



Sandowne Newsletter

November 2024

Dear families,

Thank you to everyone who attended Student Led Conferences. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to connect with families and for students to share all the exciting learning opportunities in their classrooms.

As a school, we began working with Qwaya Sam this fall. Qwaya Sam is an artist and knowledge keeper who is Nuu-chah-nulth. He is a member of Ahousat First Nation and is a speaker for the Chiefs of the Wolf Clan. Classes are participating in drumming and singing guided by Qwaya. Students also have the option and opportunity to participate in a drumming performance group led by Qwaya. We have also been taking advantage of the fabulous fall weather with field trips to the Hatchery, Pumpkin Patch and Fossil Dig on the Trent River. The outdoor experiential learning opportunities for students focus on deepening the connections with nature, support mental health and well-being and promote an inclusive and engaging learning environment.

This fall, we are fortunate to have many teachers who are volunteering their time to run extra-curricular activities. Presently we have volleyball for grade 5s and most recently the Cross-Country Run Club for grade 3 – 5 students. December will see the start of Basketball for the grade 4/5s.

We look forward to walking alongside the continued learning journey of our students and wish you a restful long weekend.

Warm regards,

Kelly Gage and Georgina Knox

November 1

Student-led
Conferences

November 8

Remembrance
Day Assembly

November 11

Remembrance
Day-School
Closed

November 12

Photo Retake Day

December 4

Snowflake Ball-
PAC Event

December 12

Winter Concert-
Performances at
9am and 1pm

Dec. 21-Jan. 5

Winter Break

Absences

We appreciate all the parents who are reporting absences in the morning. Thank you!
There are two ways to report an absence:

- 1) Phone **250-923-4248**
- 2) E-mail **Sandowne@sd72.bc.ca**



It is important to give the following information:

Students Name
Date of Absence
Reason for Absence



Bell Schedule

8:25am-Students gather
at designated spot

8:30-Class Begins

10:15-10:30-Recess

12-12:45-Lunch and
recess

2:15-Dismissal

Supervision Before and After School

With mornings becoming darker, for safety reasons, it is important to not have students dropped off before our supervision times.

Before School—8:10 until first bell

After School—2:15 until 2:30

Drop off Loop Reminder

Parents do not park in the student drop-off area, it creates a hazard for our students and



School Telephones

Our office phone is not to be used during or after school to make play arrangements. Please ensure your child is certain about after-school arrangements before leaving each day so that needless, worrisome situations do not arise. Thank you.

Sandowne Corkboard

Parking

Please ensure you are not blocking any residential driveways during drop-off and pick-up.



Sandowne Elementary
Sandowne PAC

Don't forget...

- ♦ Dress for the weather
- ♦ Send your child with a water bottle to keep hydrated.
- ♦ Have an extra change of clothes and pairs of socks in backpacks.

Sandowne PAC Purdy's Fundraiser

Purdy's chocolate fundraiser is now open. Please use the link below and use campaign number **78133** . Ordering deadline is Nov. 18th.

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/>

Grade 5 Volleyball Practice

Mondays and Thursdays in the gym during lunch recess.

School supply payments are now due. If you have not yet done so, please send \$45 per student to sandowne@sd72.bc.ca. Or send exact cash to the office.

This covers all supplies for the entire year.

*****Make sure to include student name with payment*****

Please remember to sign your child's permission form if they are going on a class field trip. Students cannot go on field trips without their permission form signed by a parent or guardian. Thank you.

November 2024

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					<i>1</i> Student-Led Conferences & Scholastic Book Fair	<i>2</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> Hot Lunch- i-Wok	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> Remem- brance Day Assembly Hot Lunch- Little Caesars	<i>9</i>
<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> Remem- brance Day- School Closed	<i>12</i> Photo Retake Day	<i>13</i> Hot Lunch- Boston Pizza	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> Hot Lunch- Little Caesars	<i>16</i>
<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i> Hot Lunch- Dairy Queen	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> Hot Lunch- Little Caesars	<i>23</i>
<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i> Hot Lunch- Katie's Rice Box	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i> Hot Lunch- Little Caesars	<i>30</i>

PHOTO RETAKE DAY REMINDER

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www.islandlifephotographics.ca



The RETAKE FORM helps us to identify your child. If you lost your form, simply write your child's name, teacher & grade on a piece of paper and bring it to the photographer on Retake Day. Thank you!



