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#### CORDOVA BAY



## THE CORDOVA BAY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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School District No. 63 (Saanich) resides on the traditional territory of the WSÁNEĆ people encompassing the five local communities: BO,KE,ĆEN (Pauquachin), MÁLEXEŁ (Malahat), WJOŁEŁP (Tsartlip), W,SIKEM (Tseycum), and S,TAUTW (Tsawout). We acknowledge and thank the WSÁNEĆ people on whose traditional territory we live, learn, and teach. The WSÁNEĆ people have lived and worked on this land since time immemorial



### Welcome!

Welcome to the new Cordova Bay Community Newsletter! Starting this week, we will be sending out a weekly bulletin on Fridays that will be a place to find important dates and information with ease regarding happenings in the school and in our community. As we are newly launching our newsletter, we'd love to have your feedback on things you'd like to see here and how we can continue to make this the best newsletter for all of us! We welcome your ideas!



### Kindergarten Registration

January 25 3:30 to 5:30 pm

January 26 12:30 to 2:30 pm

January 27 7:30 to 9:30 am

### HEALTH & SAFETY UPDATES

The Provincial Health Office has directed school districts to remind parents of the following information:

 All students should be wearing masks if possible on school buses and in classrooms. Masks are required for Kindergarten - Grade 12. Any requests for mask exemptions should be shared with school administration.

Parents, guardians, students and staff are being reminded to wash your hands regularly and perform a Daily Health Check. You can download the K-12 Health Check App at <u>k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca</u>.

Please stay home if you are not feeling well.



# Student Learning Survey for Grades 4, 7, 10 and 12

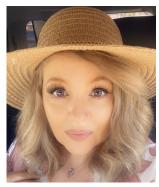
Help us plan for the future – tell us about your education experience. Students in Grades 4, 7, 10 and 12, their parents and all staff in B.C. public schools are invited to participate in an annual online satisfaction survey about their school experience.

The survey takes about 30 minutes to complete. If your school district or school has added questions, it may take longer.

Student and staff surveys are available in English and French. Parent surveys are available in 18 additional languages.

- Students should log in with their Personal Education Number (PEN)
  - Parents can access the survey:
- Without a login number; parents will need to select their district and school from drop-down lists and select the language they wish to complete the survey in.

### Take the survey



### And now introducing.....

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to our newest staff member Mrs. Shelley Somerset. Shelley joined our team back in the beginning of December, and you may have seen her smiling and waving at you from the office, or heard

her voice on the phone when you call into the school! Shelley joins us from the Victoria School district where she worked in an elementary school for 10 years, with a total of 17 years under her belt as an administrative assistant for school districts.

Shelley and her husband are animal lovers who rescue domesticated birds needing a home. They currently house 7 birds consisting of 2 cockatiels, 4 budgies, and one Rosy Bourke Parakeet who just turned 22 years old!



#### Welcome Mrs. Somerset, we are happy to have you joining our community!



#### Spare Room? Become a Host Family!

Saanich International Student Program (SISP) is in need of host families for international students joining our district in February 2022. Make life-long friendships, receive a generous allowance of \$975 per month to offset expenses and share the beauty of your home and community.

\*SISP is following all guidelines and requirements set by the Federal and Provincial Government regarding COVID-19. Extensive safety protocols are in place.\*

Apply Now: <u>https://mytruenorth.ca/hsportalindex.php?</u> <u>db=saanich</u> Learn More: <u>https://studyinsaanich.ca/host-interest</u>

#### Thank you for supporting student absence management at Cordova Bay.

Daily, we ask that you take the following important steps:



- 1. Daily Health Check (currently being updated by the province).
- 2. Please use the following APP for daily health checks https://bc.thrive.health/

### FESTIVAL OF FAMILY LITERACY JANUARY 23rd - 30th, 2022

South Island Literacy is excited to host the Festival of Family Literacy, an opportunity to learn about the various Family Literacy activities and events happening throughout the South Island the week of January 23-30th!

*Family Literacy Week* is celebrated in BC between January 23-30. 2022 and across Canada every January 27th. This is a time to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging the whole family in literacy-related activities and finding ways to connect through caring, playing and listening. All ages including parents, children & grandparents are encouraged to build skills in a fun way together!

Visit the <u>Festival of Family Literacy</u> to find out what is happening in your community this January. Check out any of the FREE activities throughout the South Island and learn how to enter into our great prize draw!

### Happy Family Literacy Week!



