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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Ladner Families,

With Spring Break almost upon us, I'd like to take a moment and say CONGRATULATIONS to all of our students for an outstanding second term. After reading through all the report cards it is very clear to me that a lot of learning and personal achievement has happened for most of our students. While everyone can enter the break feeling good about what they accomplished, spend some time with your child thinking about and setting some personal goals for what they would like to achieve in Term Three.



At this time, I would also like to say a big THANK YOU to everyone in our community who contributed to making Term Two the success it was. On behalf of everyone here at Ladner Elementary, I wish all of our families a very restful and enjoyable Spring Break! The school will re-open for the final term of this school year on Monday, March 27th.

Mr. J. McCallum
Principal

SCHOOL INFO & REMINDERS

Registration for 2017-2018

Our school's Kindergarten registration for September 2017 opened on February 15th. Please encourage neighbours who have not yet signed up to come to the school as soon as possible to register. The best way to avoid disappointment is to sign up early. As mentioned in a previous newsletter, for new students in **Grades 1-7 who do not reside in the Ladner Elementary catchment area, March 3rd** is the deadline for applying for admission to Ladner Elementary for Sept. 2017. For **new students in Grades 1-7 who reside in the Ladner Elementary catchment area, June 2nd** is the deadline for guaranteed admission to Ladner Elementary for Sept. 2017. Registrations after these dates can be considered, but acceptance is subject to available space. Once again, the best way to avoid disappointment and to receive priority in your category is to honor the deadlines. **Students already registered at Ladner Elementary do not need to re-apply as they are already counted in our school's numbers.**



School Security

**ALL VISITORS
PLEASE
CHECK IN AT
FRONT OFFICE**

Thank you for observing the signs posted on various doors reminding all parents and visitors to enter the school during the school hours only via the front door and only after checking in at the office. Adults should not be on the playground during recess or lunch times unless they have a visitor badge from the office. It is imperative to school security that we know who is in the hallway during regular school hours.

Lunch Time Expectations

In the interest of student safety, it is expected that students will eat their lunches at school. If there is need or it is usual practice for a child to go home for lunch, a note must be given to the classroom teacher explaining the arrangements. Students must also sign in and out at the office for the lunch hour. Students are not permitted to go to another student's house for lunch without a signed and dated note from each set of parents involved for a specific day only. Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.



Class Photos



Our school photographer returns to Ladner Elementary on Tuesday, March 7th to take class photographs. These photos will be taken between morning and lunch. In the afternoon, weather permitting, all of our students and staff will gather on the primary playground for the panoramic photograph.

Calling All Preschoolers – Ready, Set, Learn



We are inviting all preschool aged children in the Ladner Elementary community to attend **Ready, Set, Learn** session on **Tuesday April 11th from 1:00 – 2:30pm at the Delta Manor Education Centre**. The preschoolers will participate in some fun learning activities together and I am pleased to announce that popular children's musician Will Stroet will be part of our program. Mr. Stroet will present a 40-minute musical show designed for preschoolers. Parents will also receive an informational package. This early childhood initiative is designed to introduce preschoolers and their families to the public school system. Please help us by inviting neighbours who have three year olds to join us on this day.

Term Two Report Cards

Report Cards will be sent home with students on **Wednesday, March 8th**. Please keep all the inserts and return the envelope to the school with a parent signature. Take some time to read the report card together with your child. Celebrate your child's successes! Ask what he/she thinks is his/her best achievement this term, what he/she is most proud of, or what he/she enjoyed the most. Every child not only learns academic concepts, but also learns, practices and reviews life skills every day. Ask your child which area he/she would like to make an improvement in and together develop a plan to reach that goal. Don't forget to look at the Work Habits section of the report card, too. Effort and good work habits are strong indicators of student success and progress. While not every student achieves straight A's, there is no reason why every student couldn't achieve straight G's. Always encourage your child to strive to achieve his/her personal best!



WE Group – Recycle Your Batteries!



We are recycling used batteries. We can collect any type except exploded batteries or car batteries. Cellphones are also welcome. The batteries can be put in box located opposite the front of the office on the lunch during school hours which are from 8:40 to 3:45. Please place the used batteries into the plastic bag that is supplied and put it in the box provided.

We are doing this to help combat zinc deficiency and to keep toxic chemicals out of the landfill. Please bring your batteries!

Sports

BASKETBALL: Our basketball season for this year has now wrapped up. Throughout the season our 4 teams did a wonderful representing our school. Thank you to our coaches, Mrs. Carol Lingham, Mme Valentino, Mme Dockerill, Mme Edge and Mr. McCallum. We truly appreciate all time and expertise they have shared with our students.