NEED SOME
EXTRA CLOTHING
FOR YOUR CHILD?

MINI FREESTORE

FREE GENTLY USED CLOTHING
ROBRON CENTER RM A119

Request a package to be put
together or arrange a time
to select items

Contact your child's school or Erin at
erin.stephens@sd72.bc.ca



Fall Schedule



Whether you are a first time volleyball player or an experienced athlete, join **Team Canada Alumni**, Coach Julie Young, at the Robron Centre gym and learn a new skill!

Smashball is a dynamic and innovative program designed for athletes in grades 3-5, which teaches the **FUNDamentals** of volleyball.

Play & Train is designed to get athletes ready for the upcoming club volleyball season. Led by elite coaches, our sessions will focus on building a strong technical foundation, enhancing volleyball IQ, and creating a supportive, yet competitive environment for maximum growth.



SMASHBALL Where: Robron Gym When: Thursdays Oct 24th-Nov 28th Ages: Grades 3-5 Co-ed Cost: \$150 Register at: https://crushvb.ca/smashball-registration/	PLAY & TRAIN Where: Robron Gym When: Thursdays 5:45-7:15 Oct 24th-Nov 28th Ages: Grades 6-7 Co-ed Cost: \$150 Register at: https://crushvb.ca/play-train-registration/	PLAY & TRAIN Where: Robron Gym When: Tuesdays 7:15-8:45 Oct 24th-Nov 28th Ages: Grades 8-10 Co-ed Cost: \$150 Register at: https://crushvb.ca/play-train-registration/
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(Registration must be completed on a computer)



Campbell River Family Services Society is pleased to present:

Changes

It is never easy to deal with changes in life, especially when
you are a kid!

This group focuses on teaching kids skills to:

- ✓ Coping with a loss, the separation or divorce of their parents, change of school, a move, or other significant life change
- ✓ Communicate their feelings around the changes happening in their lives
- ✓ Engage in activities that help them manage their big emotions

Ages: 8-10 years old

Dates: October 29th – November 26th

Times: 3:15pm-4:30pm

Where: Campbell River Family Services Society
487 – 10th Avenue, Campbell River

This program is [free](#), but you must pre-register by contacting:

Nici @ 778-346-9330 nici.forsyth@crfs.ca or

Meagan @ 778-346-9329 meagan.manzulenko@crfs.ca



NORTH ISLAND RENT BANK

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The North Island Rent Bank is a service that provides financial assistance to qualifying community members who are struggling to pay their rent and are at risk of losing their housing. **Individuals and families who are experiencing housing instability due to a temporary financial setback, can apply for an interest-free loan to pay rent, essential utilities, or a deposit to help secure new housing.** Rent banks can also help facilitate access to supports such as financial literacy, debt/credit counselling, landlord-tenant mediation, vocational supports, legal advocacy, and other services that contribute to financial and housing stability.

If you or someone you know is facing temporary housing instability please do not hesitate to reach out!

The North Island Rent Bank would not be possible without the help of the amazing local businesses and organizations supporting this program!

This is a loan program. Applicants will need to demonstrate they have the financial ability to pay regular monthly expenses and the monthly loan repayment. If eligible, applicants will be required to submit bank statements, proof of tenancy, and ID as part of the application process (incl. but not limited to). While loans are interest-free, a small administration fee will apply each month, this is not meant to be a barrier in accessing services.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact us at 1 (250) 703-1876 or by email at rentbank@cvaahs.com

Please keep in mind that rent bank services are available province-wide.
For residents outside of our service area - information can be found at www.bcrentbank.ca

What is a rent bank?

A rent bank is a service that provides financial assistance to individuals and families who are struggling to pay their rent and are at risk of losing their housing. Rent banks are a homelessness prevention and housing stability resource - they aim to help people who are otherwise financially stable when they experience a temporary setback. Rent banks typically support clients by providing interest-free loans, but they can also help facilitate access to supports such as financial literacy, debt/credit counselling, landlord-tenant mediation, vocational supports, legal advocacy, and other services that contribute to financial and housing stability. Our primary goal is to keep people in their homes, and give them a "hand up" wherever possible.

