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### Important Dates

June 15<sup>th</sup> – Pizza Lunch  
June 19<sup>th</sup> – Parent Appreciation  
June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Beach Day  
June 26<sup>th</sup> – Fun Day  
June 28<sup>th</sup> - Year End Assembly  
Sept 4<sup>th</sup> – First Day Back  
Sept 5<sup>th</sup> – Full day of School  
Sept 17<sup>th</sup> – Non Instruction Day  
Sept 18<sup>th</sup> – Welcome Back BBQ  
Sept 21<sup>st</sup> – Hot Lunch  
Sept 24<sup>th</sup> – Popcorn Day  
Sept 26<sup>th</sup> – Cross Country  
Sept 28<sup>th</sup> – Pizza Lunch  
Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> – Photo Day  
Oct 5<sup>th</sup> – Pizza Day  
Oct 8<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving  
Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – Great Canadian Shakeout – Earthquake Drill  
Oct 19<sup>th</sup> – Non Instruction Day  
Nov 12<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day  
Nov 16<sup>th</sup> – Hot Lunch  
Nov 22 – Early Dismissal  
Nov 23 – Non Instruction Day  
Nov 26<sup>th</sup> – Popcorn Day  
Dec 3 – Non Instruction Day  
Dec 7 – Pizza Day  
Dec 10 – Popcorn Day



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## From the Desk of Ms Gerow

### End of Year Count Down

I blinked! We are here in the final two weeks of the 2017/18 School Year and I wonder how it has flown by so quickly. We have seen a few changes of staff, arrival of babies (Ms Tates, little girl Emilie and Ms Banks, little boy, Makai Joseph), a new garden space at the end of the top field, addition of two portables, more students, the list could go on.

We started the year with a wonderful gathering of families and we will end the year saying goodbye to our Grade 5 students who will be moving on to their next step in their educational career...middle school and beyond. They will be heading to Spencer Middle School, Dunsmuir Middle School and Ecole John Stubbs. We will celebrate with an End of Year ceremony on June 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:30. The format will be slightly different this year as we will show the end of year video before we acknowledge the hard work of all our Grade 5 students. There will be a short intermission break to allow students from the younger classes to return to their rooms as needed. It is too a long assembly for some of our younger students. Parents are welcome to attend the assembly to help celebrate.

### Beach Day @ Gyro Park, June 22

Another tradition coming up fast. We will going to Gyro Park as stated in the previous newsletter. Notices have gone home. Please ensure that you have signed this form and send it back to the school so that we are able to take your child with us. As previously mentioned, the school will be closed for the day as we will all be at the beach.

Students who are not attending will need to remain at home for the day. We hope that everyone will be with us. As parents, you are welcome to join us however, you will need to make your own way down to the park.

*Two life guards will be on duty from 10 – 12 to allow students to play in the water but not go further than their knees. No swimming is permitted.*

Departure for the beach will be at 9am by bus. We will return to the school hopefully by 2pm. If you are joining us at the beach and are taking your child/ren home please ensure that you have spoken to the teacher of your child/ren and that it is recorded.

Another reminder will come out the night before.



## Millstream Playground

### Safety

#### Reminders!

Swings – ONE PERSON ONLY on a swing. Swing forward and backwards only. No “Spider” swinging. No side to side swinging or twisting of chains. No running between the swings or in front of swings

Slide – Feet first, one at a time. Up the ladder and slide down the slide

Trees – Are not to be climbed, pulled on or broken please be respectful of the environment

Fencing – Not to be climbed, especially fencing behind goal posts or on top of goal posts

Monkey Bars – One at a time. No sitting on top

Cement slope – Please stay off it at all times. Very slippery and dangerous. No ball playing in area AT ALL (too many windows and very dangerous)

Sticks and pinecones and rocks and woodchips – STAY ON THE GROUND

Hands to self – ALWAYS

Wall ball - only at back of gym

Red Staircase – Not a play area

Railings – Very dangerous to climb on the railings. Cement below in all areas.

Portables – the rock area is not for playing in or going behind



### News from the Library and Mme de Greef

#### Keep reading this summer!

To prevent losing some of the great progress your child has made in reading this year it is important that your child continues to read this summer. In the library students have had a visit from the public library to discuss their summer reading program: **Motion Commotion!** Students may go any public library location to pick up their passport to track their reading and be eligible for weekly prizes.

All students have also been shown Worldbook online which they can access through the links section of our school website. The password and username are: 62MIL. There are endless educational articles and games on this fabulous site.

Students were also introduced to the EPIC website which is a subscription service with over 25,000 books. There are many stories that can be read to your child with words highlighted as they read. Students can also get definitions for words by clicking on a word. This is a great way to access reading without even leaving your house!



Most books are in English but there are many in French as well.

French immersion students were also introduced to the website: **La Souris Web** that has many stories that can be read or have read to you for early primary to intermediate. Check out this great site this summer and keep reading in French!

