We would like to thank the following volunteers for their time and commitment to LLES/LLESS PAC: Sara Campbell, who has been a PAC Volunteer for the past seven years, and Sara Dwyer for the past six years. You will both be missed. We have a few new faces, but still two positions to fill, LLES Vice Chair and LLESS Treasurer. Please consider volunteering a small amount of your time. We understand not everyone has time to sit on the board, please remember you do not need to be a board member to attend PAC meetings, all parents and guardians are PAC members. This is a wonderful way to stay informed with what is going on at the school for your children. Please feel free to contact Alysha Stalzer for any further information at [alyshastalzer@hotmail.com](mailto:alyshastalzer@hotmail.com). We look forward to seeing you at our next PAC meeting.

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### ***NOON HOUR SUPERVISION***

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We are in need of an adult lunch supervisor for both the Elementary and Elementary - Secondary buildings. These individuals will be compensated monetarily for approximately one hour per day. Candidates will be required to complete a Criminal Records check and complete our District's Health and Safety Guidelines training. If you are interested in either of these positions or have any questions, please contact Mr. Collins at 250-523-9441.

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### ***JUMP START BREAKFAST PROGRAM***

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Big thanks to Cobs Bakery for supporting and sponsoring our school's breakfast program once again this year!



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## **MEDICAL ALERT**

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Parents/guardians of students in the school that have been diagnosed with a potentially life threatening conditions such as:

- Diabetes
- Epilepsy/Seizures
- Anaphylaxis and/or history of severe allergic reactions
- Severe asthma
- Other conditions which may require emergency care



please ensure you have completed a Medical Alert Planning form or an Anaphylactic Student Emergency Procedure Plan Form. If you have not completed them for the 2020-21 school year, please contact the school to make an appointment to do so as quickly as possible.

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## **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

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SD73 offers a program that allows families to purchase school supplies directly through the school at a savings. This once a year charge ensures your child will always be equipped with the proper school supplies. Grade 5-7 fees = \$57

School fees are due by Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. We accept cash/cheque. If paying by cheque please make it payable to Logan Lake Secondary or LLESS. Should you choose to purchase your own school supplies, your child's classroom teacher will provide a list of the required materials.

**Secondary students course fees will be sent home by the end of this month.**

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## **IMPORTANT FORMS!**

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Several forms were handed out to students last week, they included; Verification Form, Off School Ground Permission Form and Inside/Outside Media Consent Forms, GEDU and Technology Use.

**Please be sure to sign and return these forms to the school as soon as possible.**

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## **ABORIGINAL EDUCATION FORMS**

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The Ministry of Education provides enhanced funding to districts and schools for students with Aboriginal ancestry. Enhanced funding provides programs to support the success of all Aboriginal students. Students who are identified on their enrolment as having Aboriginal ancestry have the opportunity to participate and benefit from programs and services that boost achievement, engagement, culture and/or language. Parents do not need to have proof of Aboriginal ancestry to identify. There are over 60 thousand students in BC who self-identify as being of Aboriginal (First Nations, Metis, or Inuit) ancestry.

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## **TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE**

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Transportation Assistance may be granted in accordance with the public school act to parents/legal

guardians, if the distance to a designated school is more than 4.8 km.

Application forms are available at the school office. A reminder to parents who are eligible for SD#73 Transportation Assistance that a new application must be completed each year.

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## **VAPING/VAPE PRODUCTS**

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Through direction from SD 73, students will not be permitted to use vapes and/or vape products on school district property. If a student is found to be breaching these conditions, the vape/vape products will be confiscated and dealt with accordingly.

Repeated breaches of the Code of Conduct in relation to vape devices will be treated as defiance and will be subject to progressive discipline, which may include suspension from school or referral to the District Office. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms around vapes and/or vape products, please contact the administration at the school.

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## **DRESS CODE**

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At Logan Lake Elementary-Secondary School we follow the School District #73 Student Dress Code Policy. This policy has been reviewed by all homeroom teachers, it was outlined in great detail during our grade assemblies and we remind our students during the morning announcements. Copies of the Student Dress Code Policy can be obtained from the office upon request. We have put visual reminders of acceptable and not acceptable clothing for school on the walls in our building. Most of our students are doing a great job and I am confident they will continue to do so throughout the year. However, we ask parents/guardians to be diligent in reinforcing our policy with your child before they leave for school in the morning. Thank you.

