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June eNewsletter (can you believe it!)



Mr. Darren Stewart Principal

Principal's Message June 18, 2017

My goodness how time flies when you are having fun. We are just a few days away from wrapping things up but we wanted to get one more informational newsletter out before the end of the year (I will send out a final one next week with just some thoughts on the year that was).

Karen West sent an email the other day asking that if you are planning on coming to the grade eight leaving ceremony on Tuesday, to please rsvp to her. This event is our chance to say goodbye and good luck to our grade eights.

The plan for next week:



Ms. Elspeth Anjos Vice Principal

plan for none week.	
Monday, June 26	 Final student Assembly 10:15 – 11:30 Band and choir performance Parents/guests are welcome Sneak peek into the yearbook Locker clean out
Tuesday, June 27	 Grade Eight Leaving Ceremony Seating to start @ 10:15 Ceremony 10:30-11:30 - Cake to follow in the cafeteria Parents / guests welcome (please RSVP to Karen West) Yearbook Distribution 1-3
Wednesday, June 28	 Playland Day Students arrive at regular time Students will be dismissed when we return to the School
Thursday, June 29	 Report Card Pick up 9:00 am Students pick up reports and then head off for summer vacation

A huge thank you to our PAC

We would just like to extend a thank you to our PAC and to all of you for your support for our school. Between the donations and some fundraising, we were able to raise enough money to purchase the following items:

Ping Pong tables Document cameras Yearbook camera Games room supplies Buses for Winter Activity Day and Playland New guitars Teacher classroom support Freezer



Also available on our website under the heading <u>On the Calendar @</u> www.sd43.bc.ca/middle/comolake

Monday, June 26 Tuesday, June 27 Wednesday, June 28 Thursday, June 29 Friday, June 30 *Year end assembly – 10:30-11:30am
*Grade 8 leaving ceremony 10:30am parents/guardians invited
*Playland Day – school wide – full day
*9-9:30 – report card pick up – school not in session
Admin day only – no students – school not in session

BRING ON SUMMER VACATION

*Full year school schedule is also posted on our website.

REPORTING ABSENCES



DID YOU KNOW??? You are able to report absences, late arrivals and early dismissals on our web site. www.sd43.bc.ca/middle/comolake. It is very important to let us know before start of the school day if your child is not attending. We must hear from the parent or guardian. The absence reporting form is on the front page of our web site. This is a great option for reporting in advance as well as day of. We will automatically receive a notification here in the office so no need for phone calls or notes for dismissal.

If you are unable to report through the web site please call the office and report all absences for your child before 8:40am. The office is open at 8am however we do have an answering machine where absence information can be left at any time.

If your child needs to leave early and you are unable to access the eForms on line please send a note with them that they can bring to the office when they sign out. Without the eForm or a note the parent will be required to come to the office and sign out the child.

** What did one hat say to the other hat? "You stay here, I'll go on a head"

Como Lake Middle Schools rocks it again!!!!



Our annual Smokey Barbeque was a great success. With all proceeds from the barbeque combined with generous donations from our families and ongoing support of our freezie/bake sales we will be presenting the Share Food Bank with a \$1,000 cheque TODAY!

YOUR ON LINE ACCOUNT

For all our new incoming parents/guardians our school uses the Cash On Line Account system to deliver all field trips and items requiring payment. We do not print paper forms so it is very important that you take the time to sign up for a Cash On Line Account. This is where you will find vital details regarding events happening throughout the school year.

Information for this can be found on our Como Lake Middle School web page – under the button On-Line Payment.



As well attached to this newsletter will be a brochure outlining this feature.

NEWSLETTER ATTACHMENTS:

Red Wolf Summer Camp opportunities

Mindful Youth - how to deal with anxiety and stress for youth

From the Ministry – Talk to your youth about drugs

Grade 6 Stay active card - how to obtain one

Free* Youth Admission with a paid adult – Royal BC Museum Come to Victoria this summer for a visit on us! Check out our feature exhibition *Family: Bonds and Belonging* and other exciting programs. **One free youth admission (ages 6 – 18) with the purchase of an adult admission. One youth per paid adult.*

VOLUNTEERS



Also appreciated and always welcomed!

Our required forms, Volunteer applications and Driver applications are online on our Como Lake Middle School website. Also required is a Criminal Record check. The form and letter to obtain a Criminal Record check can be picked up in the office. Get a head start on having the Criminal Record check done!

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP?



A parent is asking us to share the following:

"Driver needed to drive my child to and from school each day -Brunette/Marmont area to Como Lake Middle. Hoping to start for the next 2017/2018 school year. We will compensate you for this. Please call the school and they will connect you with me."

PAC NEWS



GET IN THE KNOW HERE AT COMO!

Please join us for our next PAC meeting which will be held Wednesday, **September 27** @ 7:00pm in the library. The PAC meeting will provide a unique opportunity to have a voice in what happens here at the school, to meet new people, and to be a part of this welcoming community. Refreshments will be provided. All are welcome. See you there!

Tamara Dean, Como Lake PAC Chair



- Darren Stewart, Principal
- Elspeth Anjos, Vice-Principal
- Ashley Ambrosio, Counsellor Louise Allan , Youth worker
- Karen West, Head Secretary
- Karen Heinrich, SIS Operator

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