

École Pauline Haarer

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE - MESSAGE DE LA DIRECTRICE

We know it is June when we see next year's kindergarten students stepping into the school for their Welcome to Kindergarten event! There were some very sparkly eyes and beaming faces in the school June 1st! Thank you to all of the current students for your cheerful 'bienvenue' gestures. The grade 3 and 4 students in Mme Suzanne's class were especially excited to show our new students their research projects and science experiments. With 20 days of school remaining, please check your calendars and planners carefully as there are events happening nearly every day.

Field Trips and Events in May: From kindergarten to grade seven, students were on the move. While some visited the beach, the park, the North Island Wildlife Recovery Centre, the Legislature and VIU's Extreme Science Show, others were busy running, swimming, singing, dancing, playing ball. Grade 7s had their annual trip to Camp Qwanoes and NDSS.

Athletics: Some students were able to participate at Healthamongus. Congratulations to all grade 3 to 7 students for participating in our school track meet April 25 and to the 86 students who qualified to compete in the zone meet May 24. Forty of our athletes qualified for the district meet June 8. All that training with teachers and with Mike Connors and Gary Croome in the mornings has paid off! Go, Dragons!

Bike to School Challenge: Our Bike to School Week has come to an end with a tally of 808 one-way trips for our school. Thank you to all students and parents who participated in the challenge, even on days when it was raining. If you rode with your child, remember you can also register and log your kilometres at https://www.biketowork.ca/registration.

1. Complete your personal registration information.

2. Select "Nanaimo" for Region, "City of Nanaimo" for City,

and select "I am a rider", then "Join an existing team" and

search for "Pauline Haarer" or "Pauline Haarer Dragons".

Patati et Patata Finalists: Kudos to all the students who prepared a presentation and had the courage to present in front of their peers in class and/or in the gym. Our school presenters were: K – Eli, Jack, Rowan; Gr. 1-2 – Valentina, Jeremy, Ellie; Gr. 3 – Teagan, Faithe; Gr. 4-5 – Ally & Jasmine, Zoe, Nadia; Gr. 6 & 7 – Aia & Tessa, Jack, Jaren. The names in bold were selected to represent our school at the Port Theatre. Congratulations Jaren and Teagan for your first-place finish at the district level.

YOUNG/JEUNES ENTREPRENEURS

Mme Dominique's students have been busy preparing their business plans and creating interesting products for sale in the gym June 6, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. Guests are welcome!

TRACK AND FIELD – ATHLÉTISME

The district track meet is June 8, 9:00 am - 2:30 pm. Thank you to all who have volunteered with driving students and with hosting the girls' long jump event. The final zone meet was June 1st, so we have just learned that in addition to the athletes who qualified for their individual events, all of our medley relay teams qualified and almost all of our 4x100 relay teams. Track practices continue Monday and Wednesday June 5 and 7. Parents and staff are invited to join us for the June 7 practice!

Our district meet qualifiers are:

Bantams

Jordan, Portia, Abby, Grace, Sophie, Kiera, Danika, Isabelle, Nick, James, Josh, Dawson, Domenic, Nate, John

PeeWees:

Jaren, Zachary, Bailey, Ben, Kenny, Sophia, Solace, Ayumi Grace, Nadia, Nissa, Bekky, Natalie

Tykes

Lachlan, Erik, Lukas, Malcolm, Sullivan, Hannah, Amariah, Sayjah, Clare, Reese, Good luck to all!

GARDEN PLEASURES - JOIES DU JARDIN

The flowers in our garden are looking beautiful thanks to our parent volunteers! Some of the primary classes were excited to release their butterflies into the garden last week. You may have also heard the baby birds chirping in the birdhouse near the office. If you have a little extra time, we would love to be able to clean up the community garden areas (the island by the parking lot and the area by our school sigh). Any extra help with weeding is appreciated!

CLASS PLACEMENT – ASSIGNATION DE CLASSE

We have done a draft organization of classes for next year to maximize quality of teaching and learning conditions for *all* students and taking into consideration individual students' social and academic needs. Please note that even though our numbers are usually quite stable, students moving away or entering our school can change class configurations. Therefore, final placements are not announced until the first day back in September.

RATHTREVOR BEACH – YEAR-END FIELD TRIP

With thanks to Madame Suzanne for organizing the workshops, to Jennifer for coordinating the buses and to PAC for hosting the lunch, we are ready to jump on the buses for a day at Rathtrevor Beach, Thursday, June 15. Parents are welcome to join us at the beach. Unfortunately, we only have room on the buses for students and staff. Remember to send your child with a hat, a snack, a water bottle and sunscreen!

