



MISSION STATEMENT:

Logan Lake Elem-Sec is a family of students & staff who are caring, capable, courageous thinkers.

DECEMBER 2018



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

December will be upon us next week and we have managed to only receive minimal amounts of snow thus far. We are definitely enjoying the milder than normal weather.

We were fortunate to enjoy our Remembrance Day Assembly with students, staff and parents from both campuses. Thanks to everyone involved in organizing this memorable event.

We are very excited about the upcoming events taking place before the winter break. We will be hosting the annual Children's Christmas Sale on December 5. Please make sure you read the upcoming section for details about this amazing opportunity. Thanks in advance to the energetic volunteers who work tirelessly on this event.

We are also hosting our Christmas Concert on December 13th with a matinee and evening performances in the elementary gymnasium. I look forward to seeing everyone at the performances.

In addition, we will be hosting our annual Turkey Luncheon on December 20th. In keeping with our K-12 inclusive philosophy, we will be hosting one luncheon for all students from both buildings in the Secondary Gymnasium. Many of our local Lions Club members have volunteered to assist in preparing the meal but we are still seeking more volunteers for preparing the food on December 19th and 20th. If you would like to volunteer, please contact me at either campus.

We continue to expand our hot breakfast and lunch programs in both campuses. We canvassed the students for suggestions on offerings and will be adding new menu items in the near future.

This will be our last newsletter before the Winter Break so I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe, joyous holiday and a prosperous New Year! I look forward to hearing the stories about your holiday when we return to class on January 7, 2019!

Happy Holidays!

Sincerely, R. Collins

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NOV

Sec. Report Cards sent home	Nov 23
Pro D Day – no school	Dec 03
Kids Craft Sale at Elem Sch	Dec 05
Elementary Gr 5-7 Report Cards	Dec 12
Christmas Concert	Dec 13
Community Christmas Lunch	Dec 20
PJ Day – last day of classes	Dec 21
Christmas Holiday Break	Dec 22 – Jan 06
Back to School 2019	Jan 07



44TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE

Held on Wednesday December 5TH

- Preschool & Kindergarten attend at 2:15pm
- Grades 1 thru 7 attend from 2:30 to 4:00pm

The Logan Lake Craft Club will be hosting the Children's Christmas Sale in the Elementary School gymnasium. Santa helpers will assist children with their Christmas shopping, that way they are able to do a surprise purchase for their family. All handcrafted gifts are sold for \$6 or less and will be wrapped and ready for under the tree. We ask that children bring their money in a zip lock bag with their name written on the bag, along with a list of who they are shopping for.

Adult shopping is allowed only after all the children have finished.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

THEME: North Pole Exposure
Thursday December 13th
Matinee performance held at 1:00pm
Evening performance held at 6:00pm

In this 40 min performance you'll get a first-hand look at all the famous characters that make Christmas dreams come true: Santa's well-trained volunteer reindeer corps, overworked elves and snowmen dream of a tropical vacation, what Mrs. Claus really does on Christmas Eve, and the true spirit of the season, Santa Claus himself!



We look forward to seeing you there!

HOLIDAY LUNCH



Our annual holiday lunch will be held on Thursday Dec. 20th, at the secondary school for both LLE and LLES students and staff. Special thanks to our PAC, TECH Highland Valley Copper, Highland Valley Foods, Desert Hills Farms, and the Logan Lake Lions group. All of these groups combined will be supplying, cooking and serving lunch. Students will only need to pack a snack on this day. We are looking forward to this wonderful holiday meal!

GYM RIOT DAY



Students had a fantastic fun day during the gym riot day.

REPORT CARDS

On Friday, November 23rd the secondary students, grade 8-12, were provided with their first report cards. Some students may have had other documents and course fees attached to their reports cards. A reminder that course fees are past due and that we accept cash/cheque. If paying by cheque please make it payable to Logan Lake Secondary or LLES.

Elementary Report Cards will be distributed on Wed. Dec. 12th at the end of the day.

KAMLOOPS BLAZER TICKETS



We have several pairs of Kamloops Blazer Tickets to give away, for the Friday Dec. 28th Blazer game against the Kelowna Rockets at 7:00pm.

Parents please sign the ballot sent home and encourage your child to place it in the draw box in the office.

Names will be drawn at the holiday lunch on Thursday Dec.20th.

TRADES AND TRANSITIONS



If you are interested in any TNT programs or would like some information about trades, please see Mr. Howard.

It's **Heavy Metal Rocks** time again. If you are currently in grade 11 or 12 and you are interested in applying for this incredible program, then please see Mr. Howard for an application.

For those students attending TRU next year, we will be starting to work on the accuplacer in January 2019.

The RCMP Academy will be offered again this spring break at Brock Middle School. This is a one-time program and is open to grade 11 and 12 students only. Applications are due by Wed. Dec. 19th.

TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY



The annual TOKTWD for our grade 9 students was a huge success. Four of our Grade 9 students, along with Mr. Collins, attended a pilot project with Teck Highland Valley Copper (HVC)

for the day. Students learned about the mining processes used and the vast number of career opportunities available through HVC. HVC employs personnel for occupations such as engineers, pipefitters and wildlife management to name a few. Students were provided with personal protective equipment to wear for the day and enjoyed beverages, snacks and a pizza lunch hosted by HVC. We'd like to send a very special thank you to Jacqui Schneider of HVC for organizing the event and welcoming our school for this pilot project.



