



# Logan Lake Elem-Sec School

Vision Statement: Students of this community are caring, capable, courageous thinkers who are effective citizens

Grades 5 – 12  
www.llss.sd73.bc.ca

## May 2019



### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy May everyone. Well, spring is definitely upon us and so much so that it feels like we've sprung right into summer. There is nothing better than the sound of laughter and children playing outside enjoying the sunshine. With the warm weather comes tick season too. After playing on the field during morning break, a tick was recently found on a student. We encourage parents to check their child for ticks if they have been outdoor playing.

During the month of April we have had Mr Mahil join our staff at the elementary school where he will be teaching our Kindergarten class for the remainder of the year. We have also had to say goodbye to Ms. Semenoff, who was team teaching in our Kindergarten class, due to a decrease in the class size. We thank Ms. Semenoff for her hard work and dedication to our school. We also welcome back Mr. Howard to our Secondary campus and thank Mr. Fielding for filling in during his absence.

The next couple of months have historically been the busiest for students and staff, and the most difficult for students to remain focussed. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work together to ensure our students receive the best experience. The many celebrations from Kindergarten graduation to grade 12 graduation, and everything in between, are rites of passage that are earned through hard work and dedication. Please keep in contact with your child's teacher(s) to ensure they are keeping up with their studies, remaining focussed, completing home studies and maintaining regular attendance in order to reach their next level. We have an amazing support team in our Logan Lake schools to support you and your child should the need arise.

We want to say a thank you to the District's Literacy Team for their outstanding assistance and support in every K-7 class. The activities they have been sharing and engaging our students and staff in will have a direct impact on improving literacy amongst our students which is our major goal in our School Learning Plan for this year. We will continue to focus on this goal as well as concentrating on numeracy.

In partnership,

R. Collins

### SCHOOL WEBSITE NEWS

Congrats to this year's **Grad Valedictorians**, Jaydan Dick and Hannah Munro. Keep an eye on the school website for this announcement.

**Summer School:** During the month of July School District No. 73 offers a math camp for elementary students in grade 4-7 and a number of other learning opportunities for secondary students. See our school website for information at the following link; [Parents & Students Support & Help / Summer Learning](#)



We are pleased to have our new website LIVE! It is very user friendly and has some resourceful information at both the local school and district levels. <http://llss.sd73.bc.ca/>

### TRACK & FIELD



Congratulations and well done to all the students that participated in our school district zones Track and Field Zones held at TCC on May 2nd! All students demonstrated great determination and wonderful sportsmanship. Our students represented Logan Lake exceptionally! Congratulations and good luck to the following students who represent our school at the district track meet on May 10th: Ryleigh Coray, Landon Taylor, Chase Aspin, Teghan Mullin, Maddison Petrie, Eva Black, Xavier Aspen, and Mace Hill!

### LITERACY GROUPS

The SD73 Literacy teachers arrived this week to work with our grade 5-7 classes on writing skills. Our students were enthusiastic to improve their writing skills with the help of these specialist teachers and have been composing some creative pieces.

### FIRST NATIONS



It has been a busy and exciting time this month helping our Aboriginal students prepare for grad. We are excited to have three of our Aboriginal students graduating. All of their hard work and perseverance has paid off! These students will also be attending the Aboriginal Grad in Kamloops on June 10th! Thank you for allowing us to share in your grad experience and we wish you the best in wherever your future takes you! Congratulations LLESS Grads of 2019!!!



## MINI MED SCHOOL / DAY IN THE ARTS & SCIENCE

Congratulations to Landon Coray, Natalie Toner, Samantha Holmstrup, Nakayla Van Tongeren on being selected to attend Mini Med School this month. This program is a collaboration between Interior Health, UBC and BC Children's Hospital, among others, to help prepare students for a career in medicine or mental health. Thanks to parents for support and transportation.

Keep your eyes open next year if you are interested in applying! Similarly, Grade 11 students had the opportunity to attend TRU for the day, and attend classes just like university students. Thank you, students, for an amazing day, and keeping an open mind about what the future has to offer you. Grade 10's, this opportunity will be available to you before you know it, so start thinking now about what types of classes you would be interested in registering for. Ms. Whitehouse – school counsellor/teacher

## YOUNG ARTISTS

On Wednesday May 1st, three of our students were chosen to participate in SD73 Young Artists Conference at TRU in Kamloops BC. Congratulations to Emily Gaspar, Milaina Seymour and James Merchant as their art was selected to represent our school. On this day, these students were able to join other students from around the district and work with professional artists. We are so proud of you!