GR. 7 FAREWELL CELEBRATIONS

As our grade 7s prepare to move on to grade 8, our École Pauline Haarer tradition is that the Grade Six students and parents plan, host, and prepare the Farewell Dinner for the Grade Seven students and parents. It is a wonderful and long-standing tradition of giving and receiving. This is an opportunity for the grade six students to show their thanks to the grade sevens for their leadership and for being role models over the years. It is also an opportunity for the grade 6 parents to thank the grade 7 parents for leading the way. Many of the grade 7 parents have been active on PAC, coaching, helping with field trips and special events over their eight years at ÉPH. This farewell celebration is also an opportunity to say thank you to all grade 7 parents for your years of community involvement at our school.

PAC NEWS -COMITÉ DE PARENTS

The last meeting for the Parent Advisory Committee this school year is Thursday, June 8th at 6:30 pm in the library. Child-minding is provided by grade 6-7 leaders. PAC includes EVERY parent who has a child at Pauline Haarer. Our school is strong because we have so many dedicated volunteers helping in classrooms, helping with sports, fine arts, special events, field trips and more. Many of these decisions are initiated or supported at the PAC meetings. So if you have not yet attended a meeting and would like to begin thinking about September, the June meeting is a good place to start!

YEAR-END ASSEMBLY, JUNE 29

As excited as we may be about summer, there is always something special about a year-end assembly where students, staff and parents wish the grade 7s a successful start in high school and say good-bye to students, families, and staff members moving to other locations. Sometimes we are also able to say hello to new staff members joining us. One of the traditions of the year-end assembly is the year-end slide show. We have been sifting through our photos in preparation for this show. However, if you have a few perfect shots of students you would be willing to share, please email them to kyounk@sd68.bc.ca by June 16.

DRESS CODE – CODE VESTIMENTAIRE

Our school is like a work place and we thank all who share our space for wearing clothing appropriate to a school setting. Our simple expectations are that tops meet bottoms, undergarments are hidden, shorts and skirts are one hand length below the hip joint and shoes are suitable for active play.

STUDENT LEADERS-CONSEIL DES ÉTUDIANTS

Our Grade 4 to 7 student leaders have been very active this year in bringing monthly fun and special events into our calendar. They also raised funds to stock our playground equipment bin and found student volunteers in grades 4 through 7 to take a turn signing out equipment. These leaders have given up their Wednesday lunch recess all year to plan these events. A special thanks to Michelle Gale and this dedicated group of young leaders for your enthusiasm and initiative throughout the year!

CALENDAR – CALENDRIER <u>www.paulinehaarer.ca</u> June-juin (and there may still be class additions!)

- Welcome to Kindergarten!
 Bike to Work & School Week (May 29-June 4)
 Sautons en Coeur Assembly; Div. 9 Tim Hortons
 Div. 4 Swim Lessons (also June 12, 19, 22)
 Tinal Running Club Practices for June!
 Jeunes Entrepreneurs in the gym 9:30-1:30

 *Guests welcome!
 Div. 1 Swim Lessons (also June 9, 16, 20)
 Div. 7 Nanaimo Museum
- Div. 8 Departure Bay; Div. 10 Swim-to-Survive
 District Track Meet, 9:00-2:30 (40 participants)
 Div. 6 & 10 Oceans' Day at Maffeo-Sutton Park
 Div. 2 Morrell Sanctuary
 PAC Meeting, 6:30 pm
- Div. 1 & 7 Artist in the School
 Div. 10 Final Trip to Tim Hortons
- Div. 9 & 10 to Horne Lake CavesDiv. 1 to North Island Wildlife Recovery Centre
- 14 Talent Show
- 15 Whole School Trip to Rathtrevor
- 16 ALL LIBRARY BOOKS DUE BACK
- 20 Div. 2 to North Island Wildlife Recovery Centre
- 21 Div. 3 Riptide Lagoon
 - Grade 7 Farewell Dinner & Dance hosted by Gr. 6s
- 22 2:30-3:30 pm, Volunteer & Parent Appreciation Tea
- 23 Gr. 5-6-7 Dance
- 26 Build-a-Whale Workshops, all divisions
- 27 Build-a-Whale Workshops, continued
- 29 9:30-10:45 Year-End Assembly & Awards Last day of school for students
- 30 School-based Professional Development Day