YOUTH TRANSITIONS FAIR

On November 22nd some of our First Nations Students were able to attend the Aboriginal Youth Transitions Fair held at TRU.



SD NO. 73 CAREER OPPORTUNITY

School District No. 73 is currently recruiting Aboriginal Education Workers to work at Chase and/or Logan Lake. They are also looking for Aboriginal Education Workers willing to work on a causal or temporary basis.

The incumbent must possess knowledge and experience with Aboriginal children, families, communities, and culture. Preference will go to those who also possess or are willing to acquire a Certified Education Assistance Certificate.

For more information email: Sharlene Bowers at sbowers@sd73.bc.ca, and/or Mike Bowden at mbowden@sd73.bc.ca

Or call the School Board Office in Kamloops at 250-374-0679

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

The next lunch is on Wed. Dec 12th.

Special thanks to our PAC & Volunteer parents for doing such a great job on our hot lunches. The students really enjoy it.



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. Passmore at 250-523-9441.

Important Dates	2018-2019
District Non-Instructional Day - No School in Session	Mon, Dec 3
Report Cards Gr 5-7	Thur, Dec 12
Christmas Concert	Thur, Dec 13
Holiday Lunch	Thur, Dec 20
PJ Day	Fri, Dec 21
Winter vacation period	Dec 24 – Jan 4
School Reopens	Mon, Jan 7
Project Completion Day	Wed, Jan 23
Grad 12 Exams	Jan 21 & 25
Gym Riot	Thur, Feb 7
District Non-Instructional Day - No School in Session	Fri, Feb 8
Report Cards Gr 8-12	Tue, Feb 12
Family Day - No School in Session	Mon, Feb 18

PAC MEETING

All parents are invited to attend the PAC meetings. The date for the next meeting is Monday, December 10th at 5:00 pm at the Elementary school in the Conference Room.

WINTER REMINDER

Please be sure your child is remembering to wear appropriate clothing for the winter weather. Students are playing outside during the day and they will need mittens, toque, boots and a warm coat.

STUDENTS ONE TO ONE READING

Our LART Teacher is **still looking for volunteers** to help with the One to One Reading Program for the grade 5-7 students. It will require one hour once or twice a week. If you are interested, please contact Andrea MacKenzie. amackenzie@sd73.bc.ca.





BOARD NOTES

November 13, 2018

EDUCATION TOPIC

Financial Literacy

Principal Susie Mabee and Teacher Kim Edstrom, along with students Zane Philcox(Grade 3), Ruby Conklin (Grade 4), Kieran Fellenz (Grade 6), Spenser McCue and Shayla Chadwick (Grade 7) presented how Westmount Elementary tackled financial literacy head on. With the support of its recent Inquiry and Innovation funding grant from the Board of Education they focused on pedagogy, developing community connections, real life situations and celebrated their learning with a Financial Literacy Fair.

Leadership Development Program

Certificates were presented to the most recent cohort of educators who successfully completed their Leadership Development Program (LDP). Congratulations to Domenic Comita, Cecile McVittie, Mike Koppes, Jodi Oetter, Dave Conroy, Kim Edstrom, Lana Blais, Steve Scott and Tessica Watson. The program began in 1967 as an on the job training program for future principals at the Centre for Study for School Administration at UBC. The two-year program continues to include hands on school leadership experience, presentations to district leadership staff and courses at TRU. This is the longest established school leadership program in the province. An estimated 82 per cent of SD73 principals have completed the program.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Westwold Elementary Consultation Process

Assistant Superintendent Rob Schoen informed the Board of the consultation process for the future of Westwold Elementary School. The community meeting takes place on Thursday, November 22, at 7 pm at Westwold Elementary. Westwold community members and employee groups are invited to provide feedback on the future of the school at facilityinput@sd73.bc.ca until January 19. Once the feedback is reviewed, administration will make a recommendation to the Board on January 28, 2019.

SECRETARY-TREASURER REPORT

Valleyview Secondary Expansion Update

Art McDonald Director Facilities and Transportation submitted the Project Definition Report(PDR) to the Ministry of Education. Further to the submission, the Ministry has requested information on the District's Local Capital Reserve fund balance and the associated budget for the next two years (2018-2019 and 2019-2020). The Ministry may request further information or clarification on items in the PDR over the next several months. Once the Ministry is satisfied that the business case for the expansion has been substantiated, the Ministry will seek final funding approval. If approved the project would then proceed to the design phase.

Slash to a Dash

An Order in Council by the Lieutenant Governor has approved the slash to be changed to a dash in the official name of the School District No. 73 (Kamloops-Thompson). The name change will be gradually phased in with the normal replacement of signage and collateral.

CHAIR REPORT

Congratulations

Superintendent Alison Sidow has been named as the Vice-President for the BC Superintendents Association. Chair Kathleen Karpuk extended congratulations on behalf of the Board.

McQueen Lake Dinner

McQueen Lake Dinner and Auction is Saturday, December 1, 2018 at the Henry Grube Education Centre. There is a live auction event following dinner and a silent auction throughout the evening. The cost of the dinner is \$65 per ticket (tax receipt issued for \$25). All proceeds go towards the rebuilding and maintenance of the McQueen Lake Centre. Purchase your tickets online.