Who do rent banks help?

Low-to-moderate income renters who are temporarily unable to pay rent or essential utilities can apply for an interest-free loan to help stabilize their housing situation. For example, if a renter has to take time off work due to illness and can't afford to pay their rent that month, they may qualify for a rent bank loan. Another example could be if a renter has unexpected repairs on their vehicle, making them short on funds to pay their Hydro bill, they may qualify for a rent bank loan. Loans can also be granted to help renters secure new housing if they do not have the money for their security and/or pet deposit. Please note loan maximum is \$3000.00.

How does the process work?

If a renter is looking for support from the rent bank, the first step is to submit a pre-assessment. From there, they will be contacted by a case manager who will help guide them through the next steps. The case manager will ask for any necessary documentation, and after evaluating the whole picture, they will send the application anonymously to the approval committee. The committee will either approve or deny the application based on the information presented to them, and the case manager will inform the client of the result. Then, the case manager will work with the client in finalizing the loan, or try to help find an alternative solution. Please note that loan approval is not a guarantee, and the process takes approx. 3-5 business days.

What happens if I am approved for a loan?

When a client is approved for a rent bank loan, their case manager will work with them to set up a payment plan. The repayment term/amount is determined based on the borrower's ability to repay the loan, and the amount borrowed. Loans are interest free, however there is a small administration fee each month to cover some of the banking costs (approx. \$2.00/month) - this is in no way meant to be a barrier in accessing rent bank services.

Any and all payment is made directly to the landlord or utility company. No funds will be administered to the client at any time.

What determines eligibility?

To be eligible for a rent bank loan, clients must be residents of British Columbia, aged 19+, and in a legal tenancy situation where they do not owe more than 2 months of rent. Clients must also show an ability to repay the loan, and loans must be able to stabilize their housing situation for a minimum of 2 months. To determine eligibility clients will be asked for the following documentation (incl. but not limited to): proof of tenancy, 3 months bank statements, 3 paystubs or proof of income, most recent tax return, and 2 pieces of ID.

What area(s) does the North Island Rent Bank cover?

The North Island Rent Bank covers renters living in the Comox Valley Regional District, Strathcona Regional District, Mt. Waddington Regional District, and Qathet Regional District. For renters outside of these areas, please note rent bank services are available province wide. Visit bcrentbank.ca for more info.



QUESTIONS? CONTACT US.



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Sandowne's Illness Reference Guide

I need to stay home if...

I have a fever	I am vomiting	I have diarrhea	I have a rash	I have an eye infection	I have been in the hospital
					
Temperature of 100°F or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with itching or fever	Redness, itching and/or 'crusty' drainage from eye	Hospital stay, and/or ER visit



I am ready to come back to school when I am.....

Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication. ie. Tylenol, Motrin	Free from vomiting for at least 48 hours	Free from diarrhea for at least 48 hours	Free from rash, itching, or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Evaluated by my doctor.	Released by my medical provider to return to school.
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School District 72 Campbell River

2024-2025 CALENDAR

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




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	Instructional
	Non-Instructional
	Vacation Period
	Statutory Holiday
	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
	Administrative day
	Student led conference

Aug. 29	Pro-D Day
Sept. 2	Labour Day
Sept. 3	Schools Open
Sept. 30	Schools Closed - Truth & Reconciliation Day
Oct. 14	Schools Closed - Thanksgiving
Oct. 25	Pro-D Day
Nov. 1	Student-Led Conference Day
	Schools to Provide Details About Student Attendance.
Nov. 11	Schools Closed - Remembrance Day
Dec. 23 -	Winter Break
Jan. 3	
Jan. 17	Pro-D Day
Feb. 17	Schools Closed - Family Day
Feb. 18	Pro-D Day
Mar. 17 -	Spring Break
Mar. 28	
Mar. 31	Pro-D Day
Apr. 18	Schools Closed - Good Friday
Apr. 21	Schools Closed - Easter Monday
May 1	Student-Led Conference Day
	Schools Provide Details About Student Attendance.
May 19	Schools Closed - Victoria Day
June 27	Schools Closed - Administration Day

 Instructional  Non-Instructional  Vacation Period  Statutory Holiday



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