



June 2019

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It's June and there is a lot of fun happening at Central this month! If you haven't checked out our new playground equipment make sure you stop and have a look. Ask your child about the visit we had from Science World and the many other activities taking place at school. If you missed our Parent Café night last week, plan on joining us this Tuesday for our final Family Gathering. The theme this year is "Rejoice in our Culture and Community" and it is an opportunity for our **entire** Central Community to come together and celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day. Dinner will be served!

As we count down the final days in June, I find myself reflecting back on the many successes we have experienced this year, as well as optimistically looking ahead and planning for our next exciting school year. With less than 14 days to go, our students have been challenged to make every day count and make every day the best day possible. Let us end this year on a positive note! We are currently looking at staffing for next year, as well as student class placements. We ask that you trust the process as staff collaborate to make thoughtful decisions as to where students are placed next year in order to make the best possible learning environments.

A reminder that students are expected to be in good standing, in terms of behavior, in order to attend field trips. As much as we would like to have all students participate in field trips and special school activities, teachers have the discretion to leave students at school under the supervision of another staff member if they feel your child's behavior has not been respectful and responsible. As well, permission forms need to be signed (approved on line) by the date given, in order for students to attend trips.

Thursday June 27th is our opportunity to recognize the year-long excellence of our grade 4 and 5 students and say farewell to our grade 5 students as they transition to middle school. Family members are invited to come and

June Dates to Remember:

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| Jun 11 | 2:45-5:00 p.m. Family Gathering |
| Jun 17 | 9:30 School Pancake Breakfast
Spirit Week |
| Jun 18 | 12:00-1:00 p.m. Gr. 5 Luncheon with staff |
| Jun 20 | 9:00 a.m. Track & Field @ Sardis Secondary |
| Jun 21 | Sports Day — Wear your team color |
| Jun 24 | Grade 5 students visit CMS
Celebration Assembly at 1:40pm |
| Jun 27 | LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
10:45 a.m. Celebration/Awards Assembly
(Intermediate Students Only)
12:45 a.m. Early Dismissal
Report Cards Go Home |

honour the students with their presence. The assembly will begin at 10:45 a.m. **Dismissal is at 12:45 p.m.** for all students, so there will be no lunch break on this final day of classes.

Our final newsletter at the end of June will provide staffing updates for next year as well as our bell schedule etc.

Monthly Focus: **Warm Hearted: I can speak and act kindly**

ARE YOU MOVING?

We are currently planning for the 2019/2020 school year. In order to determine our staffing allocations and classes for next year, it is important that we have accurate enrollment numbers. If you intend on moving and know that your child will not be attending Central next year, we would really appreciate this information. Likewise, if your child will be attending another school in the district, they would also appreciate this valuable information.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If you have a child born in 2014, it is time to register him/her for Kindergarten. Please register immediately to ensure your child has a space here at Central, as classes are filled on a first come first serve basis. Please visit <https://www.sd33.bc.ca/registration> to register your child. Please pass this information on to your neighbours should they have kindergarten age children.

ATTENDANCE

Given the strong correlation between student success and regular attendance, we want to encourage all students to be at school every day and on time (barring illness of course). Remember only 13.5 days left for them to complete their grade level requirements. Every day matters!

As Woody Allen once said, *“80 percent of success is showing up.”*

SPORTS DAY

Sports Day is scheduled for Friday June 21st. Our students are being divided into four teams: Red, Yellow, Green, and Blue, and they will all compete for the Sockeye Cup. There will be a wide variety of activities, relays, and games prepared for all students to celebrate the end of another amazing year. The Sardis Kiwanis food truck will be on site for Sports Day. This year students will receive a hot lunch order form if they would like to purchase to lunch for sports day. Prices will be on the form for burgers, fries, hot dogs and drinks. Parents, sibling and Central friends attending will be able to purchase lunch from the food truck directly. They accept cash only.

FIELD TRIPS

A lot of field trips and special activities are planned for June. We always appreciate parent volunteers, but it is important that each one be approved. This is for your child’s protection. Every volunteer must have a completed *Criminal Record Check* on file at the school office (there is no cost for this).

It’s also important that all permission forms are filled out, returned to the classroom teacher with payment (if there

is a cost), and on time in order for your child to attend. Please see your child’s teacher if you are missing a form.

SUMMER LEARNING

Online registration for the Summer Learning program is now open. Elementary programs start on July 2 at the NLC (Chilliwack Senior School) and run through to July 15th. All courses are FREE. For more information see the Chilliwack School District website. Registration closes June 29th.

<https://www.sd33.bc.ca/summer-learning->

Register soon as spots are filling up quickly!

LIBRARY NEWS

Central Elementary library will soon be closing for the year. Thank you to all the *Super Readers* this year! Ms. Scott is asking that all borrowed library books be returned by June 21st so she can prepare the library for next year. Books will be available for students to read in the library, but they will not be able to sign them out or take them home the last week of school.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR 2019/2020

The school is ordering all the school supplies again for the 2019/2020 school year, and will have them ready for your child’s arrival in the fall.

➔ **Intermediate students** (grade 4-5) **will be charged \$35.00**

➔ **Primary students** (grade K-3) **will be charged \$30.00**

- Payments are due in September 2019
- All payments are to be made directly to your child’s teacher, and you will receive a receipt for payment
- **If your child’s payment wasn’t received for their supplies this year, you will need to purchase their school supplies and bring them to school in September.**
 - Your child will be coming home with a letter if your supplies have not been paid for.

If you are unsure if your account is up-to-date, please contact the school office.

BIKES/SCOOTERS/SKATEBOARDS

With the warm weather in full swing, please remember that it is mandatory for all bicycle riders to wear a helmet. Please ensure that your child has a helmet and an adequate bike lock. Also, students are asked not to ride bicycles, skateboards, and scooters on school grounds. Remember... *“Wheels Up”* while on school grounds.

HOT WEATHER REMINDER

As the weather gets warmer, please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle and some sunscreen.

DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

This is just a friendly reminder that if you plan to have your family pet accompany you to school, they need to be leashed while on school property.

LICENSED SUMMER FUN

Chilliwack Central Elementary Community School Society (CCECSS) sent home notices sharing their upcoming camps and programs for summer. If you have any questions, or want to register your child in any of their programs, contact their office at (604) 792-8539.

PAC NEWS

We would like to pass on a big *“Thank you!”* to our PAC executives and all the parent members. We, at Central are very thankful for all the hard work and dedication you have provided over the course of this school year. You play a huge role at Central, and we are forever grateful!

If you have questions for the PAC, you can reach them via email: central-pac@sd33.bc.ca

NEWS FOR NEXT YEAR

School Reopens – on Tuesday September 3, 2019

- The office will reopen the week before school starts.

School Supplies – please see the school supplies section of this newsletter with important information about cost

Kindergarten Families – incoming families will be mailed a letter in late August, with information regarding their first couple of weeks at school. This letter will also be posted on the school website.

Community School Office – will remain open throughout most of the summer. If you need to reach them please call (604) 792-8539 or email the office at ccecss@gmail.com

Stay Up-to-Date – please check the school website for the most up-to-date information: <http://central.sd33.bc.ca>

If you have questions or comments, feel free to do the following:

- **Visit** the school office
- **Call** the school office at (604) 792-8537
- **Email** the school at central@sd33.bc.ca
- **Check** the School Website <http://central.sd33.bc.ca>

We are Central; where passion meets purpose!

Kindest regards,

Mrs. L. Waddington, Principal

“Nine tenths of education is encouragement”
-Anatole France-