

400 Campbell St, Nanaimo, BC V9R 3G7 Telephone: 250-754-2722 School Year: 2019-2020 December 2019 Principal: Shannon Apland Secretary: Skye Dimmick (temp) Jennifer Mile (on leave)

# Principal's Message

Wow! November was an incredibly busy month with so many important activities! Moustache day was a ton of fun, thanks to those who contributed. The Everyone Deserves a Smile Campaign has almost come to an end, there is just this week left to bring in donations. Cross-Country and Football is wrapped up for another season and Triple-ball has already started-up. Pauline Haarer students are now busily preparing for the Winter Jamboree. Thanks to all staff, students and parents who have put in the extra time to make all of this fun stuff happen!

#### **GOOD LUCK – BONNE CHANCE!**

Mme. Pascale and Mr. Maher, teaching with Mme Nadia and Mme. Evelyne will be finishing their practicum experience with us soon. We wish them the best of luck in their future teaching careers and thank them for not only joining our staff and working with our students for the past three months but for also volunteering with NETPEA and helping out with Cross Country. We hope to see both of you back in our again school soon!

Sincerely, Mme. Apland

# Winter Musical Jamboree!

Preparations for our Holiday Musical Jamboree are underway. There will be a performance at 1pm matinee and an evening performance 6pm at on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. To stay within mandated safety regulations, 2 tickets will be provided to each family. There is no charge for tickets, however, a donation tin for Loaves and Fishes Food Bank will be at the entrance for those who are willing and able to contribute. A ticket letter for orders will be sent home today! Please look for it and return as soon as possible.

### Kindergarten Registration

It is hard to believe it is almost that time again! Registration for the 2020-2021 school year opens on January 8, 2020. Families interested in French Immersion for their incoming Kindergarten student will need to apply between January 8, 2020 and January 31, 2020 to be included in the French Immersion lottery. Families who currently have siblings attending Pauline Haarer will receive priority placement, as long as you have registered within the above timeframe. If you do not register within that timeframe, your child will be placed on the waitlist. Unfortunately, if the sibling is currently enrolled is in Grade 7, your incoming Kindergarten student will not receive priority placement. If you anticipate a younger sibling will be registering at Pauline Haarer, please advise the office soon as possible in addition to as registering online! More details about registration will be provided in the coming weeks.

# Supervision Before & After School

The school provides supervision 15 minutes before school and after school. Students should not arrive at school prior to 8:30 am, unless they are attending the onsite daycare or are signed in with an adult in charge for a sporting practice. Similarly, please ensure that your child(ren) are picked up at the end of the day by 1:52 pm (Mondays) and 2:52 pm (Tuesdays-Fridays). Students whose parents are late will be asked to remain at the office. If you know you will be late, please contact the office a minimum of 15 minutes before the end of the day, so that the office staff can locate your child and relay the message.

Please note that the alley and Scout Hut are not part of our school grounds, nor part of the city partnership area for our school use. We do not have security or sweeps in that area. Please ensure you arrange to pick up your child(ren) from the **FRONT** of the school for their safety.

#### Lost & Found

There are a number of unclaimed items in our lost and found. If you are missing a sweater, or jacket or any other article of clothing it might be in our Lost & Found! Items will be in the hallway near the Multipurpose Room over the next two weeks. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity on December 20<sup>th</sup> prior to Winter Break.

#### Library News

Wow. Last month of 2019. Students are lining up for some of the new titles purchased with PAC funds, in both French and English. More are also remembering to return their books Monday mornings so books can be processed and reshelved for taking out on Tuesdays. For December, the whole school is going to work on bringing in overdues so we can start 2020 with clean accounts. If you are travelling over the holidays and don't want to worry about books getting left on a plane, kids can take out books from La Petite Biblio--these are extras, donations, etc. No one wants to be bookless for the holidays!

Got books on the wish list for kids?? Graphic novels are really popular and are available in all reading levels. "Goldilocks books" are ones that are just right--not too easy but not too hard. If parents want to know what books kids take out (it can be hard to dig out that info from kids), pop in on a Monday and we can check your child's account to see what books have been taken out.

Q. What does Santa like to read? A. Books with the elfabet.

Mme Allisen

# **Upcoming Events:**

=	-
December 18:	Winter Jamboree 1pm and 6pm
December 20:	Last Day of Classes Before Winter
	Break

### New Year Calendar of Events:

January 6:	School Re-Opens after Winter Break
January 8:	Kindergarten Registration Opens
January 31:	Kindergarten Registration Closes
February 17:	BC Family Day – No School
February 24:	Non-Instructional Day (District Pro-D)
February 25:	Non-Instructional Day (School-Based Pro-D)
March 13:	Last Day of Classes Before Spring Break
March 30:	School Re-Opens After Spring Break
April 10:	Good Friday – No School
April 13:	Easter Monday – No School
May 18:	Victoria Day – No School
May 29:	Non-Instructional Day (School-Based Pro-D)
June 25:	Last Day of Classes Before Summer Break
June 26:	Administration Day – No School



Whole school collaborative art.

Caption: We are all unique and marvelous, but together we are a masterpiece!