

November
2016

The Bayview Bulletin

Principal: Mr. Kevin Brand
Secretary: TBD
140 View Street, Nanaimo BC, V9R 4N6



School-Wide Dates to Remember:

- Nov. 2—District X-Country Meet.
- Nov. 8—PAC Meeting 6pm
- Nov. 9—Remembrance Assembly—10:40am
- Nov. 11—No School
- Nov. 12—Clippers Cheer Off
- Nov. 16—Lockdown Drill
- Nov. 24—Family Movie Night 6pm

SAVE THE DATE:

Christmas Concert

December 22

Find us on Twitter!



@bayviewboxers

R.O.C.K.S.

Recognition

The Cooperation students show by helping our Kindergarten students learn routines!



Principal's Message

It has been a fantastic start to the year at Bayview. We have welcomed many new staff and students into the school for the 2016/17 school year, and we have continued the theme of "Paddling Together" to incorporate everyone in the same vision. As we paddle the "Snuwulh" (Canoe), together, we are strong and united in learning.

I have the unfortunate news to share that our Secretary, Mrs. DeVries, has changed positions with the district. We wish Mrs. DeVries the very best as she moves on, and we will have a permanent replacement within the next couple weeks.

It was a pleasure to share an outline of changes to assessment and reporting during the October 26 parent meeting; I encourage all parents/caregivers to engage in the process of informing our next steps. The changes cannot be understated.

Mr. Kevin Brand, Principal

WE ARE GOING PAPERLESS

In an effort to be environmentally friendly, we will soon be distributing all newsletters electronically. Starting in January we will not send paper copies home. Instead we will share newsletters in 3 easy ways:

1. An email will be sent with the link to the electronic newsletter.
2. The newsletter will be posted on our school website on the first school day of every month.
3. The newsletter will be posted on the PAC Facebook site.

Please ensure that the school has your email address so we can send the newsletter link to you.

We will always have paper copies of the newsletter in the school office.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS

Most school notices and newsletters will only be sent home with the youngest child in a family and with children who do not have siblings in the school. There will be some exceptions (e.g. hot lunch order forms or forms requiring a signature for each child). You can also stay informed by checking out our school website:

<http://schoolsweb.sd68.bc.ca/bayview/>

The PAC Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/bayviewpac

The Strong Start Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/www.bayviewstrongstart.ca

And be sure to follow us on Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/bayviewboxers>

BAYVIEW R.O.C.K.S.

Everyone at Bayview participates in a school-wide approach to learning safe, responsible & respectful behavior to ensure a safe, caring, and orderly school environment. We are focusing on 'doing the right thing' – even when no one is watching. All staff describe, teach and practice, acknowledge, and reteach whenever needed. We are reviewing our school matrix and 'Bayview ROCKS' (Respect, Ownership, Cooperation, Kindness, Safety) and reviewing using WITS (Walk Away, Ignore, Talk it Out, Seek Help) as a problem solving strategy.

HEAD LICE

This is the time of year when head lice begins to show up. Head lice are a nuisance. They do not carry disease and are not a health risk. Staff have noticed that having head lice does affect students' ability to concentrate on their work. Early detection and appropriate treatment will benefit your child and significantly limit the spread of head lice in our school. Please check your child's hair weekly and, if you detect head lice, please notify the school and treat immediately. One of the keys is to comb out the hair every three days for two weeks after the initial treatment. If you need help, let us know. We can send materials home for you.

PAC EXECUTIVE UPDATE

We are pleased to announce that the PAC Treasurer vacancy has been filled by Phyl Babichuk-Mowatt. Thank you for stepping up Phyl!

LOCKDOWN and HOLD & SECURE DRILLS

All schools in SD68 have Lockdown and Hold & Secure procedures in place. These important practices aim to ensure the safety of staff and students.

When we would Lockdown...

There is a major threatening incident or threat of school violence within the school, or in relation to the school. Students and staff are out-of-sight and secured in the school.

When we would Hold & Secure...

There is an ongoing situation outside and not necessarily related to the school. The school continues to function normally, with all the exterior doors being locked.

How you can help...

It is natural for children to feel some anxiety about emergency procedures and drills; calm adults are the best support we can offer. The aim of practice drills is to make emergency procedures calm, routine and effective. Parents

can discuss the drills with their child and reassure them that they are safe.

Lockdown Drill: November 16, 2016

CHANGES TO ASSESSMENT & REPORTING

As shared through email and the recent parent meeting, the Province of British Columbia and Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public Schools are changing the way we assess learning and report to parents. Some of the significant changes include:

- Increased Ongoing Communication
- Increased Student Voice
- Increased focus on Core Competencies
- Reduction of Formal Report Cards from 3 to 2 per year, January and June

Join the discussion at: <http://www.sd68.bc.ca/>

Bayview After-School Fall Programs

Community School
Corner



Spaces are limited
so sign up quickly!

Permission forms
are in the front
office.

NS3-Lego WEDO Robotics
Monday's Nov 7– Nov 28
1:45-2:45pm / MP Room
\$40 / 4 Sessions
Gr. 3-5 / 16 Max

NS3-KEVA Building Blocks
Wednesday Dec 7
2:45-3:45pm / MP Room
\$10 / 1 Sessions
Gr. 1-5 / 16 Max.

NS3-Marble Madness
Wednesday Dec 14
2:45-3:45pm / MP Room
\$10 / 1 Session
Gr. 1-5 / 16 Max.

HIP HOP
Friday's Nov 18 — Dec 9
2:45-3:45pm GYM
\$10 / 4 Sessions
Gr. 4-7 / 20 Max

YOGA
Wednesday's Nov 30 – Dec 21
2:45-3:45pm / Gym
\$10 / 4 Sessions
Gr. 4-7 / 20 Max.