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## **CREATIVE KIDS**

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Unfortunately, Creative Kids, a wonderful after school program put on by the Logan Lake WHY, has been postponed until further notice. We will update you once a start date has been set.

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## **NUT SENSITIVE SCHOOL**

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To create the safest, healthiest and most inclusive environment for all students, the school has implemented a nut-sensitive policy, which states that we will attempt to maintain an environment free of all peanuts and tree nuts.

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## **TRADES AND TRANSITIONS**

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If your son/daughter is interested in a trades tour, or other programs offered at TRU, or would just like some information about our TNT programs, please see Mr. Howard.

Students please watch for more information on the TNT bulletin board in the main hallway.



## NEW BELL SCHEDULES

### ELEMENTARY (Grades 5-7)

8:25 WARNING BELL

8:30-10:15 **CLASSES BEGIN**

*10:15-10:30 Recess (15 minutes)*

10:30-12:15 **CLASSES BEGIN**

*12:15-1:07 LUNCH (52 minutes)*

1:02pm Warning Bell

1:07 - 2:25 **CLASSES BEGIN**

2:25 DISMISSAL

### SECONDARY

8:25 WARNING BELL

8:30-9:48 **PERIOD 1** (78 minutes)

*9:48-9:58 Morning Break (10 minutes)*

9:58-11:16 **PERIOD 1** (78 minutes)

*11:16-12:10 LUNCH (54 minutes)*

12:05pm Warning Bell

12:10 -1:28 **PERIOD 2** (78 minutes)

*1:28-1:38 Afternoon Break (10 minutes)*

1:38-2:55 **PERIOD 2** (77 minutes)

## ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Wearing an orange shirt on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> and promoting the slogan “Every Child Matters”, is an affirmation of our commitment to raise awareness of the residential school experience. Ensuring that every child matters as we focus on our hope for a better future in which children are empowered to help one another.

## TERRY FOX RUN

The Annual Terry Fox School Run will be on Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. Students will be collecting “Toonies for Terry” prior to the event and all proceeds raised will be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation.



## IMPORTANT DATES 2020-2021

Terry Fox Run	Fri, Sept 25
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Mon, Sept 28
Orange Shirt Day	Fri, Sept 30
School Photos - Individual	Thur, Oct 8
Thanksgiving Day - No School	Mon, Oct 12
Parent Teacher Interviews	Thur, Oct.15
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Fri, Oct 23
Assembly for Remembrance Day	Tues, Nov 10
Remembrance Day - No School	Mon, Nov 11
Report Cards Gr 8-12	Wed, Nov 26
Informal Report Cards Gr 5-7	Fri, Dec 4
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Mon, Dec 7
<b>Winter vacation period</b>	<b>Dec 21 – Jan 1</b>
School Reopens	Mon, Jan 4
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Fri, Feb 5
Report Cards Gr 5-7	Thur, Feb 11
Family Day - No School in Session	Mon, Feb 15
Report Cards Gr 8-12	Wed, Feb 17
Parent Teacher Interviews	Thur, Mar 11
<b>Spring vacation period</b>	<b>Mar 15- 19</b>
Good Friday & Easter Monday	Apr 02 & Apr 05
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Mon, April 26
Pink Shirt Day	Tues, May 4
Report Cards Gr 8-12	Wed, May 5
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Fri, May 21
Victoria Day	Mon, May 24
Grad Commencement	Fri, June 4
Last Day of Classes / Year End Assembly/all grades/Report cards	Thur, June 29
Administrative Day - No School	Fri, Jun 30

## SAFE ARRIVAL – SCHOOL MESSENGER

Parents, if you need to report a student's absence, please use our new safe arrival system called SchoolMessenger. The best and easiest way is by downloading the SchoolMessenger App. (The app will have a blue/white icon.)

You may also go online to <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>



Please make sure you are using the .ca site. The toll free number to report a student's absence is 1-844-350-2647. If you have any questions or concerns about the system, you may contact Ms. Schrader at 250-523-9441.