

Week at a Glance Sunday, April 18, 2022

Hi Families.

I hope you found joy in some activities this weekend, ate some yummy food, and maybe even had a visit from the Easter Bunny! I know a very clever bunny visited the school last Thursday afternoon and set out eggs with clues in them. The students had to work together in their groups and find all 12 eggs before claiming their winnings from Isabel. Thanks to Ms. Purcha and Isabel for helping the bunny find our school.

A little reminder on behalf of the staff, please only send one or two small treats to school in your child's lunch this week. Thanks!

This Friday, April 22nd is Earth Day. The students and staff are planning on creating a Nature Mandala Project. Students will start this project in the forest behind the daycare on Wednesday, April 20th. Families and the community are invited to participate and add to the mandala afterschool (2:30pm) on both Wednesday and Thursday evenings. On Earth Day, Friday, April 22nd from 1-2pm families and community members, are invited to work together with the students to work on the mandala. If you have something natural you would like to add to the mandala, please bring it along. I will have some hand tools available if needed.

We are also going to mark Earth Day with a special ceremony of Awakening the Drums at 2pm. The students with the guidance of Heather Royal Brant, have made 10 Indigenous drums and tams. They will start the ceremony at 2pm Friday. Feel free to bring your own drum to help awaken the new drums. Parent and photographer, Mike Van Santvoord will be there to document the event with photos. We hope to share the nature inspired artwork in The Grapevine the following week. I am looking forward to meeting you at this creative event.

Yolanda Lehton, Vice-Principal

Upcoming Events

Salad Bar – Thank-you to Paola and Becky for helping out with salad bar last week. If you are thinking about volunteering to help with the salad bar this year, here are the remaining dates: April 21, 28 May 5 (primary only), 12, 19, 26 June 2, 9, 16, 21/23 (picnic days). May 5 is Gr K-3 only and June 21/23 are both picnic days so food can be prepared any time in advance that week. Please email me if you think you might have time to help out with these important events

Plant Sale Fundraiser

This Saturday, April 23, the annual Plant Sale Fundraiser is taking place at recycling 9:30am-noon. The fundraiser is organized by PAC and DICES and the funds raised go toward the school garden. We are accepting donations during school hours 8:30-3pm all week. Please drop off plants by the garden gate in the labeled fence area.

We are looking for some volunteers to help out! [Here is a link](#) to the volunteer schedule or you can contact Emily at dices.emily@gmail.com to volunteer.

We are also seeking donations to the office this week of items for the Mother's Day Basket Raffle – tickets will go on sale soon! Thanks to those who have already donated, we appreciate your generosity.

DICES – Improv has been cancelled tomorrow (Tuesday)

April 23 Saturday – Plant Sale – Saturday Market – plant donations accepted at the school in the fenced area by the garden

April 27 Wednesday – School Field Trip K-3 Discovery Passage Aquarium, Gr 4-7 Campbell River Museum – permission slips due Friday

May 3 Tuesday – Grade 4/5 school cycling program – Hornby – bikes and helmets need to be at the school early Tuesday morning or the Monday before – permission slips will come home after Easter – need one more driver with a minivan, if possible

May 5 Thursday – Track Jambouree – All grade 4-7 students participate

May 11 Wednesday – Div 3 Horne Lk Caves

May 26 Thursday – Grade 7 Try A Trade at Sandwick School near Vanier (Bus with Hornby)

May 31 Tuesday – Grade 7 Tour of Vanier 12:20-1:40pm

June 1 Wednesday – Whole school 5 pin bowling and aquatic center swimming field trip

June 15th Wednesday – Student –Led conferencing – parents can come to the school and have their student lead them through their eportfolios and learning journey from the year – sessions will be in the afternoon and approximately 30 minutes each – session sign-up will be around the end of May.

June 16th – Thursday – Whole school field trip to Tribune Bay Outdoor Education Center

June 21 Tuesday – National Indigenous People's Day – Whole school field trip to Filongley Park – AM will be Indigenous activities and picnic lunch PM will be beach activities

June 23 Thursday – Uke Jam Showcase Concert and School Picnic – All students will perform, showcasing the new Indigenous drums and our ukulele skills in the AM and then enjoy a picnic lunch together – it is planned to be outside the back of the school with plenty of room for families and community members to join in. The uke jam part of the concert is open to all family and community members to play and sing along. All music will be shared and need to be rehearsed at least once before the big event. More information will come out closer to the date. You will not want to miss this one!

June 27 Monday – Grade 7 leaving event in the evening TBCConfirmed

June 28 Tuesday – afternoon sports fun

June 29 Wednesday – last 1/2 day Grade 7 leaving ceremony - probably around 9:30am

June 29th Wednesday afternoon – Summer Vacation!!!!