



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. Mme Ardanaz, Ms. Pearce, Mrs. Farnden, Ms. Foucher, Mrs. Taylor, Ms. Barnes, Mrs. Jensen and Mrs. Jain will be moving to new positions within the Delta School District. While Mr. Lapierre will be moving to the Burnaby 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



Mrs. Ohs will also not be here in the fall as she will be welcoming her new baby into the world and spending the next year on her maternity leave! We look forward to welcoming her back to Ladner Elementary in September 2019

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.

On a personal note, I would like to say thank you to everyone for the kind words and good wishes you have sent me over the past few weeks. As most of you already know, this will be my final year at Ladner Elementary. The past five years have been wonderful for me and I have loved being a part of this community. I will miss you all! Even though I will be at a different school, I will continue to feel a strong sense of pride in all of the wonderful things that will continue to happen here at Ladner Elementary. Thank you to everyone for making my time here so enjoyable.

I HOPE EVERYONE HAS A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER!



SCHOOL INFO & REMINDERS

Staff Changes for September:



Mme Steer – Intermediate French Teacher

Mme Stevenson– Intermediate French Teacher

Ms. Hope – Primary English Teacher

Ms. Graham – P.E. Teacher Ms. Kolshuk – LST Teacher

Mrs. Ray - Principal

REPORT CARDS AND DISMISSAL ON THE LAST DAY OF SHOOL



Third term report cards will be sent home with students on the last day of school (Thursday, June 28th). 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 2018 START UP



School will re-open on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. 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. Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2018

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

Please do not send school supplies until student have moved into their permanent classroom – hopefully this will be 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 5, 2018

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.

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!

MESSAGES FROM YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

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





