École Willows School Newsletter

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English Kindergarten

Registration

Monday, January 28th -Friday, February 1st. 8:00 am to 3:00 pm daily.

Please remember that this program is filled on a frist come, first served basis.

French Immersion **Kindergarten and Grade 1 Registration has begun!**

Registration for French Immer-Kindergarten and French Immersion Grade 1 began on Mon. Jan. 14 and will run until Fri. Jan.18, 2018.

Registration will be from 8:00-3:00 everyday. Please remember that the deadline is firm so please be registered by 3:00 Friday...

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MONTEREY MIDDLE INFORMATION NIGHT and OPEN HOUSE

851 Monterey Avenue (250) 598-4589 Principal: Ken Andrews Vice-Principal: Liz McMaster

You are invited to our...

* PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT: Thursday, January 31

-a formal evening of presentations and school tours, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Come and find out more about our wide variety of programs, and tour our school!



Lansdowne Middle School

INFORMATION NIGHT and OPEN HOUSE 1765 Lansdowne Road (250) 598-3336 Principal—Sean Powell Vice Principal—Hilary Braid-Skolski

You are invited to our PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Thursday, January 24th, 2017 7:00 pm to 8:30 p.m.

Come and meet our teachers, our PAC and our príncipal. Fínd out more about our programs, and what some of the wonderful opportunities are that students have at Lansdowne.

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English Registration Information

Please bring with you . . .

- Proof of your child's age and citizenship status. This can be a birth certificate, passport, or landed immigrant authorization.
- Parents of children who are not Canadian Citizens or Landed Immigrants or do not have a birth certificate for their child are required to contact our International Student Program at 250-592-6871 prior to registration.
- Proof of your address. This can be as simple as a utility bill with your current postal code, etc.
- Your child's BC Medical Care Card.

Please remember that English registration is still first come first served.

Program placements will be offered according to the following priorities:



- Re-enrolling students
- **❖** In catchment area sibling
 - * Catchment area child
- **❖** Non catchment area sibling
 - **❖** Non catchment child
- * Non school district child
 - **Out of district**

PINK Shirt Day 2019 February 27th!

We are once again happy to offer you the opportunity to order PINK shirts for students, parents, and staff for PINK Shirt Day!

T-shirts are 100% cotton and there is no date on them, so they can be RE-USED each year.

The slogan for this year is:

CHOOSE KIND

T-shirts are \$6.00 each, any size, including taxes. Watch for the order form to come home **Friday January** 18th.



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The Greater Victoria School District is, once again, holding an information session for parents whose children are going to be starting school next year.

Welcome to School

An Information Evening for New Kindergarten Parents

Wednesday, January 16, 2019 6:30—8:30 pm Oaklands Elementary, 2827 Belmont Avenue

Come and learn more about what awaits your children as they begin this new adventure.

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If you have a child in our **French Immersion** program and you are considering a change in programs —**moving to English** —there are a few things you need to do.

- Ensure you have spoken to your classroom teacher and that they are working on setting up a transition plan through our School Based Team
 - You must complete a transfer form available at the office as of <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 19th</u> and bring the transfer form back to the school by <u>Monday</u>, February 25th

Parent Information

Are You Returning to Willows?

On **Wednesday**, **January 16** your son and/or daughter will bring home a bright green sheet. We are asking parents to complete this form and return it to the school as soon as possible.

It seems odd to be thinking about next year already, but we start planning well in advance to ensure that our current students and our new registrations have a place in September.

We only know how many spaces we have available for new families if we know how many of our current families are returning.

Please complete the form and return it quickly. It will help us out immensely.

Thanks, Wendy and Dianne





Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

January 27 - Family Literacy Day ...Donate books to increase early literacy

Do you know that reading books to babies and preschoolers is the most significant indicator of early school success? Cuddling and reading to your little ones shows that you value reading, builds comfort, enjoyment and early skills that last a lifetime.

Help make that true for those still to gain those habits. **January 27 is National Literacy Day.** As well as enjoying a new story with your child, please make an extra effort to drop off gently used picture books for babies and preschoolers in the drop box right by the office. All very young children benefit from being read to – help make that a reality for more. Thank you for being part of the 172,000 books donated over the last eight years.



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Day Care and Pre-school

Join us for a meeting to hear Care about the new initiative at Willows.

Pre-school, day care, and before and after school possibilities will be presented.

We will meet in the LIBRARY on Thurs., Jan. 24th from 6:30—7:30.

Bring you friends and your questions.

PAC Mtg. Wed. Jan. 16th 7:00 pm - library



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