Hoop Shoot Finals

Congratulations to all the students who took part in this year's Hoop Shoot Contest! The shoot off was fierce and the following students will represent Ladner Elementary at the zone finals being held on the evening of Tuesday, March 7th at South Delta Secondary School:



Grade 7 Girls: **Tahnee, Sydney, Nicole**
Grade 6 Girls: **Alex, Amanda, Bridgette**
Grade 5 Girls:

Grade 7 Boys: **Sebastian, Kain, Tehj**
Grade 6 Boys: **Spencer, Kenny, Jaren**
Grade 5 Boys: **Lucas, Nathan, Dash**

Congratulations and go Eagles!

Track & Field



With Basketball behind us, we have already started turning our attention to Track and Field season. Students in Grade 3 -7 have had the opportunity over the past few weeks to take part in the pre-season conditioning sessions here at the school. Don't worry if your child has not attended these sessions as formal track practices will begin on Wednesday, March 29th at 7:45 am. More information about the practice schedule will be communicated later this week. It is based on these practices that students will be selected to represent Ladner Elementary at our Zone's Track Meet to be held in early May. It is not only skill level that determines who is selected; full participation in practices is a huge determining factor. Track and Field is a great way to be active and to represent your school with pride. Each year we try to include as many of our interested students in the track meet as possible so if your child thinks they might be interested encourage them to PARTICIPATE. As mentioned previously, the grade 3 students are welcome to join in the practices and learn some very valuable skills, however, only students in grades 4-7 will be selected to participate in the upcoming track meets.

School Garden

With spring almost here, things will be getting busy very soon in our garden. Volunteers are always welcome to help with the many jobs that need to be done in order to keep this very valued learning environment running smoothly. Please our PAC Garden Contact, Kerri Skelly at kmskelly@telus.net if you are interested in helping out in the garden this year.



Will Your Child be Attending DSS or SDSS next year?



It is the time of year when we start to make plans for our Grade 7 student's transition to high school. By default, all of our Grade 7s who are currently enrolled in our English program are assigned to attend Delta Secondary School. All Grade 7 students enrolled in our French Immersion program are assigned to South Delta Secondary School. Please contact Mrs. Hann at shann@deltasd.bc.ca if your child will be attending a school other than as indicated above.



Stretch Programs



Stretch Programs are cross-district monthly enrichment opportunities in Art, Math, Writing and Science. These programs are intended for students whose current passion and aptitude in Art, Math, Writing or Science are clearly exceptional and point to the need for additional enrichment.

The Stretch program selection process is based upon school-based nominations that culminate in the submission of an Application Package. The nomination process usually begins with a teacher nomination. If you believe your child would be a good candidate for participation in a Stretch Program, please talk to your classroom teacher or our school's Gifted Support Teacher, Mr. Lapierre. Application packages including additional information about each of the Stretch Programs are available online at:

<https://deltalearns.ca/gifted/stretch>

Information for Application Deadlines for Writing, Math and Science will be out shortly.

PAC NEWS

PAC MEETING

PAC meeting will be Thursday, March 9th at 6:00 pm in the Staffroom. Babysitting will be provided. This is a terrific group of parents who work hard to support school activities. In addition, they are a nice group of people to get to know. Please join us, even if you have never been to a PAC meeting before!



SCHOOL DISTRICT INFORMATION



Academy Programs

Academy programs offered at various secondary schools in Delta are open to all Delta School District students. Bell schedules at each secondary school are similar, making it possible for students to move between schools at lunchtime to participate in a program at another school. The following is a list of the various academy programs offered by the Delta School District:

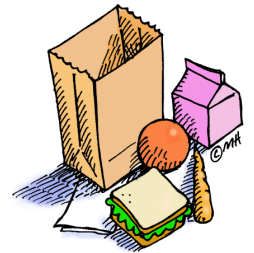
Baseball	Sands Secondary
Dance	Delta Secondary
Film Acting	Delta Manor Education Centre
Film Production	Delta Manor Education Centre
Golf	Seaquam Secondary
Hockey	Burnsview Secondary and South Delta Secondary
Lacrosse	Delta Secondary
Soccer	South Delta Secondary
Softball	Seaquam Secondary

These programs are offered within the school timetable and compliment the various elective courses offered at each secondary school. Professional coaches and instructors, along with passionate teachers, combine to make these programs engaging and inspiring choices for students!

Students should register for an academy during course selection time; however, we will accept applications beyond that date. To apply, complete an application and send it to the school offering the academy program. Also, be sure the Counsellor at your home school is aware your child wants to register in an academy. For more information or to download an application, please visit the Academy website at <http://web.deltasd.bc.ca/programs/academies> or call 604-952-5374.

Meals Away From Home

It may seem like your child is eating meals away from home as often as they are eating at home – with snacks and lunch at school, birthday parties and sleepovers, and recreation or sporting events. It’s important that your children know how to make the same healthy choices outside the home as they would in the home. Setting a good example at home can help.



