

CHASE RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We are at the halfway point of May and our school community shifts into high gear readying for end of year preparations. We are excited that our yearend will look a bit more what it was prior to 2020. We are still working through the plans and will share them with families as soon as we have them finalized.

It was great to have our school track meet at the end of April. The zone track meet will be held on Tuesday, May 31st and the district meet will be Thursday, June 16th. Students going to the zone meet have received their permission slip and information about events they are competing in .

Two fun upcoming events are a bake sale for the SPCA by Mrs. Lepage and Ms. Weber's class on Thursday, May 26th. Our May spirit day is on Friday, May 27th. It is going to be Class Colour Day where each individual class will pick a colour and try to have everyone wear that colour.

On Wednesday, May 25th we will be conducting our second earthquake drill of the year. For this drill we are going to do the usual evacuation, but also implement our full plan of setting up stations and our assembly area. Students will be informed ahead of time of what this will look like.

Many thanks to the students and staff who continue their excellent work, and to families for all your support. It is a pleasure to see all of this hard work firsthand, on a daily basis. Even though the days are ticking down in the school year, now is the time to keep the effort going. It is important to sprint to the finish and not just jog or saunter.

Enjoy the month of May, it will be in the rear view just like that, and then we will shift into high gear for the month of June.

Sincerely,

David Cooper



SD68 ENERGY CUP

Chase River participated in the SD 68 Energy Cup for the first time this year. This is a fun competition to bring awareness to saving energy and think about sustainability in schools. We were actually in a "Mini Energy Cup" where we had to participate in one energy saving activity. Our Energy Cup team decided to do 3 activities back in January and February. The activities were remembering to turn off lights when leaving a classroom or gym, Sweater Week – where the temperature in the school was one degree cooler, and Lights out Lunch – where lights were out during eating time and natural light was the light source. We are happy to announce that Chase River was the winner of the south end mini cup. Our school won \$400 to put towards an energy initiative. Our first purchase is multiple recycling bins for our classrooms to ensure that recycling is sorted and put into the correct bigger bins. Thank you to our team for making this happen - Abby, Alicia, Anwar, Damion, Ezra, Emma, Hazel, Josie, Malia, and Milly.



Registration for 2022-2023

Registration of course started in the new year. 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, 2022 that will be entering Kindergarten?
Applications must be received by June 15, 2022 to ensure a placement in your child's catchment-area school..

If you answered yest 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



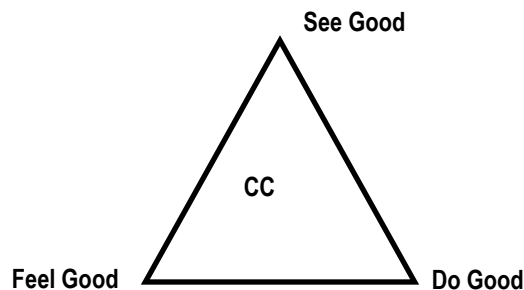
CC COMMUNITY—WE NEED YOU!

Confetti Club Ambassadors and members are calling on all parents, family members, caregivers, and neighbours...

CC's month of May continues with Spring into Kindness. CC Ambassadors, members and students are getting better and better at spotting, highlighting and/or doing kind and thoughtful things for those around them. They are *really* hoping for input and support from the Chase River Community. To date, Confetti Club has not received a single note or email from anyone outside of the school sharing about acts of kindness given, received, or seen in homes or the community...but we know they are happening. PLEASE share your positive experiences with our school. None are too big or too small; we want to hear them all. Send a note with your child or an email to me, Ms. Milk Shake at Kendra.vanshaik@sd68.bc.ca Your efforts are greatly appreciated by our Confetti Club Ambassadors, members and school community. Congratulations to Collin who was the winner of the first half of this challenge! Many staff and students recognized you (in the draw) as one of CR's most helpful and thoughtful students.

CC's newest mantra is: Do Good...Feel Good...See Good...(and Repeat or Reverse)! No matter the order these are done, the outcome is the same...and each can be done in less than a minute. Everyone who participates – by sending in their 'positive experiences' – is entered into a draw; the winning student/family chooses from an assortment of goodies donated or purchased with help from Volunteer Nanaimo and our amazing PAC.

Speaking of PAC, thanks to their continuing support, Confetti Club was able to host a school-wide 'Easter Egg Hunt' for all students and staff of our school. CC Ambassadors carefully planned in a way that was culturally inclusive and anyone with food allergies could also participate. Each student received small treats with a special note just for them...no two notes were the same! Some even worked on the weekends to get things ready! Way to go Ambassadors! First students...then staff, took turns looking for their 'personalized egg' in classrooms and spaces throughout the school. No amount of rain could dampen their enthusiasm and spirit! Students proved to be faster and better at this age-old tradition and really enjoyed watching staff scurrying around like kids looking for hidden 'treasure'. Rumour has it Mr. Eyres still hasn't found his egg. Fun was had by all and it is still being talked about! Thank you PAC for supporting such an egg-stra special school-wide event! And, we couldn't have done it without the CR-team effort.



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.



Victoria Day (Students do not attend)	Mon. May 23
Spirit Day—Class Colour Day	Fri. May 27
Zone Track Meet	Tues. May 31
District Track Meet	Thurs. June 16
Transfer Beach—Primary Students	Mon. June 20
Aboriginal Day	Tues. June 21
Talent Show	Wed. June 22
Rathrevor—Intermediate Students	Thurs. June 23
Fun Day	Tues. June 28
Summative Report Issued	Wed. June 29
Last Day of School (Dismissal at 2:15)	Wed. June 29
Administration Day	Thurs. June 30

MOVING?



Schools are in the process of preparing school organizations for the 2022-2023 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.

Have a Wonderful Month