

# **Gabriola Elementary School**

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# Upcoming Dates to Remember

April 6 & 20	Hot Lunch
April 6	Hot Cup of Fiction @ Mad Ronas (7pm)
April 13	PAC Meeting (4-6pm)
April 14	Grade 7 Information night at NDSS (5:30-6:45pm)
April 21	Ready Set Learn (9:30-10:30am)
April 27	Jump Rope for Heart
May 4 & 18	Hot Lunch
May 5	School Track and Field Meet
May 11	PAC Meeting (4-6pm)
May 13	ProD Day (School not in Session)
May 16	Curriculum Implementation Day (No School)
May 19	School Spring Concert at Port Theatre (12:30pm)
May 23	Victoria Day (School Not in Session)
May 26	Welcome to Kindergarten (9:30-11am)
May 27	Zone Track and Field Meet
June 1 & 15	Hot Lunch
June 2	LiD Showcase of Learning
June 8	PAC Meeting (4-6pm)
June 9	District Track and Field Meet



# School Spring Concert

The Port Theatre

Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup>
12:30pm

# Principal's Message

June 17

June 29

There are only thirteen more weeks until the end of the school year. The next three months are going to be very busy *both* academically and socially for students and staff. Remember to check the calendar and planners to keep up to date with all the events coming up (Port Theatre Vaudeville Show, School Track and Field Meet, Field Trips, Fun Day, Volunteer Tea, LiD Showcase, Permaculture Days, etc.). If you are able to, we need parent helpers at our School Track and Field Meet on Thursday, May5<sup>th</sup> at the Rotary Bowl.

Year End Assembly/Last Day for Students

As the weather warms and the evening sun invites us to spend longer periods of time outside, it becomes a greater challenge for families to maintain those good after school routines that lead to success at school. It is important to continue to maintain proper homework and reading-at-home routines. Maintaining these routines not only allows students to continue to improve their planning skills, reading and other academic skills this year, it also provides the necessary momentum for the success of these routines for the next school year.

Thanks, as always to members of our PAC for their continued contributions to the school. Your help and assistance is appreciated by the staff and students at the school. *Mrs. Eileen Jubinville* 

# Grade 7 Students and Parents - Information night at NDSS from 5:30 - 6:45 on April 14th



### Jump Rope for Heart

Fun Day

We are holding a Jump Rope event on *Wednesday*, *April 27<sup>th</sup>*. Students are encouraged to bring in a loonie or twoonie to support the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

# **School Track and Field Meet Grades 3-7**

# **Track and Field Volunteers NEEDED**

All students in Grade 3-7 will be participating in our annual school track & field meet on Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Rotary Bowl (behind NDSS). We need extra adult to help. Please let the school know if you are able to help in the am, pm or both. Thank you for helping make the day successful!

# Information about Kindergarten Registration for 2016-17

Please remember to come in to the school office to register your child for Kindergarten for September 2016. Please bring your child's birth certificate and proof of address. If you know of families with children who will be five years of age before January 1, 2017 – please pass the information on.

# Two dates to note are the upcoming sessions at Gabriola Elementary School:

April 21<sup>st</sup> **Ready Set Learn**: for children aged 3-5 (9:30-10:30am)

May 26<sup>th</sup> **Welcome to Kindergarten** for children turning 5 next year (9:30-11am)



#### READY SET LEARN

Gabriola Elementary will be hosting a Ready Set Learn Open House for 3&4 year old children and their families on **Thursday, April 21**st (9:30-10:30am). School District 68, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and the Vancouver Island Health Authority, want to help your preschooler get ready for school. You and your 3 & 4 year-old child are invited to this information event. You will find out what you can do to help your child have a successful start to school.

#### **WELCOME to KINDERGARTEN**

Gabriola Elementary will be hosting a separate event on **Thursday**, **May 26**<sup>th</sup> (**9:30-11am**) for 4 year olds entering kindergarten in September, 2016. Families who attend this event will receive free resources:

- An age-appropriate book to read with your child
- A family resource kit of ideas

#### Gabriola Elementary Spring Concert

Mr. Bradbrooke is currently organizing our School Spring Concert at the Port Theatre on **Thursday, May 19**th.

The students at our school have been given the opportunity to put on a **Spring Concert at the Port Theater** (Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup>). On this day, there will be a dress rehearsal from 9:00-11:00am, followed by a single performance from 12:30 to 1:45pm. Students and teachers will be taking the 8:50am ferry in the morning. We will then be returning on the 2:25pm ferry after the performance.

Having the use of the Port Theater for the day is a tremendous opportunity. Every student will have the opportunity to perform on the big stage. Each class has already begun learning songs and dances that center on a particular theme. Some of the older students who have an interest in working backstage (curtains, lights, sound, etc.) will have the opportunity to mirror professionals who work at the Port (yes, not only do we have Port Theater for the day...we also have the people who work there).

I would like for this show to be a meaningful and memorable experience for our students. I am looking for parents who are interested in helping out with various aspects of preparing and putting on this performance.

Some of the areas that will need adult support are as follows.....

**Costume Making:** One or two parents for each division. Costumes need to be simple so that they are not too costly. It would be great if students could help make some or all of their costumes. Perhaps you are interested in helping out with your sons or daughters class? Perhaps you know a simple way to make a bear costume? Below are the themes for each division.

Div. 1/2 Gilroy & Bradbrooke City Slickers (for example, bow ties and top hats)

Div. 3 Svensson Clowns

Div. 4 Reynolds Pioneers / Cowboys and Cowgirls

Div. 5 Hodson Teddy Bears Picnic (bears....help!!!...Is this even possible?)

Div. 6 Tufnail Carnival of the Animals: fins, fur and feathers (for example: salmon, raccoon,

eagle or any animals with fins, fur or feathers)

**Sets and Props:** Sets for this performance will need to be limited as we will be bringing everything over the day of the performance.

**Chaperons:** We will need to have two or three parents for each division to support the children in getting on and off the stage (and on and off the ferry!)

If you are able to help with our school performance in any way, please contact Mr. Bradbrooke.

