



Weekly Family Communication

Friday, May 31, 2024

Wishing everyone a great weekend!

UPCOMING DATES:

- June 3-14 Provincial Assessments
- June 6 Grade 7 Parent Night @ 6:00PM in the Gym
- June 13 Athletics Banquet @ 5:30PM-8:30PM in the Big Cafe and Big Gym
- June 21 Last Day of classes
- June 24 Completion Day
- June 25 Grad Rehearsal – 9:30AM (students only)
- June 26 Grad Ceremony – 2:00PM (doors open at 1:30PM)
- June 27 Curriculum Implementation Day – School Closed
- July 4 Final Learning Updates (report cards) Published

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ATHLETICS BANQUET

Athletics Banquet, Thursday, June 13th, 5:30PM, starting in the Big Cafeteria for all students who participated on a school sports team. Please get your free student ticket from Mr. Orton during lunch. Additional tickets for guests are \$5, sold during lunch or at the door of the event.

MATH CORNER

[2024 Summer Problem Solving Course \(uwaterloo.ca\)](https://uwaterloo.ca)

Online Summer Problem Solving Course: Designed for high school students who have completed at least Grade 11 university stream mathematics, this unique summer course is self-paced and is particularly useful for students who are considering studying one of the following disciplines at university: mathematics, computer science, engineering, or the physical sciences. Students will be introduced to various mathematical problem-solving techniques and will have the opportunity to practice these techniques in major topic areas during the course. Registrations are open until June 7, 2024. [Learn more about this course.](#)

GRAD CORNER

- Ticket distribution will begin next week. Grad fees must be paid in order to receive tickets and attend the Graduation Ceremony and the Vancouver Island Conference Centre. Grads may pick up to **three tickets** from the office during lunch break only. (Only take all 3 if you need them all) Grads may also request to be put on a list for **additional tickets**. (**Not guaranteed**)
- **Valedictorian:** Check the *Grad 2024 Google Classroom* for information on running for this year's Valedictorian
- Please ensure we have your current mailing address in our system for any **graduation mailings from the province**.
- The May Grad Newsletter was emailed to families on Monday, May 13. It contains important information regarding graduation ceremony tickets and grad gowns. If you did not receive the newsletter, please email sarah.wallin@sd68.bc.ca
- Log in to your <https://www.schoolcashonline.com/> to make your payment or bring cash to the front office. Please contact Georgia Barron (CYCW) georgia.barron@sd68.bc.ca if our Grad Fees cause undue hardship for your family.
- 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>
- 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.

ATTENTION FORMER QUARTERWAY AND HAMMOND BAY FAMILIES:

The CYS worker from Quarterway and Hammond Bay, Madame Sandy, is retiring this year. Both schools are putting together a goodbye video for her and are hoping some NDSS Immersion students would send in a video clip of them wishing her well. Students or groups of students are asked to keep their video to under 1 min and to upload their videos to the Google Drive below. **Videos are due by June 13th.**

[Hammond Bay](#) Google Drive

[Quarterway](#) Google Drive

If you have questions, feel free to email [Melissa Kullman](#).

REPORTING AN ABSENCE

If your student will be absent from school, please email info.nd@sd68.bc.ca and kindly include your students FIRST AND LAST NAME. Thank you for your cooperation.

SHOUT OUTS:

Congratulations to Taya Hleck for winning the Nanaimo City Youth Poetry contest. Her poem, "Moon of the Crusted Snow" based on the novel by the name title. Congrats Taya, we're so proud of you and your creativity! [Click here to view her poem.](#)

FUNDRAISING:

Support NDSS Cultural Experiences Fundraiser at some of our events to raise community awareness about the value of cultural trips for youths, and to help some of the students to recoup the high costs of their 2024 cultural experience.

Thank you to everyone who came out and supported our Bottle Drive last Sunday!

Prize Buckets:

1. **Sephora** gift bag valued at \$170
2. **Playland** Amusement Park and roundtrip **Hullo** passenger ferry tickets for two (Draw at Pride Festival on June 9), valued at \$260.
3. **Prime Golf** indoor simulated golf experience \$50 gift card x4.
4. **Family Fun** and Food: Lee's Famous Chicken \$25, James Games Room \$25, Brechin Bowling x4, City of Nanaimo 2-for-1 swim or skate passes x2.

Enter our draw by donation. Visit us at Quality Foods on Fridays, stop by at the Pride Festival on June 9, or donate your refund when returning your empties at the Nanaimo Recycling Exchange to "NDSS Cultural Experiences Fundraiser". Contact Wendy to enter prize draw.

Prize winners will be drawn on June 26, with the exception of the Playland and Hullo tickets, which will be drawn on June 9, at the Pride Festival. Winners will be posted on our Fundraising Website:

Panago Pizza Lunch on Friday June 14 & 21. Enjoy a pizza slice for \$2.50! Or get a pizza slice, drink & chips for \$5. We accept tap or cash. Purdy's milk chocolate (\$3, 40g) and almond chocolate (\$6, 85g) bars will also be available to buy at lunchtime.

Purdy's Chocolate Bars: sustainable chocolate and made in Vancouver, BC.

Pride Festival June 9, 2024, we will have Purdy's chocolate bars available, entry by donation for prizes, and drawing the Playland and Hullo tickets prize winner.

For more information, please contact Wendy Jankovic, at 250-616-1808, or wjankovic@msn.com



Sephora Gift Bag \$170 | Playland x2 \$110 | Prime Golf \$50x4
 Hullo Ferry x2 \$150



Family Game/Food Pack \$75



How to Enter Prize Draws: By donation!

1. Bottle Drive at Hayes Rd, Sun, May 26, 9am-3pm
2. Pride Festival on June 9 - Playland tickets DRAWN!
3. Quality Foods on Fridays until June 22
4. Prize DRAW on June 26 - Last Day of School!



Time for a Giveaway!
 Play for the day at Playland Amusement Park! Relax in Comfort on the Hullo passenger ferry!



Some FRIDAYS PIZZA LUNCH Menu

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| Drinks | Pizza | Purdy's Chocolate |
| Juice Box \$1.50 | Cheese \$2.50 | \$3 & \$6 |
| Water | Pepperoni | \$3 Chocolate Bar |
| | Variety \$2 | \$8 Chocolate with Almonds 85g |

Pizza slice, chips, & drink Combo \$5

Join us in the Large Cafeteria on some Fridays!