

SAYWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Your monthly newsletter about our school!



This month at School

Welcome back everyone!

We hope your Summer was full of reasons to smile. This year we are bringing back the School newsletter! At the beginning of each month we will send one home full of upcoming events, special dates and more!



New Staff!

Come meet the new teaching staff!

We welcome you to come join us for an open house style gathering with snacks and refreshments.

Wednesday, Sept. 13th,
4:30-5:30pm



7 Tips to ease back into School

Routine

- 1~Dedicate a place for school necessities
- 2~Establish a sleep schedule
- 3~Create a morning routine
- 4~Make meals together a priority
- 5~Have kids make their own lunch
- 6~Get familiar with new surroundings
- 7~Make playdates or sign up for an extracurricular activity

Upcoming events

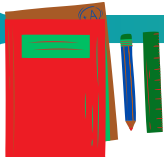
- 11TH- PICTURE DAY!
- 13TH- OPEN HOUSE
- 25TH- TOUR DE ROCK DINNER
- 26TH- TOUR DE POND
- 29TH- ORANGE SHIRT DAY



School Supplies

bulk school supply program-OPEN

e-transfers can be made to sayward@sd72.bc.ca
or cash or cheque can be dropped off to the office. \$40/student



Reminder

Please send in **non marking** runners for inside shoes

Principals Message

Hello Sayward Community! I am extremely excited to be the Principal at Sayward Elementary School. I am amazed by the beauty in this area and feel privileged to be welcomed here. A little bit about me - I began my career in schools as a counsellor and a teacher in a variety of grades and schools in the Comox Valley and in Campbell River. I took a Master's Degree in Special Education and moved into Administration four years ago. So far, I have spent 25 years in education. I believe in forming relationships and building students' abilities in literacy, numeracy and positive citizenship.

I will be co-teaching in the 2/3 classroom along with my teaching partner, Amanda Douglas. While she will be the main teacher and more often in the classroom, I will usually be teaching one day a week, and sometimes two days a week. I am looking forward to having my "boots on the ground" while also helping to create a positive school culture in my role as the principal.

I maintain an open-door policy and invite you contact me through email or in person. I am looking forward to getting to know the community!



Orange Shirt Day

acknowledges that residential schools are a part of our history. Wearing an orange shirt is a national movement to recognize the experience of those who went to residential schools, to honour them, and show a collective commitment to ensure that Every Child Matters. Sept 29th we will wear orange shirts to school and do an applicable activity, more info to come.

Allergies!

Our school is now a Kiwi free space. Please **DO NOT** send kiwi in lunches. This is an airborne allergy- ZERO kiwi can enter building.

Thank you for understanding



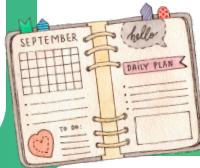
Tour De Rock

Community potluck is September 25th at 5pm in the school gym. Bring a dish and join us for a fun filled dinner, 50/50 raffle and silent auctions!

Students will bike around the pond with riders the morning of the 26th. Please send in bikes at your leisure the week before or day of.

Safety Corner

It's a great time to refresh your wildlife awareness talk with your kids! Bear sightings have been frequent in the village as they search for food to prepare for Winter.



PAC News

The first PAC meeting is Thursday, September 14th at 2:45pm in the library. Bring your ideas and hear what they have planned for the year!



After School Program

at the Kelsey Centre!

Starting Sept 11th!

Monday, Wednesday and Fridays

Please let us know if your child(ren) are to attend before the end of the school day



Download our parent portal app or check it out on your desktop for electronic notifications
parentportal.sd72.bc.ca



New Teachers!

Miss Douglas(2/3)~ Is skilled in all kinds of graphic animations! She can't wait to bring that to her classroom. She also LOVES to read.

Miss Aidan (K/1)~Our Favorite substitute teacher from last year is very excited to be teaching here full time. Her favorite hobby is rock climbing!

Mr. Manson(4-6)~ Lives right here in Sayward! He is looking forward to getting his class outdoors as much as possible and showing them how to live off the land.