CHRISTOPHER LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Home of the LAKERS
September 2020

<u>Principal's Message</u>

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Let me first say how overjoyed I am that we are all back in the building with our students doing the things that we love! It had been six months since staff and students were in the building together, so needless say we at CLPS were all excitedly awaiting this month and this new school year. Of course, the coming school year has had to look a little different than it did last year due to the provincial and school division guidelines for the safe re-opening of our school, but we have done our best – and will continue to do our best – to make this is new school year experience fun, safe, and successful for all of our students within the guidelines given to us.

Usually in September volleyball and cross-country running begin for students in Grades 4 to 8. As of the writing of this newsletter, all P4A athletics have been put on hold. I, like most of you, hope to see P4A athletics resume at some point. Another part of our CLPS culture that we have taken pride in is our band program. We received word on Friday, September 4th (just before the first day of classes) that our local health authority had restricted all wind instruments in band programs for at least six to eight weeks. This, of course, threw a wrench into Mrs. Lohneis's preparations for the 2020-2021 Prairie Winds band program. I am happy to say, that in the interim, we have acquired a set of ukuleles that we will be using as a part of our band program until the restrictions on wind instruments are lifted. The fluid nature of guidelines and restrictions have become a common part of school operations in this pandemic period, and flexibility and problem-solving have become necessary components and practice for administration and teaching staff at CLPS.

I want to let you know that we will continue to communicate all crucial information and updates related to the school using the platforms that we have used this past year: mass email, our school Facebook page, and Remind – as well as our website and monthly newsletters. When it comes to our school's social media platforms, we use them exclusively to disseminate important information, announcements, and happenings at CLPS. If you happen to have any questions or concerns related to things that are happening at CLPS, please contact the school to discuss them by phone (306-982-2131) or by email (nbaliski@srsd119.ca) or dletkeman@srsd119.ca).

We are looking forward to the 2020-2021 school year! Despite all the uncertainty and change in the world and our society today, we will strive to bring the highest degree of stability we can to the daily lives of our students. I also want to thank the numerous parents and community members who have reached out to offer their support and affirmation of the school these past few weeks, as well as during the period of Suspension of Classes from March until June. It was much appreciated and it highlighted the strength of our school-community partnership in the education of our youth!

Sincerely,

Dejan Letkeman - Principal

TIMETABLE



Arrival	8:10 - 8:15	Lunch	11:30 - 12:15
Period 1	8:15 - 9:00	Period 5	12:15 - 1:00
Period 2	9:00 - 9:45	Period 6	1:00 - 1:45
Recess	9:45 - 10:00 (Gr. 4/5 to Gr. 8)8 10:00 - 10:15 (K to Gr. 3/4)	Recess	1:30 – 1:45 (Gr. 4/5 to Gr. 8) 1:45 – 2:00 (K to Gr. 3/4)
Period 3	10:00 - 10:45	Period 7	2:00 - 2:45
Period 4	10:45 - 11:30	Dismissal	2:40 - 2:45 (Gr. 4/5 to Gr. 8) 2:45 - 2:50 (K to Gr. 3/4)

STAFF 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

TEACHERS

Dejan Letkeman **Principal** Meagan Cook Kindergarten Shannon Schlamp Grade 1 Jessie Fleury Grade 2/3 Grade 3/4 Lynnae Wagner Rayanne Paterson Grade 4/5 Ashley Kerley Grade 6

Kristin Bates Grade 7 & Phys. Ed. Grade 7 & Phys. Ed. Joey Kaufhold

Grade 8 Leah Liedtke

Jody Harkness Educational Support Teacher & Grade 2 Math

Lauren Lohneis Band



John McDonald **Tammy Lester Tera Gratias**

ADDITIONAL STAFF

Angela Reinbrecht School Based Social Worker Nicole Baliski Secretary / Library Assistant Alan Lennox

Caretaker

CLPS Remind

We use Remind here at our school to communicate things that are happening within the school. Please sign up if you haven't already.