- Offer your children new and interesting foods at home so that if they are eating out, they are more likely to find something that appeals to them.
- If your family enjoys them, offer birthday cake, ice cream cookies and other desserts. Don’t overdo it with these foods. Balance them with healthy choices.
- Many children are fast-food fans. While they enjoy their burgers, set limits on fries and pop when eating out. Some fast-food restaurants now offer milk, 100% juice or water at no extra charge as a substitute for pop in a fast food meal.
- If you love burgers, remember that often the simplest, least expensive one on the menu is healthier than the double-decker, cheese and heavy-sauce-smothered advertised special.
- Subs, wraps or pitas can be healthy alternatives when they include whole grain breads and vegetables.

Watching T.V. Can Affect Your Health

Television can influence how we see the world and the choices that our children make. Some studies have shown a link to obesity. Clearly television affects our lives but we need it to be a positive effect.



- Try limiting T.V. watching to only certain programs (ones which you and your child have agreed upon).
- Watch shows with your children and talk about the content of the show. Point out the differences between what’s real and what’s not.
- Keep your T.V. somewhere less convenient so that it is turned on only when someone wants to watch a special show.
- Take “T.V. Vacations” and put the television away for a week or two. The first few days may be a struggle but children can be very creative when finding other things to do!



CALENDAR REMINDERS

Tuesday, March 8	Class Photos
Wednesday, March 8	Term 2 Report Cards Home
Friday, March 10	Special Lunch
Sunday, March 12	Move Clocks Ahead 1 Hour
March 13 – 24	Spring Break
Monday, March 27	School Re-Opens
Friday, April 14	Good Friday, No School
Monday, April 17	Easter Monday, No School
April 12 & 13	Student-Led Conferences and Book Fair
Friday, April 21	Special Lunch

CALLING ALL PRESCHOOLERS

born in 2012, 2013 & 2014

Ready Set Learn

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Annual school
events for
children and
their caregivers

Connect with your
school, community
agencies, and other
families in your
neighborhood



LADNER

DELTA MANOR EDUCATION
CENTRE

APRIL 11, 2017
1:00 - 2:30

for students heading to:

Holly Neilson Grove
Hawthorne Port Guichon
Ladner

**FREE
BOOK**
for each child
and a package
of materials

Ready Set Learn events are funded by the
Ministry of Education

View a complete list of RSL events and times on our
website <http://www.deltasd.bc.ca/event/70>

For more information please contact a
Public Elementary School near you

 Delta School District
Inspired Learning



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Free Parent Workshop:

Preparing for Kindergarten

6:30 - 7:00 PM: Community and
School Resource Expo

7:00 - 9:00 PM: Parent Workshop

9:00 - 9:30 PM: Individual Q & A

North Delta and South Delta Workshops:

North Delta Secondary
School (library)
11447 - 82 Ave.
North Delta
Course ID: FAM001
Wednesday, MARCH 1,
7:00 - 9:00 pm

Delta Manor Education
Centre (Brainstorm Room)
4750 - 57th Street,
Ladner
Course ID: FAM002
Thursday, MARCH 2,
7:00 - 9:00 pm

Although there is no cost for the workshop, pre-registration is requested at 604-940-5550 or
<https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/publicconnect/deevents.aspx>

The Delta School District Learning Services Branch presents this workshop in collaboration with REACH Child and Youth Development Society and the North Delta Early Years Centre. Explore the skills and abilities that will help your child have a successful start to school, and learn strategies to make the transition as smooth as possible. Early learning specialists will share how Kindergarten looks in today's schools, and practical ideas to help families prepare for the first day.



SPLIT SECOND
BASKETBALL

DELTA SPRING BREAK BASKETBALL CAMP

🏀 REGISTRATION OPEN 🏀

FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS CAMP

Boys & Girls - GRADES 2 - 8



Delta Senior Secondary MARCH 13 - 16, 2017 / 1:00 p.m - 4:00 p.m

HAVE FUN, BUILD GREAT HABITS COME JOIN US



VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR REGISTRATION DETAILS AND MORE INFORMATION AT
WWW.SPLITSECONDBASKETBALL.COM

Making the Connection TRAUMA INFORMED SMOKING CESSATION



March 15th, 2017

9:00-12:00

North Delta Public Health Unit

March 22nd, 2017

1:00-4:00

Delta Hospital Education
Conference Room

Quitting smoking can be challenging, but it CAN be done!

The purpose of this workshop is to build the capacity of front-line staff to better assist others to quit smoking. Family members who want to learn more and help their loved ones quit, are welcome. The workshop will address the overall role trauma can play in substance use. How to listen to people for effects of trauma and have difficult conversations on tobacco & other substances? How understanding trauma improves our services and helps all of us?

REGISTER:

North Delta: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/making-the-connection-trauma-informed-smoking-cessation-tickets-32307195692>

South Delta: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/making-the-connection-trauma-informed-smoking-cessation-tickets-32307714243>

A partnership between Kwantlen University Nursing Department,
Fraser Health & Quit Now BC

