



## Cultus Lake Community School (Swilcha = Cultus Lake)

### June 2023 Newsletter

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It's hard to believe that this is the last newsletter of the 2022-23 school year! I wanted to send out a huge, 'Thank you' to all of the Cultus Lake Community School for welcoming me for my first year as the principal of this fantastic school. I have truly loved getting to know all of your children and this amazing community we have that supports our school!

The anticipation of a glorious June is filling us with energy for the last month of school! While learning will take place right up to June 29<sup>th</sup>, we have some fun activities interspersed throughout the month. Please check out the calendar at the end of this newsletter.



We are currently planning for the 2023-2024 school year. In order to determine our staffing allocations, it is very important that we have accurate enrollment numbers. If you are intending on **moving** and know that your child(ren) will not be attending Cultus Lake Community School next year, we would really appreciate this information. Notifying us of your movement helps not only us but the new school your child(ren) will be attending. Please contact Mrs. Wiebe ([leann\\_wiebe@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:leann_wiebe@sd33.bc.ca)) of any **address changes**.

## LITERACY

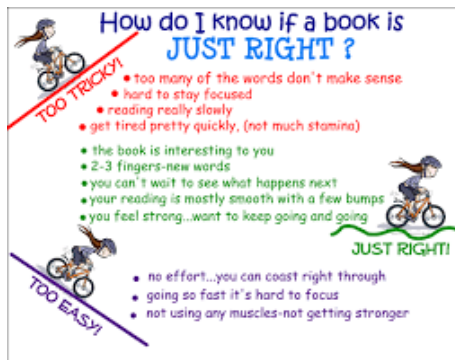
Literacy is one of the core pillars of our school growth plan. We provide students with the opportunity to read a variety of books either independently, with a small group, or in a whole class setting each day. For all of our 10 divisions to be able to provide joyful literacy opportunities, we need a lot of books!

Mrs. Knodel orders books for our library so that students can find books that are interesting to them as well as those texts that are beyond their reading level (and could be frustrating to try on their own) but are perfect for the teacher to use as a whole class, read aloud.

Our teachers provide classroom libraries that give students another opportunity for independent reading. These are called '**just right**' texts.

For literacy instruction, however, we need books that are not frustrating for students but that require them to stretch their skills, thinking and comprehension. This is called '**instructional level**' as these books are stretching our students to grow. This is done in a supportive, small group setting where the teacher facilitates and guides the reading in a purposeful way.

This past month, our school ordered new guided reading books for our students so that there will be some exciting new titles for them to read next year!



## TRANSITIONS

### Kindergarten - Important Dates:

#### REMINDER!

If your child turns 5 in 2023, please remember to register them for **Kindergarten**. Registration is open online – just remember you will need to provide a valid email address and upload a copy of your child's birth certificate and proof of residency.

**For more information, please visit SD 33 – Registration**

<https://sd33.vivosforms.com/Home>

**Kinderfair** – will take place on June 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. Please let your family and friends who have children that are coming to Kindergarten in September that we would love to see them out for this event!



## INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

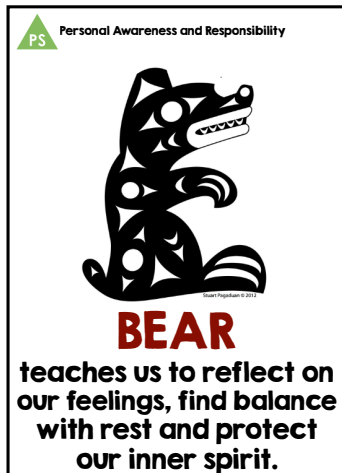
**Art Contest** – Congratulations to all of our artists who participated in the National Indigenous Peoples Day Art Contest. Cierra C's art was chosen to be in a 2024 calendar! Congratulations!

**Thewelhem Project** – on May 29<sup>th</sup>, our volunteers from C.L.A.S.S. (Cultus Lake Stewardship Society) helped to put our fish on our fence. Take a look at the photos! Or better yet, come and take a look at the real thing!



**PBS focus for June -**

Our focus for June is [spá:th](#) (Bear):



# Halq'eméylem

Our words for the following weeks in June are:

June 5	<b>máqel</b>	ma-kul	hair
June 12	<b>hamamt</b>	huh-mammt	to give away
June 19	<b>eyó:sthet</b>	ee-yoss-sut	have lots of fun

## FAMILY AFFORDABILITY FUND

Our Family Affordability Fund is still open to families who need support with school related items. Please email [lisa.wallace@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:lisa.wallace@sd33.bc.ca) for more information. We want to make sure that our families are supported when they need it!

