



# SAVONA ELEMENTARY



June 2019

## Our Mission Statement

**To respect and enable learners to grow intellectually, emotionally and socially by providing a safe, nurturing environment that encourages risk taking.**

### Principal's Message

As we head into June, with only a few weeks left in the school year, it seems like the perfect time to thank many of the people and groups who have made this an other successful year at Savona Elementary.

I'd like to start by thanking the staff, all who have worked tirelessly this year to create a positive, exciting and productive learning environment for our students. All staff, including support staff, have participated in professional development opportunities and have pushed themselves to try new things in your child's classroom. Staff are confident working with the new BC curriculum and are able to focus in on our school learning plan goals. We have worked as a team and have developed a solid plan moving forward to 2019/2020. Again, I'd like to thank Ms. Neufeld, Mrs. Broad, the teaching and support staff for the countless hours they have committed to our school, our students and our community. They continue to go above and beyond to help make Savona Elementary a great place to learn and grow.

Our school community also deserves a big thank you for helping to provide our students with so many opportunities. Our PAC continues to work hard to fundraise for numerous learning options for our students. Their hard work and commitment to our school community is outstanding. I would also like to thank Mrs Kirby and her volunteers, who continue to provide an amazing, healthy hot lunch on Fridays. I know that the staff and students really appreciate the hard work of our parent group. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Finally, I want to encourage our students to work hard throughout the month of June and to maintain a focus on learning despite all of the other great things that are going on. My hope is that all students will be able to look back on the year feeling proud of what they have accomplished.

Thanks and have a great June everyone!  
Mrs. Krista Halland

*"Sometimes the smallest things take up the most room in our hearts",*  
Winnie the Pooh

### Salmon Release

On Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup> our students will be boarding the bus to go to Skeetchestn, in order to release our Salmon. Students are asked to dress appropriately for the weather, keeping in mind we will be close to the water. Permission slips should have come home May 28<sup>th</sup>. We are sad to see our fish go, but grateful for the **opportunity to be involved with the preservation and enhancement of a species that is so very important to our life-style and economy here in British Columbia.**



### PAC

The PAC year end social will take place at Tobiano. Check for date & time on Savona PAC facebook page. This is a great opportunity for any new parents who would like to come out and meet or



join the PAC. Attendees are to pay for your own dinner.

### **Track and Field**

#### **Future Olympians Start Here**

Our intermediate students participated in the Zone 1 Track Meet on Friday May 3rd in Kamloops at TCC, and were awesome – both with effort and attitude. Riley Sharp was the lone student qualifying for our District Track Meet this year securing 1<sup>st</sup> place in his high jump event. Riley then went on to win the District High Jump Event in his category! All of our students participated in a positive fashion and had fun during the Track and Field season; we are so very proud of you and your efforts!

### **Water Bottles**

With the warm weather upon us we would like to remind parents to please make sure your student has a water bottle – labeled with their name - at school to refill. It is very important for them to keep hydrated throughout these warm weather days.

### **EUREKA! Science**

EUREKA! Science will be at our school the morning of Tuesday June 4th. EUREKA! Science provides science themed workshops for elementary school students. Each workshop is 90 minutes long and offers students hands-on science activities at their learning level. Ms. Taylor's class will participate in their workshop from 8:30 to 10:00, Mrs. Walker's classroom from 10:30 to 12:00 and Ms. McDaniel's from 1:00 to 2:30 pm.

### **Diabetes Walk**

On June 7<sup>th</sup> we will be doing a JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes here at Savona school in support of our community member Alexa Colville. Our community walk will begin at 1:45pm, if parents or community members would like to join us you are more than welcome! We are asking for “Dimes for Diabetes” if you are able to support Alexa and our commitment to JDRF, please send in your generous donation anytime until June 7th. Alexa will be

delivering our donation to the JDRF Walk to Cure in Kamloops on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

“Be part of a collective rally that brings together thousands of people whose lives are touched by type 1 diabetes every day, who are tired of the hardship of this disease, who want to be heard, raise money and change the face of type 1 forever.”

### **K-Gr. 7 Year End Field Trip**

All classes will be traveling to Desert Hills for a farm tour and see the animals then onto Ashcroft outdoor pool for a picnic and swimming on Wednesday June 26<sup>th</sup>. Students, please make sure you bring a water bottle, sunscreen, bathing suit, towel, and a big lunch! We will be needing parent help if you have a child under 7 years old. An adult does need to be in the pool with those students at all times.

### **ParticipAction**

SD73 Parents: We need your help! Students across the district are participating in the inaugural ParticipACTION Community Better Challenge. You and your families are invited to join us as we work towards a cash prize of \$150,000.00.

### **What is the Community Better Challenge?**

This Friday May 31, ParticipACTION's inaugural [Community Better Challenge](#) will kick off, giving Kamloops just over two weeks to prove it is the most active city in Canada. The Challenge invites communities across the country to compete for the “most active community” title with a chance to win the national prize of \$150,000 or regional prizes of \$20,000. The competition runs between [May 31](#) and [June 16](#).

