

SASEENOS SCOOP

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Principal's Message

Dear Saseenos Families,

At Saseenos we remind students to be polite, kind, responsible, friendly, helpful and respectful citizens. With our school and District focus on "Restitution" we work with students to take responsibility for acknowledging their behavior, repairing their mistakes, helping others and moving forward with a plan. We are fortunate to have a caring and kind school community but also recognize issues do arise at times. We involve parents to help us solve problems when they occur and we appreciate your timely support.

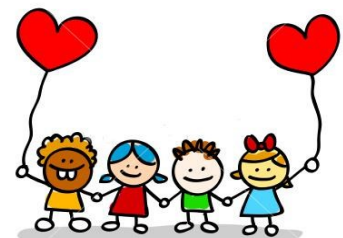
We look forward to seeing many of our Saseenos families on Saturday, Feb. 4th at the PAC Spring Fair/Vendor Market. As always all proceeds from the market go directly to supporting our students. Thank you for supporting the Saseenos PAC!

Sincerely,

Mrs. McArthur

Important dates:

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| Sat. Feb. 4 th | - PAC Spring Craft/Vendor Market 10 - 4 p.m. |
| Mon. Feb. 13 th | - Family Day |
| Tues. Feb. 14 th | - PAC organized Valentine's Day activity afternoon |
| Wed. Feb. 15 th | - Div. 1 field trip to the Government House |
| Thurs. Feb. 16 th | - Dance (Div. 3 & 4) with ArtsReach |
| Fri. Feb. 24 th | - Tri District Pro-D |
| Wed. Mar. 8 th | - Parent Teacher Conferences |
| Thur. Mar. 16 th | - Term 2 reports sent home |
| Mon. Mar. 20 th | - 31 st - Spring Break |





Parent Teacher Interviews for Term 2

Term 2 report cards will be sent home on Thursday, March 16th. **We will be holding our Parent Teacher conferences on Wednesday, March 8th after school.** This will be a regular school day and conferences will take place between **3:15 and 7:00 p.m.** If you are unable to meet with your child's teacher on this day, please do not hesitate to set-up an alternate time. We value your input and are committed to helping your child/children flourish at Saseenos.

THIS PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE TIME WILL BE IN LIEU OF THE EARLY DISMISSAL DAY ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017.

If you have visited our school in recent weeks, you may have noticed ...



- Kindergarten students working on number sense - they can often be seen working in small groups figuring out what numbers mean in a number of different ways. Way to go our future mathematicians!
- Students in Ms. Carpenter's Grade $\frac{1}{2}$ learning to research non-fiction topics; they are collecting facts on penguins!
- That salmon eggs in Mrs. George's class have hatched and are hiding under the rocks
- That students in Mrs. George's class are also studying penguins! Please read some questions they generated on the front bulletin board
- Students in Mrs. Haddad's class developing a better understanding of how BC First Nations people lived in the past
- Students in Ms. Bell's grade 4/5 class getting invited to the Government House
- Students working in small groups with Ms. Walling
- Lunch time basketball for our intermediates. Thank you Mrs. George for sponsoring this activity
- Gym full of students dancing during lunch hour on Wednesdays - thank you Ms. Stupich for sponsoring the ever popular dance club!

Basketball ...



Sports News!

Students in grades 4 & 5 have been practicing their basketball skills during their lunch hour under the expertise of Mrs. George. A notice was sent home on Tuesday. We have games against other elementary schools on the following days:

1. Tuesday, Feb. 7th - Saseenos vs Ecole Poirier A (HOME GAME)
2. Wednesday, Feb. 8th - Saseenos vs Sooke Elementary A (HOME GAME)
3. **Wednesday, Feb. 15th - Saseenos vs Sooke Elementary B (AWAY)**
4. Tuesday, Feb. 21st - Saseenos vs Ecole Poirier B (HOME GAME)
5. **Wednesday, Feb. 22nd - Saseenos vs John Muir Elementary (AWAY)**

Grade 2 swimming lessons ...

Our grade 2 students have 3 more swimming lessons left. Their last lesson will be on Thursday, Feb. 23rd.

SPRING TREASURES

CRAFT & VENDOR MARKET

Saseenos Elementary School

Feb.4th 10am - 4pm

Free Admission

Concession
Door Prizes
Girl Guide Cookies



In-school mentoring program for our students!

Over the past few years we have been fortunate to be selected by Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Victoria to have high school students from EMCS mentor our students. The program strives to do the following:

- ◆ Provide a role model and friend for girls and boys
- ◆ Promote the importance of staying in school and have healthy relationships with family & peers
- ◆ Instill trust, leadership and self-confidence in our youth
- ◆ Make a difference while having fun

We have over 20 students matched with big buddies from EMCS. These big buddies visit their little buddies on a weekly basis and engage in activities such as board games, crafts or just hang-out in the playground. We would like to thank Ms. Walling, our school counsellor, for spearheading the program and our PAC for their financial support.

PAC BULLETIN BOARD



- Spring Treasures Market Feb 4th, 10:00am—4pm
(Free admission, door prizes & Concession)
- Valentine's Dance Committee Meeting Feb 7th, 9:15 am
(Everyone welcome)
- Please be on the look out for our Purdy's Chocolate and Make it Sow Seed Fundraiser

A great **BIG THANK YOU** to all of our front line and behind the scene volunteers.
Your hard work and commitment is greatly appreciated.



HANDWASHING FOR HEALTH

Germs spread easily in a classroom. Handwashing is the best way to stop the spread of germs that cause colds, influenza (flu), diarrhea and other sicknesses. It is important that children learn how and when to wash their hands to lower their risk of getting sick.

How to Wash Hands:

- ◆ **Wet** hands under warm running water
- ◆ **Scrub** with plain soap for a count of **20**, all over hands and between fingers
- ◆ **Rinse** under running water for a count of **10**
- ◆ **Dry** hands with a clean paper towel
- ◆ **Turn** off taps with a paper towel

When to Wash Hands:

- ◆ Before and after eating or handling food
- ◆ After using the toilet, handling pets, coughing, sneezing, or wiping noses

How long is 20 seconds?

- ◆ Slowly singing “Happy Birthday” twice takes about 20 seconds

For more information contact:

- ◆ Your local Public Health Unit
- ◆ HealthLinkBC or dial 8-1-1 (a free call)
- ◆ Do Bugs Need Drugs?