

Sunday, June 22, 2025

Good afternoon, Sardis Families. Well, it's hard to believe this is the last Sunday email for the school year. We had a beautiful day for the District Track and Field meet last week, with a strong showing from our students, as well as our Ks and 1s going to the movie and enjoying pizza and freezies (thanks to the PAC for supplementing that trip with the \$10 donation!), and our Intermediate Sports Day which saw students get a little wet but have a lot of fun!

It's going to be another very busy week, with lots going on, which means it will likely go by very quickly. I will be sending out one more email towards the end of the week, but for now, here are some things for you to know as we head into week #43 at Sardis Elementary:

\*On Monday, June 23, we will be celebrating National Indigenous Peoples Day. While the actual day this is recognized is June 21, we were able to secure the Indigenous Department's team for Monday. Students in Grades 3 – 5 will begin the morning with an assembly and then move into a variety of stations which will go until 1:15. Students in Kindergarten – Grade 2 will have an opportunity to learn drumming and engage in singing with Mr. Rick Joe in the morning. We appreciate the work Ms. Joe has done to arrange for this wonderful learning opportunity for our students, as well as the Indigenous Education Department!

\*The Kona Ice truck will be here after school on Monday again. Grade 5 students will all be provided a free cup thanks to the fundraising done by the Grade 5 Celebration committee and they will begin lining up before school ends, but for all other students there will be sales beginning at 2:15.

\*Mr. Hunt has extended the deadline to sign up for the #Booksout4summer opportunity to Monday, so please fill out the attached form, or come in and see him, if you'd like to take home some of our school books for your child to read over the summer.

\*We're so excited to be sending home the Sardis yearbooks on Monday! Mrs. Perkins and her team of students have created a beautiful keepsake with photos of events throughout the year, so if your child has pre-ordered one of them, it will be coming home on Monday. We did order a few extras, so if you forgot to order a book for your child and would like to buy one, they will be available on a first-come-first-served basis until they are gone. They can be purchased at the office and the cost is \$20.

\*Tuesday, June 24, is our Sardis Has Talent Show. We have a very talented group of students who are ready to share their talents with us and it's going to be an amazing show! Students will be able to see the show at 10:30 and then we invite any family members that would like to come and see it to come to the gym at 1:00 for the second show. We will be

having a slightly earlier recess that day (9:45 – 10:00) in order to make sure we have time to fit in all of the presenters before lunch. Thanks to Mrs. Piper

\*Our final freezie sale will be on Tuesday after school, 2:15, as we continue to raise funds for the Cops for Cancer and Terry Fox Foundation events taking place in the fall. Jumbo freezies are only \$2, available at the undercover area outside the office.

\*Our Grade 5 Leaving Ceremony will be taking place on Wednesday, June 25, at 12:45. We will open the doors to the gym on the parking lot side at 12:15 for parents, guardians, and family members to access the gym. We look forward to sharing this time with you and your child!

\*The last day for students is Thursday, June 26 with dismissal being at 11:15 that day. Learning Summaries (report cards) are handed out at the end of class that day but if your child is going to be away, let me know and we can arrange to have it emailed to you.

\*This week we will have the lost and found items out on display at the front of the school. Please come and take a look, or encourage your child to do so, as we do clean these things out after school on Friday when they are donated to The Community Cupboard. There are a lot more items since we put them out last and we'd love to see them reunited with their owners.

\*I've attached a flyer here that has information on the Big Brothers Big Sisters program here in Chilliwack. If you would like to be a mentor or think your child would benefit from having one, please connect with Candace Craigen (her contact info is on the flyer) for more information.

\*It's an early start to school in the fall, with students in Grades 1 – 5 returning on Tuesday, September 2. School will be in session that day from 8:15 – 10:15 and then beginning Wednesday we are back to the same bell schedule as this year (8:10 warning bell, 8:15 class starts, 10:15 recess, 11:50 lunch, and 2:13 dismissal). Our incoming Kindergarten students have a gradual start, beginning Wednesday September 3, and families will be receiving information on that in the first week of July.

School supplies will be \$45 again next year; however we are giving you the notice now that we have been informed by the finance department at all school supply fees will need to be paid online using the QuickPay system. If you haven't already set up an account, you have time over the summer and can use this link to do that: [QuickPay](#)

I'd like to thank everyone who has supported our school this year as we come to the end of the 2024/25 school year. We appreciate all the work our PAC has done to support students, staff, and families, our Super Reader team of Rae-Anne and Victoria and The Kiwanis Club,

Deanne and her team of hot lunch volunteers, and all of you who have volunteered your time in classrooms. We have had community support from Save-On Foods, Murray Honda/Canadian Tire, The Bowls of Hope program, The Starfish Backpack program, The Rotary Club of Chilliwack After Hours group, the Carman United Church cookie baking team, and Andy at Thomson Exteriors for our Chiefs hockey tickets. They say it takes a village to raise a child, and I truly believe we have received that support from our school and Chilliwack community this year as we work together to see students succeed!

Mrs. Kasper