## SCHOOL SPORTS

Thank you to our staff for organizing the very successful Cultus Lake Cross Country Run on May 4<sup>th</sup>! Last week we started our Track and Field practices. All of the staff are taking part in the coaching and organizing of this last school sport of the year! Mr. Vanderveen and Ms. Pollock will be taking our team to the District Track Meet on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. See attached info regarding Mini-Meets.

## JUNE NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY MRS. KNODEL

Something exciting is coming to our forest in the month of June. Along with the help of students in Mrs. van Dyk's class, we have put together a story walk that can be enjoyed by everyone in the community! (Some of you may be familiar with the one in Yarrow along the Vedder River). We hope to leave it up for your enjoyment for the first three weeks of June, so please make sure to have a walk and read a great story with your family! It begins at the entrance to the forest just south of the school parking lots. Thanks to the Van Klei's for providing the story stands.



All library books should be returned to the library by FRIDAY JUNE 16. If books cannot be found, fines should be paid so replacement copies can be purchased. If fines are paid and books are found before the end of this school year, you will be refunded. There will be some book incentive prizes to help students return their books on time. Remember to check under beds, in closets, in backpacks, and even school classrooms. Thanks so much for your help with this.

Remember the Chilliwack Public Library has Summer Reading Programs to help keep the joy of reading going over the summer!

### PAC NEWS

The next PAC meeting is **Tuesday, June 20 at 6:00** in the library.

Zoom link: <https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/j/62554946727>

**Cultus Lake Day Festival is on June 24th.** Applications are open once more to youth entrepreneurs (age 9-19). If your child is interested in applying for the full event or a tent share, please sign up here.

Event is also open to local businesses and food trucks at this time (same application)

<https://forms.gle/9vBoCBunnY2PrWU79>

### CULTUS LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION INFO

June 10 – **Babysitter's Program** (age 12 and up) 9:00 – 4:00

June 17 – **Home Alone Course** (ages 9 and up) 9:00 – 1:00

June 22 – **Kayaking Course** (Grades 3,4,5) 2:30 – 3:45 \* **One day only! \$25.00**

If you are looking for after school programs for your child, please check our website, contact the Cultus Lake Community School Association – [clcsacultuslake@gmail.com](mailto:clcsacultuslake@gmail.com) or call: 604-858-7192.

**Please note:** the Cultus Lake Community School Association has a different phone number from the school.



## JUNE CALENDAR

June is...

LGBTQ2S+ Pride Month

National Indigenous History Month

<b>Thurs. June 1</b>	Spirit Day – <b>Rainbow</b> Day!
<b>Fri. June 2</b>	Assessment and Evaluation Day ( <b>no school for students</b> )
<b>Mon. June 5</b>	National Health and Fitness Day
<b>Tues. June 6</b>	*Whole school hike to Teapot Hill
<b>Fri. June 9</b>	*Waterslides (more information coming home this week)
<b>Tues. June 13</b>	Talent Show (1:00)
<b>Wed. June 14</b>	Kinderfair (1:00 – 2:00)
<b>Thurs. June 15</b>	Grade 5 students visit MSMS
<b>Fri. June 16</b>	Sports Day
<b>Tues. June 20</b>	PAC Meeting <b>Zoom link:</b> <a href="https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/j/62554946727">https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/j/62554946727</a>
<b>Wed. June 21</b>	Indigenous Peoples Day
<b>Thurs. June 22</b>	SD 33 Track Meet at Sardis Senior Secondary School
<b>Tues. June 27</b>	**Beach Day
<b>Tues. June 27</b>	Canadian Multiculturalism Day
<b>Wed. June 28</b>	Grade 5 Celebration
<b>Thurs. June 29</b>	Grade 5 Assembly
<b>Thurs. June 29</b>	Last Day of School - Early Dismissal at 10:59

\*Permission slips for Teapot Hill and Waterslides went home last week and are now due back to school

\*\* Permission slip for Beach Day is going home this week – please read carefully regarding student's swimming ability

## FIELD TRIPS

Information for upcoming field trips:

**Waterslides** – if your child chooses to bring **money**, please remind them that they are responsible for keeping track of it. Often the line ups at the food stand are VERY long. It is recommended that students bring their own lunch and water bottle.

If **families** would like to come to the waterslides, they are welcome but must enter with the school at 9:30 so that you can get group pricing.

If your child is **staying at the waterslides** past the time when the school leaves (1:15), please let your child's teacher know in writing (email or a note) prior to June 9<sup>th</sup> who they will be staying with and their contact number.

**Beach Day** – hot lunch for Beach Day can be ordered through Munch-a-Lunch. If you need support with this or any field trip costs, we can help! Please contact Mrs. Wallace.

## SUMMER LEARNING

See **attached brochure** for summer learning programs.