



Ladner Link

Ladner Elementary School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

With this being the last week of school, I would like to congratulate all of our students for their accomplishments over the past ten months. It is clear to me that all of our students have made great gains. I would also like to thank our parent community for the support you have provided us in making these gains possible. The collaborative and positive support you provide to all of us here at the school is greatly appreciated and helps make Ladner Elementary the wonderful school that it is.

Because teamwork is so important at Ladner Elementary, we are reluctant to have to say good-bye to some valuable members of our staff team. **Mrs. Magnus, Mme Valentino, Ms. Guichon, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Millward, Ms. Brooks and Mrs. Taylor** will be moving to new positions within the Delta School District. I want to thank these staff members for their special contributions to our school and to wish them well in their new endeavours.

WE WILL MISS YOU



After many years of teaching in Delta, Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Rockel are retiring. I know you will all join me in thanking both of them for the outstanding contributions they have provided to the students of Ladner Elementary. We wish both of them the best in their retirement years. Congratulations!

We also have to bid farewell to our Grade Seven students as they move on to the challenge and opportunities of high school. We appreciate all they have contributed to our school community and know they will continue to excel in the future. We will celebrate this milestone on Wednesday with our annual Grade 7 Celebration. Thank you to all the parents who have helped in the planning.

For those families who are leaving us at the end of June, we wish you well in your new communities and schools. For those families who are remaining at Ladner Elementary, we would request your help in encouraging any new neighbours to register their children during the week of August 28th. This will help us with our planning for the next school year and ensure a smooth start up for September. Please remember that any **concerns regarding placement of students should have been received in writing by May 31st**. Such requests can no longer be accommodated.

I HOPE EVERYONE HAS A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER!

**ENJOY
YOUR
SUMMER!**

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SCHOOL INFO & REMINDERS

Staff Changes for September:



Ms. Malhi – Intermediate English Teacher
Mr. Smith – Intermediate English Teacher
Ms. Ehrenholz – Librarian

REPORT CARDS AND DISMISSAL ON THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



Third term report cards will be sent home with students on the last day of school (Thursday, June 29th). Any report cards not picked up will be mailed if you supply a self-addressed stamped envelope, otherwise they will remain in the office until Sept. If you provide written permission your child's report card may be picked up by a friend. **Please note that on the**

last day of school, all students will be dismissed at 10:30am.

SEPTEMBER 2017 START UP



School will re-open on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. Because of the uncertain nature of enrolment for September, students will remain in their current class groups and return to their current classrooms for the first several days. This will give students and teachers an opportunity to reconnect with their classmates and teachers. We will arrange the new classes as quickly as possible once our enrollment has been determined. We typically aim to move into our new classes on the Friday of that first week. Having said that, I have been told that due to the recent court decision reinstating the 2002 Class Size and Composition language, it may take a little longer to finalize class organizations across the district and this may result in permanent class placements taking place early in the second week of school. Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

Kindergarten: Time and grouping details for the first week were mailed to individual homes in June.

Gr. 1: 8:45 am Go to last year's classes. Students will have the opportunity to re-connect with their last year teacher. After 30 minutes they will move as a class to a different classroom as our Kindergarten rooms will be used for new Kindergarten students

Gr. 2-7: 8:45 am Go to last year's classroom for the morning's instruction and the important task of determining our enrollment.

New students will report to the office and then gather for an orientation session before joining peers.

DISMISSAL TIME IS NOON

THERE WILL BE NO AFTERNOON CLASSES

School supplies will be required on the first day that children are moved to their permanent classroom – hopefully by the end of the first week. **Please label all of your child's belongings with their name, including clothing and footwear.** It will be very important to label all of your child's clothing so that we are able to identify who it belongs to before it ends up in the Lost and Found. If your child has ordered Staples school supplies they will be delivered the last week of August.

SECOND DAY OF SCHOOL - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

Grades 1 - 7: We resume our normal schedule with a bell schedule:

8:40 a.m. First bell - students move to class

8:45 - 10:30 Instructional period



10:30 - 10:45	Recess
10:45 - 12:10	Instructional period
12:10 - 1:01	Lunch
1:01 – 2:49	Instructional period
2:49p.m.	Dismissal

ABSENTEES AT THE BEGINNING OF SEPTEMBER



So that opening day enrolment figures reflect student attendance as accurately as possible, please leave a message on the school answering machine or send a note with a neighbour or friend if your child will be missing the first day or two of school in September.

KEEP READING THIS SUMMER



If there is one thing I would strongly encourage all parents to do this summer, it would be to ensure that your child continues to read. Students who read over the summer maintain or improve their reading skills and ability. Students who don't, tend to 'lose' a month or two relative to their spring reading achievement scores.

Research indicates that much of the 'achievement gap' noticed in students is a combination of the 'gap from the start' and subsequent, cumulative 'summer learning gaps'. Why not enroll your child in this summer's reading club at Pioneer Library? Be part of an 80,000 strong group of students who participate in the program that offers special programs, contests and activities.

