

FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY SCHOOL

A caring, creative, intelligent school!

WEEKS AT A GLANCE

June 6th - 17th, 2016

A hard copy of this WAAG is available in the brochure holder on the wall adjacent to the library.

Dear Fairview Families

As we come another week closer to year end, we want to invite you to become part of our wonderful PAC for next year. If you are interested, please come to the PAC meeting on Monday evening where your new PAC Committee will be voted in for the coming year. Mairi Dunn, our current president, will be stepping back from this role and I want, with all of you, to thank her for all the work she has done and continues to do for this school. Mairi cares deeply for the students of Fairview and is often big supporter/worker for staff, students and their families.

Mairi, we appreciate you.

Thank you, Jane and your Fairview Staff

WEEKS AT A GLANCE:

6-Monday

- Swimming Lessons: Div 4, 7, and 9
- PAC MEETING at 6:30. All are welcome.
- Regular dismissal time 1:37 pm

7-Tuesday

- Div 1 and 4 to Woodlands Drama Performance 11:30 2:30
- Div 6 Bowling 9:45 11:30
- Dance Club in MPR 11:45

8-Wednesday

- Free bread available after school at the office
- Sports Lunch

9-Thursday

- District Track and Field Meet for our 8 qualifying students.
- Swimming Lessons: Div 2, 3, 4, 8 and 13
- Gardening Program Continues
- 10-Friday
 - Swimming Lessons: Div 1, 6, 10, 11, 12

13-Monday

- Swimming Lessons: Div 4, 7, and 9
- Regular dismissal time 1:37 pm
- Strawberry Tea for Anne Reid's Retirement- 2-4pm. You are welcome to drop in and wish her the best with us!

14-Tuesday

- Swim to Survive grade 7's 12:30 2:00
- Dance Club in MPR 11:45 am

15-Wednesday

- Div 3 & 4 to Victoria 8:45 5:00
- Div 1 Escape Room 9:15 12:20
- Free bread available after school at the office

16-Thursday

- Swimming Lessons: Div 2, 3, 4, 8 and 13
- Free bread available after school at the office
- Gardening Program Continues

17-Friday

- Swimming Lessons: Div 1, 6, 10, 11, 12
- Dance Club in MPR 11:45 am



Developing a new transportation policy for 2017-18

The district's current Transportation Policy is outdated as it relies on a Ministry of Education policy that no longer exists. As such, the province of BC does not provide targeted funding for transportation. Across the province, districts have proposed changes to transportation in an effort to realize savings or to redirect funds back into the classroom.

Did you know?

- The district transports 1,723 students in Nanaimo and Ladysmith areas (December 2015).

- Approximately 43% of registered riders are courtesy riders, and do not qualify under the current eligibility requirements.

- The 2015-16 annual student transportation budget is \$1,575,995.

- There is no legislative requirement for school districts to provide transportation services.

The district intends to engage the community in its review of the current transportation policy and the development of a new policy and administrative procedure that would begin September 2017.

Whether your child rides the bus or not, please take a moment and fill out the <u>online survey</u>. The survey will close August 31, 2016.

For more information, visit <u>www.sd68.bc.ca</u>

Community Garden Update

Hello again from the Garden!

Last week we harvested and shelled fava beans of many sizes, harvested garlic scapes, mint and sorrel all from our Fairview garden which was blended into a delicious dip (recipe below)! Try it at home and check out the bustling farmers markets for any ingredients you may not have (there are farmers markets in and around Nanaimo on Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays)! This week we harvested borrage, calendula, violas, garlic scapes, mint, strawberries, and rhubarb! Next week will be a special treat with a few of those new items ©

A huge thank you to Ms. Keen's and Ms. Sens' classes for all the help watering our garden the last month! Congratulations to Fairview PAC for their successful garden grant application! And another thank you to all the parents and teachers for the lovely conversations and enthusiasm in the garden! Chrys

Fava Bean Dip

1 pound fresh fava beans, shelled and steamed 2-3 medium radishes, (about 1/2 cup) 1 teaspoon lemon zest 1 tablespoon lemon juice 1/2 cup of plain yogurt 1 tablespoon chopped mint leaves sea salt and black pepper 1/4 cup olive oil 1 garlic clove, peeled OR 3 garlic scapes

Toss everything into a blender/food processor and pulse a few times (or more for super smooth). Play with the proportions to meet all food preferences and get excited to eat fresh foods from the garden

Upcoming Events:

- June 13 2-4 pm: Mrs. Reid's Retirement Strawberry Tea; all are Welcome!
- Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony Monday, June 27th 2016 @ 1:00 pm, parents/guardians are MOST WELCOME! Please come honour your grade 7s with us.
- June 28- PAC sponsored Year End Barbeque and Swim
- Last Day of School Wednesday, June 29th 2016
 - Pancake Breakfast 8:00 am, followed by a morning Good-bye Gathering
 - Report Cards Issued

Community School Programs

1. Kids Can Cook. Tuesdays, May 24 - June 14 from 2:45 pm - 4:00 pm in multi-purpose room. Program is full.

We are both proud and excited that Fairview was the recipient of one of the Chapters-Indigo Love of Literacy grants for 60 000.00! Mrs. Lyons is collaborating with all staff and students to create books list and ideas for our classrooms and our library. It is very exciting! Our goal is to provide our students with BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS to encourage passionate, engaged readers who see themselves and the world around them in books! What a wonderful gift to make this happen!!!!

> "Come with me,' Mom says. To the library. Books and summertime go together."



<u>Country Grocer Receipts</u>: please remember to drop off all receipts to the box on the counter in the school office. For every \$1000 in receipts collected our PAC receives a \$10 gift card. Last year we used this money to purchase our delicious bbg lunch for our year end celebration.