



CHASE RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Mrs. Christine De Vries, Secretary
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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Well it feels like Spring has actually sprung with the arrival of sunshine and warm temperatures. I hope families are getting a chance to get outside to enjoy their favourite activities.

The learning continues to roll along at Chase River. This month our Successful Learner Trait is being industrious. We are encouraging students to work hard, especially when they run into a struggle.

The home stretch of the school year is not far off. This is the perfect time to reinforce learning at home. Keep an evening routine of reading with, and to, your child. This continued support will have a lifelong benefit to their learning.

We would like to thank families for continuing to do the daily health check (link below) before sending their child to school. Please follow the instructions on "what to do if there are symptoms." This important step is one way to help us keep our Chase River community safe.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/kindergarten-to-grade-12/covid/daily-health-check-english.pdf>



Sincerely,
David Cooper

ARE YOU MOVING?

Schools are in the process of preparing school organizations for the 2021-2022 school year. It is important that we have accurate student numbers in order to project the number of classes required for next year. If you are moving to another school or district please advise the office (info.CR@sd68.bc.ca). Or if you know of someone that is planning on registering at Chase River encourage them to do so as soon as possible. Student space is only guaranteed to those who register **prior** to June 15 as this is the district deadline for guaranteed placement in our school. After that date, we can still accept students from within our community providing we have room for them, but we may not be able to confirm this until September.



CLASS PLACEMENTS

We will soon be in the process of planning the next academic year. It is important you trust the teachers, support staff, and administration to build classes, which suit the students' both academic and social needs. We take a lot of care in doing classroom composition for each grade. We make up each class list in a way that maximizes the quality of teaching and learning conditions for all students. The decision for placement is based on many factors, such as: balancing academic ability, levels of independence, learning styles, social/emotional maturity, previous placement, and maximizing the positive learning environment for the whole class. The classroom composition for each grade has to reflect the acceptance of all individuals within an inclusive school as we attempt to provide appropriate educational programming to all children. If you have specific educational reasons/concerns, you would like us to consider about your child, **please contact Mr. Cooper (in writing) as soon as possible, but no later than May 22nd** . We do consider these requests along with all other pertinent information provided by classroom teachers and support staff. Please note your request will be considered but we do not guarantee it can be honored. It does become an important part of our planning process. As teachers may change schools and grade groupings are dependent on our enrolment numbers and balancing learning needs, **please describe optimal learning environments without referring to specific teachers. We are not able to take requests for individual teachers.**



Registration for 2020-2021

Registration of course started in January. The following information will help determine if this process will apply to you. Take a moment and ask yourself the following questions:



- ◆ Is my child new to Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools?
- ◆ Do I have a child that will be turning five years old on or before December 31, 2021 that will be entering Kindergarten?
Applications must be received by June 15, 2021 to ensure a placement in your child's catchment-area school.
- ◆ Do I want to apply for a school transfer request (out-of-catchment)? **Applications were due by March 31, 2021.**

If you answered yes to any of the questions above please go to: <https://www.sd68.bc.ca/students-parents/registration-information/> to register your child.

Before you begin, you will need the following:

- ◆ A valid email address
- ◆ Photo or scan showing proof of citizenship (ie. Birth certificate)
- ◆ Photo or scan showing proof of Canadian residency (ie. Mortgage or bank statement, utility bill, driver's license, etc.)

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT THE DISTRICT WEBSITE [SD68.BC.CA](https://www.sd68.bc.ca) OR EMAIL EREG@SD68.BC.CA



IMPORTANT DATES

These are key dates at this time. We will update families about events as they arise. Also check the school website regularly. Our calendar there is updated frequently.



Spirit Day—Western Day	Fri. Apr 23
Non-Instructional Day (Students do not attend)	Fri. May 7
Victoria Day (Students do not attend)	Mon. May 24
Summative Report Issued	Tues. June 29
Last Day of School (Dismissal at 2:15)	Tues. June 29
Administration Day	Wed. June 30



Have a Wonderful Month