## YOUNG AUTHOR'S CONFERENCE

A small but mighty band of grade 5-7 students from Logan Lake took part in the 40th annual Young Authors' Conference at TRU on May 3rd. In addition to submitting their own stories and poems for adjudication, our young writers took part in a full day of workshops with professional authors and storytellers. Topics ranged from how to illustrate children's books to writing your own fantasy novel. Student work will be posted on the website <https://sd73youngauthors.weebly.com/> in the next few weeks. Congratulations to our students, and keep writing!

## APPRECIATION PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Our staff prepared and served a wonderful Pancake Breakfast to our community of Logan Lake and the entire student population from K-12 on Friday May 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all of our special guests that joined us for this wonderful morning. We hope you know how much you are appreciated!

## ONE TO ONE READING WITH STUDENTS

Our Learning Assistance Teacher is always looking for volunteers to help with the One-to-One Reading Program for grade 5-7 students. It will require one hour of your time once or twice a week. If you are

interested, please contact Ms. Mackenzie. [amackenzie@sd73.bc.ca](mailto:amackenzie@sd73.bc.ca).



## PAC MEETING

The next PAC meeting is scheduled for Monday May 13<sup>th</sup> at Logan Lake Elementary School at 8:45 am. Parents, your input is valued and you are encouraged to attend.

## CIVIC PRIDE & FLAG RAISING DAY



Both our Logan Lake schools will be participating in the Civic Pride & Flag Raising day at the Lakeview Plaza on May 29<sup>th</sup>, from 10:45 to 12:00pm.

## IMPORTANT DATES

PAC Meeting Elem School	May 13
Luv to Groove- Dance Workshop (Gr-5-7)	May 16
Pro D Day – No School	May 17
Victoria Day – No School	May 20
Summer School Forms Due/Elem Students	May 24
Wellness Day	May 28
Civic Pride & Flag Raising Day	May 29
District Honours for Ceremony	May 30
Grad 2019 COMMENCEMENT	June 07
Grade 7 Graduation Ceremony	June 10
Athletic Banquet	June 11

District wide dates: please visit Kamloops SD#73 calendar: <https://calendar.sd73.bc.ca/default/Month>



## BOARD NOTES

April 29, 2019

## EDUCATION TOPIC

### Place Based Learning – Supporting Aboriginal Ways of Knowing/Doing

BC's redesigned curriculum provides teachers with great flexibility in creating learning environments that are relevant, engaging, and not necessarily classroom-based. **Sally Zryd**, Principal, and **Dave Conroy**, Vice-Principal at Aberdeen Elementary introduced teachers **Sarah Krusselbrink**, **Stacey Kaczur** and **Shelley Marsh** who presented several place-based learning opportunities their students experienced last year through an Innovation Grant.

## REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS



## Superintendent’s Task Force on Student Safety

The final recommendations set out by the Superintendent’s Task Force on Safety are ready to be implemented throughout the District. All members of the school district community, including parents and students, will be trained and informed on identifying positive and healthy relationships and addressing sexual misconduct as it occurs. Supportive materials are being developed and will be ready for distribution in September 2019. This work will be supported by a new .4 FTE healthy relationships coordinator.

## School Fees Report

The revised curriculum for grades 11 and 12 has led to some changes in the course fee structure. Many courses were renamed, and some were eliminated. Overall, there was a fee reduction for six courses with the delisting of outdated Board Authority Authorized courses. Some fees have increased to reflect the rising cost of supplies, including fees for Foods, Woodwork and Photography courses.

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## Mental Health Literacy Strategy

The Action Plan submitted to the Ministry of Education on March 15, 2019 received a one-time grant of \$31,000 to support mental health programming in schools. This funding is a catalyst for an integrated and sustainable mental health infrastructure in the District that will include support for an additional school and family consultant.

## REPORTS FROM SECRETARY-TREASURER 2019 - 2020 Budget

Continuing enrolment growth and increased funding for student support from the Ministry of Education has put SD73 in a position to better meet the District’s priorities to improve educational outcomes for all students. The board approved the annual budget bylaw for a total budget (including special purpose and capital funds) for \$181,902,362.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND CHAIR

### Chair’s Report

- BC School Trustee Association AGM
- BC School Trustee Association Leadership Series
- VSS Recognition – Shout out to **Carla Salituro’s** Leadership class at Valleyview Secondary for the tremendous job they did in supporting the recent capital funding announcement by Minister of Education Rob Fleming. In appreciation, \$1000 has been donated to the class for future projects and activities. Go Vikes!
- Policy Handbook Update – The review of existing Board Policy is nearing

completion. The new condensed manual will be released by the end of June.

- Envision TRU - the Board has been asked to participate in setting TRU’s 10-year strategic plan.

## Consent Agenda

Superintendent’s Report as distributed April 12, 2019