GARDEN NEWS – JUNE 2017



The classes involved in the garden program this spring have been harvesting and eating what they planted. There are some crops still in the garden for harvesting in the fall when the students return to school.

The Ladner Elementary Parent Advisory Committee is looking for volunteers to help with watering the school garden this summer. The weather is getting warm and the garden is now in need of regular watering. Volunteers are needed immediately to help out our wonderful garden volunteers keep the plants alive and healthy looking over the summer months. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Kerri Skelly at kmskelly@telus.net. We will send out a sign up schedule to those interested.

Your Children's Garden needs you!!

With thanks and with good wishes for a safe and fun summer!!

The Garden Volunteers

PAC News



On behalf of the staff and students at Ladner Elementary I would like to thank the entire Ladner PAC for their hard work and dedication to the students at Ladner. You have provided the children with all kinds of extras, field trip experiences, and fabulous special lunches to name just a few. We appreciate your ongoing support and genuine interest in keeping Ladner a great school. Thank you!

Safety Tips for Swimming & Diving

How do I keep my children safe while swimming and playing near water?

- ◆ Watch children at all times when they are near or in water
- ◆ Enrol your children in swimming lessons
- ◆ Make sure your children are aware of their water abilities
- ◆ Be aware of the tides and currents in rivers and oceans
- ◆ Keep an eye on shifting weather patterns
- ◆ Know the signs of hypothermia
- ◆ Dive into water that is at least 10 feet deep
- ◆ Remember that lakes, rivers and ocean levels can change



What should I do if I have a backyard pool?

- ◆ Discuss pool rules with your children
- ◆ Post the pool rules
- ◆ Keep emergency equipment close at hand
- ◆ Fence backyard pools and add self-locking latches on gates



Have a safe and fun summer!!

STUDENT OFFER

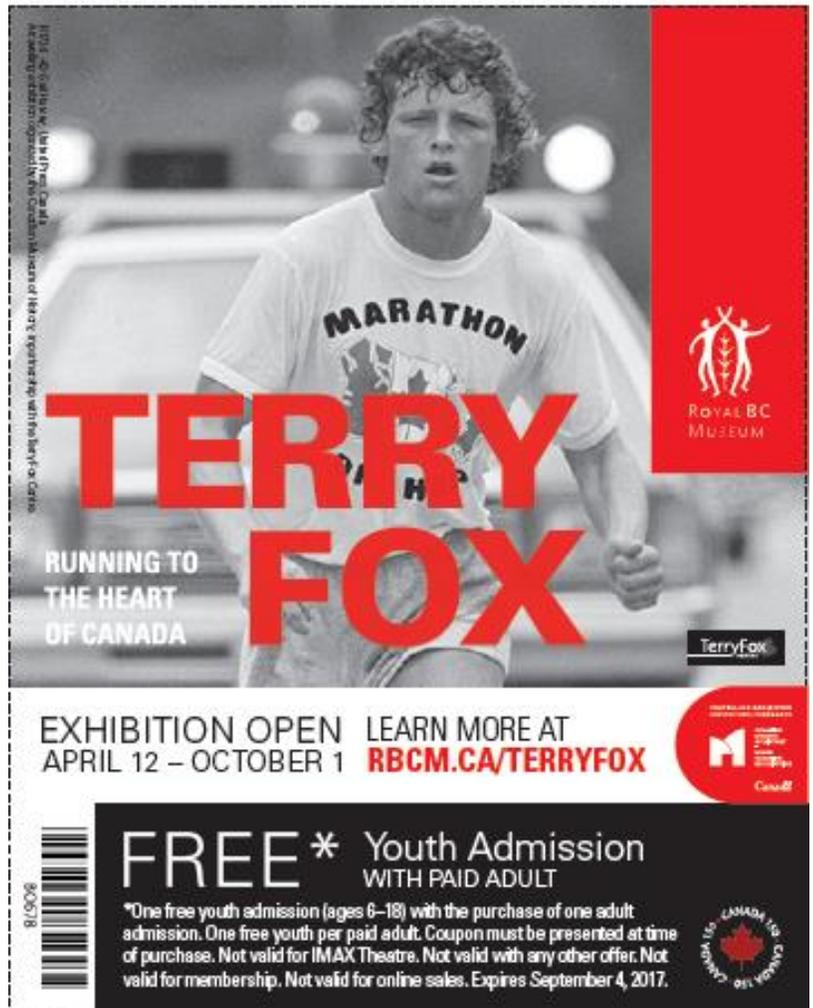
Free* Youth Admission with a paid adult admission

Come to Victoria this summer for a visit on us! Check out our feature exhibition *Family: Bonds and Belonging* and other exciting programs.

**One free youth admission (ages 6 – 18) with the purchase of an adult admission. One youth per paid adult. This coupon must be presented at time of purchase. Not valid for IMAX. Not valid with any other offer. Not valid for family admission or membership. Expires September 4, 2017.*

VALID

May 23, 2017 – September 4, 2017



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