

Weekly Family Communication

Friday, May 10, 2024

The warm weather has finally arrived and it brings a little lightness with it. We have had another very busy week with Grade 7 students here visiting from Brechin, Mountain View, Fairview, Forrest Park, and Gabriola. We would like to thank our counselling staff for planning such a meaningful event for our incoming grade 8 students. Students gathered together to meet staff, be led on school tours by our senior students, participate in student performances and have a hot dog lunch together in the front field! Big thanks to our amazing Student Support Staff, CYSFWs, Counsellors, Vice-Principals, Ms. Barnum and her dance crew and the staff and students from our ARROW program who cooked all the hotdogs. You all worked together to make our future students of NDSS feel safe, connected and excited to enter our doors in September.

With the end of the year slowly approaching many teachers are having celebration of learning type of activities happening in their classroom. I have been invited in to witness the teaching and learning in various classrooms over the past couple of weeks and I have so much gratitude for all the beautiful things happening across this building. Thank you for sharing your kids with us each and every day. Every single one of them are uniquely brilliant and we absolutely love getting to know them.

Ricki

UPCOMING DATES:

• Ma	y 20	Victoria Day –	School Closed
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- May 27 PAC Meeting @ 7:15 in the library
- June 3-14 Provincial Assessments
- June 21 Last Day of classes
- June 24 Completion Day
- June 25 Grad Rehearsal morning
- June 26 Grad Ceremony afternoon
- June 27 Curriculum Implementation Day School Closed
- July 4 Final Learning Updates (report cards) Published

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

GRADUATION STATUS UPDATE REPORTS

An email went out to all Grade 10-12 students that will be graduating at NDSS with regard to Graduation Status Update Reports available to students and families.

These reports are viewed in the same manner as a Learning Update (previously a Report Card). Please email <u>jill.smith@sd68.bc</u>.ca if you are having a hard time viewing your student's Graduation Status Update Report.

The graduation status update can be found on the parent MyEd Portal. You will find it on the main page under "Published Reports" where you can also find the learning updates.

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If you need assistance logging into MyEd, please contact the office.

GRAD CORNER

- Scholarships: Grads receiving a scholarship, bursary, or award from a non-Nanaimo organization, please email Ms. Kullman the name of the Award and amount. We want to make sure we recognition all our hardworking grads.
- Gr. 12's and their families can find up to date information about NDSS Grad Events info at https://sites.google.com/learn68.ca/ndss-grad/grad-newsletter
- Grad fees must be paid by May 31 in order to attend the Graduation Ceremony and the Vancouver Island Conference Centre, and to pick up your cap and gown when they arrive. Log in to your <u>https://www.schoolcashonline.com/</u> to make your payment or bring cash to the front office. Please contact Georgia Barron (CYCW) <u>georgia.barron@sd68.bc.ca</u> if our Grad Fees cause undue hardship for your family.

WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to play wheelchair basketball? Now's your chance to try a new sport and support a local charity!

On Friday May 10th, join us in the Large Gym at NDSS for an Everyone Welcome Wheelchair Basketball event. Anyone is welcome to attend; admission will be at the door, by donation. Signup for the skills & drills portion, as well as the game portion that will follow, will be at the door. No experience required.

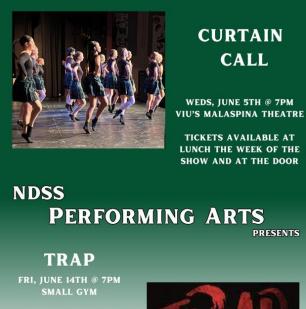
In addition, there will be pizza, drinks, and chips for sale, and a silent auction with some very exciting items to bid on. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the Nanaimo Child Development Centre, a non-profit organization that provides a broad range of health and health-related services to children with a variety of needs and works with families to support child development.

A very special thanks to Panago Pizza, Buy-Low Foods, Romper Room Indoor Climbing Gym, and Wildplay Nanaimo for their generous donations to this event.

Any questions can be directed to anastasiatrenholm@gmail.com. See you there!



PERFORMING ARTS



TICKETS AVAILABLE AT LUNCH THE WEEK OF THE SHOW AND AT THE DOOR



VANCOUVER ISLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY POETRY CONTEST