#### Track and Field Day

As Ms Ogrodnik stated “Wow, this is the biggest track meet I have ever been to! Very well organized.” Another highly successful district meet was held on June 1, organized by the district sports council lead by Lorraine van Dyk (former Millstream teacher) and Jack Showers (from Savory) The event was attended by students from all over the district grades 3 – 5. Our Millstream students did very well and placing in the top 6 in the 100 metre, 200 metre, and relays. A gigantic shout out from the staff to Mr. Deichmann who took the main lead and organized all of the teachers, the students, the runs off etc. He did an amazing job not only coaching the students with how to run the relays and doing the shot put but also

ensuring that we could take as many students as possible. A great day was had by all participants.



10 year old Boys Relay



Individual races and Relays



Shot Put



## April Administration

Martha Gerow, Principal

Sam Ogrodnik, Vice Principal

### TEACHERS

Chelsea Sihota – Div1 (4/5)

S.Deichmann/Rhys Hill – Div 2(4/5)

Sylvia Devenport – Div 3(3/4)

Catherine Alpha – Div 4(2/3)

Michele King – Div 5(1/2)

Anna Lesfrud – Div 6 (K/1)

Heather Kyle – Div 7 (K)

S.Ogrodnik/S.Ramsbottom – Div 8F(4/5)

T deGreef/J Belanger –Div 9F(2/3)

Allison Wicher – Div 10F(1/2)

Betsy Clarke – Div 11F(1/2)

Lois McKenna – Div 12F (K)

Nevada Papineau – Music

Wendy Mann – Learning Support

Sonja Efford – Learning Support

Jenny Belanger – Learning Support

Sarah Ramsbottom – Learning Support

Michelle Kiefert – Counsellor

### SUPPORT STAFF

Cindy Latimer – School Secretary

Laura Tinker – Education Assistant

Lindsay Park – Education Assistant

Charro Woodford – Education Assistant

Tara Hebdon – Education Assistant

Kristy Buckler – Education Assistant

Trisha Moss – Education Assistant

Lidia Van der Water – Library Assistant

Tanya Owens – Strong Start

Rena Nagel – Lunch/Bus Supervisor

Arlene Klatt – Lunch Supervisor

Tanya Owens – Lunch Supervisor

Catrina Snook – ESD Support

Rosalind Wilkinson – Aboriginal Support

Riley Sinon – Head Custodian

Sandra Martell – Speech & Language

Paula Twamley – Occupational Therapist

Carolyn Zanichelli - ELL

Katrina Oulette – Youth Family Counsellor

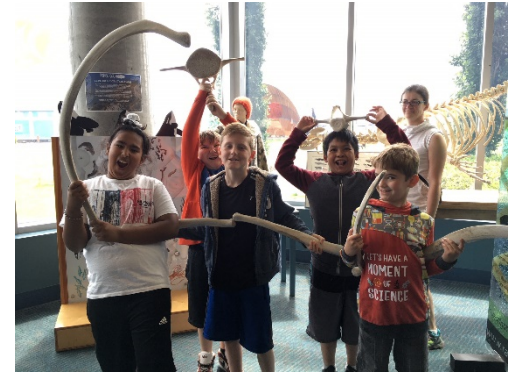
Alicia Glover – Early Childhood Educator

## Daniel Lapp Performance

Next Thursday afternoon, we are excited to be able to have a performance by Daniel Lapp and some students from the Music Conservatory. Daniel is the Artistic Director of the Victoria Conservatory of Music's new Chwyl Family School of Contemporary Music.

Daniel Lapp is a world-renowned singer, multi-instrumentalist, composer, teacher, archivist, band leader, sideman, producer, promoter and – no kidding – the list goes on. As a fiddler, jazz trumpeter and singer/songwriter, Daniel Lapp has played on over 100 albums and performed across Canada, United States, Ireland, England, Scotland, Wales, Finland and Germany with some of the world's most renowned Folk and Jazz musicians. Daniel is the winner of the B.C. Fiddle Championship and has appeared as a soloist with the CBC Chamber Orchestra as well as the Prince George, Victoria, and Vancouver Symphonies. A legendary force in Canada's fiddle scene, in addition to his outstanding performing, Daniel has been musical mentor to hundreds of students—many of whom have gone on to successful careers in the music industry. In 1994 Lapp formed the BC Fiddle Orchestra which showcased a dozen young fiddlers from around British Columbia and a full backup band. Their debut was in front of more than 60,000 people at the Commonwealth Games in Victoria.

Daniel was instrumental in getting Millstream involved in the inaugural Fiddle Program which we look forward to seeing being developed further next year. We look forward to an afternoon of great entertainment.



Learning about Salish Sea around us!  
Division 3 explores Shaw Centre.



Logan identifying the many anemones  
in the tank!



Admiring the Recycled Whale art. Created  
from plastic found on the beaches

### LOST AND FOUND!

WE HAVE A LOT OF LOST BUT LITTLE CLAIMED! ALL REMAINING CLOTHES WILL BE DONATED TO A CHARITY AT THE END OF JUNE. PLEASE COME AND CHECK for items!



## Parent Appreciation Morning Coffee and Snacks! Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>

In front of the school by the pick  
up/drop off area  
We hope you have time to stop by.  
Thank you for all your support over  
the year!