### **How will SD73 students be participating?**

1. Students will be tracking their movement by classes on the ParticipACTION tracking sheets delivered to schools
2. Adults 17 and over can sign-up: download [ParticipACTION App](#)
3. Interactive Calendar of Challenges - [Every Person Matters: The Community Better Challenge](#)
4. [Community Better Slide Deck of Challenges](#)
5. [KidSport Bursaries Poster](#)

### **How can parents participate?**

It's really easy! As parents we want your family participation to count towards our team.

1. You can register as an **INDIVIDUAL** by downloading the **ParticipACTION App** AND/OR
2. Create a **FAMILY** account on the **ParticipACTION website** and track all of your minutes together.
3. Invite your family and friends to join in on the fun! "**Choose green time over screen time**".

Let's get moving and have some fun SD73!

### **Locker Clean Out**

Students will need to clean out their lockers on or before the last day of school. Now would be a good time for students to bring a bag to school and begin taking home items that are no longer needed at school.

### **Yearbooks**

Our yearbooks will be arriving sometime early in June!! Once they arrive we will be getting together as a school in the gym to celebrate, review and sign yearbooks. If your child has not yet purchased a yearbook, we will be offering a few of them for sale at the school. The cost is \$10.00 and payments should be made to Savona Elementary School.



### **Fun Day**

Our year end Fun Day is scheduled for Tuesday, June 25th. We are planning to enjoy some fun team and station events on the field during the morning, and then head over to the Community Park for lunch & Play time.



Parents are more than welcome to join us for the day, and our PAC will be providing students with lunch.

### **Year End Assembly**

We will be having an assembly on the last day of school, Thursday June 27<sup>th</sup>. It will start at approximately 10:45am and should be completed by around 12:15pm. We will be recognizing student achievement, appreciating our amazing

It's an Assembly Day



PAC, saying farewell to our grade seven students, and presenting an incredible slide show highlighting the past school year! Parents, grandparents, friends and volunteers, please mark your calendar and join us in the school gym for this event. Students will then head back to classes for farewells and report cards. **Dismissal time will be after assembly and bus pickup will be 12:30pm on this day. Supervision will be in place until 12:30pm.**

### **Grade 7 SKSS Orientation**

This year the grade 7 orientations at SKSS will take place on August 29th as a part of Link Day. Link Day is put on by SKSS students who volunteer to be apart of the Link Crew. Their job is to help grade eight students feel more comfortable in high school with some fun orientation activities throughout the year.

### **Library Books**

With the end of year fast approaching, we are asking all students to take some time and look in desks, lockers and at home to ensure all library books from both the school and public library are returned by Friday June 16<sup>th</sup>



### **Lost and Found**

Soon we will laying lost and found items out on the bench across from the office. Parents, please feel free to look through these items next time you are in our school and encourage your children to do the same. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity over the summer.



### **Savona Early Learning Center**

We are very excited to have the Savona Early Learning Center joining Savona Elementary September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Kirsten Pejril is the owner operator offering all day daycare, as well as before and after school care.

Programs offered:

Multi Age Classroom Ages 1-6 (8 spots max)  
6:30am – 5:30pm

Infant/ Toddler Ages 1-3 (4 spots max) 6:30am-5:30pm

Before & After School Age care (20 max) 6:30am-8:30 am & 2:30pm – 5:30pm

Please contact Kirsten by phone 250-819-6008 or email [savonaearlylearningcenter@outlook.com](mailto:savonaearlylearningcenter@outlook.com) for child care inquires. Hours of care may change as needed.

### **WCT - The Sound of Music**

Western Canada Theatre is thrilled to be presenting *The Sound of Music* as the holiday production in our 2019-2020 season. We will be holding auditions for local performers, **both children and adults**, on **Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**. If you, your child, or someone you know is interested in auditioning for this production, please refer to the attached document for more information on how to submit. Please note, the deadline to apply is **Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Interested artists should please email a photo and either a resume or a short description of previous theatrical, musical and/or dance experience to [auditions@wctlive.ca](mailto:auditions@wctlive.ca)

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dawn at her direct email address at [dawn@wctlive.ca](mailto:dawn@wctlive.ca).

### **Upcoming Events**

June 4	Eureka Science
June 5	Fish Release
June 7	JDRF Community Walk 1:45pm
June 10	Mother Goose Ends
June 13	Kindergarten Orientation
June 14	Summer Reading presentation
June 16	Father's Day
June 19-21	McQueen Lake Gr.4-7
June 24	Grade 7 Exit Room & Celebration Dinner @ Tang Court Buffet
June 25	Fun Day
June 26	K-7 Field Trip to Desert Hills & Ashcroft Pool
June 27	Year End Assembly at 10:45 am
June 27	Report Cards sent home
<b>June 27</b>	<b>Final Day for Students</b>
	<b>*Bus departs at 12:30 pm*</b>



Improve swimming skills  
Encourage and develop teamwork  
Develop good sportsmanship  
Have FUN while developing a LOVE  
for swimming!

How do you join our team?

Email us at

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