Cell Phones

At Christopher Lake Public School, we acknowledge that cell phones have the potential to be a great academic tool, as well as the potential to be a great distraction. We, therefore, seek to find a productive balance in the following cell phone protocol at our school. We expect that when students disembark from the buses at the beginning of the day, cell phones will be set to silent and stored. Cell phones should not be in use on the playground, hallways, or washrooms at CLPS. This will include having earbuds in and connected to the one's cell phone. We believe that recess times are an important part of social learning and interaction, and that using earbuds impedes this aspect of social development with one's peers.

Because cell phones can be a great classroom resource, students will be invited, at times, by their classroom teacher to use their cell phone in class. At the conclusion of the class, the classroom teacher will instruct students to again silence and store their cell phones. When it comes to ensuring that this important protocol is observed, the following steps will be taken when a student is found using their cell phone when they are not supposed to be:

- *First Time* The staff member will be given the cell phone, and it will be returned to the student at the end of the day.
- **Second Time** The staff member will be given the cell phone, and it will be kept in the Principal's office for the day. A call will be made to the student's parents. The phone will be returned to the student at the end of the day.
- **Third Time** The staff member will be given the cell phone, and it will be kept in the Principal's office for the day. A call will be made to the student's parents for **them to retrieve the cell phone at their convenience.**

NUT & FISH-FREE SCHOOL

Once again we are going to keep our school completely **NUT & FISH** free. This is to protect our students who have severe allergies. Please do not send any foods that contains even a trace amount of nuts or fish to school in your child's



lunch. If you would like more information please see the parent information page, safe schools tab, anaphylaxis information link. Thank you for your cooperation.

STUDENT FEES

All students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 must pay a \$20.00 student fee. This fee will be used to purchase materials that support student learning in the classroom and for class trips. Student fees can be paid to the classroom teacher or to the secretary in the library. Please make cheques payable to Christopher Lake Public School. (Please note: The school will accept fees in monthly installments.)

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Each child received a supply list before the beginning of the school year. If you have not had a chance to get all of the supplies on the list, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

SPIRIT DAYS

In order to encourage school spirit we will be having spirit days throughout the year. Please encourage your child to participate as much as possible. The spirit days will be indicated on the newsletter as they are planned.

CLASSROOM NEWS

<u>Kindergarten – Mrs. Cook</u>

Welcome to School Kindergartens,

I hope your first day at school was as fun for you as it was for me. We are going to build math, literacy, science and social skills through play this year and it will be a blast. Not to mention learning how to properly wash our hands and keep our areas clean. Do not forget to sign up for SEESAW as this is our main communication piece.

Grade 1 - Mrs. Schlamp

Hello Grade 1 Families!

Welcome to the 2020-21 school year. It is great to be back at school. Please know that we are working with your child(ren) to teach them the new procedures and ways to manage in our school building. If you have any questions or concerns please make sure to contact me by phone (306)982-2131 or email sschlamp@srsd119.ca. I will also get out Seesaw information so you can sign up for "Mrs. Schlamp's Grade 1 Class".

We anticipate that things will change in the coming months and will be in communication as this happens. Thank you for putting your trust in us – know that we are committed to ensure your child(ren)'s safety and well being.

Let's make it a great year,

Mrs. Shannon Schlamp Grade 1

Grade 2/3 - Miss Fleury

Hello CLPS! My name is Jessie Fleury and I am teaching Grade 2/3! This year is my first year at CLPS and I am so excited to get to know the students, staff, and families of the school. This year will be a new and different year for all of us, but I'm confident it will be a great year ©

Grade 3/4 - Mrs. Wagner

The grade 3/4 class had a great first week and has already shown their excitement for learning and how well they adapt to new things. This amazing group of students showed their care for others by following all the new protocols with ease. They have also started all their classes with enthusiasm and a desire to do well! The students have started Alphabet Books in ELA where they each choose the topic and will explain their topic using their ABC's. They will also look at writing good sentences and eventually paragraphs to create their Alphabet books. They also began looking at the place value of numbers in Math and it was great to see such a positive effort. The grade 3/4 students will begin looking at soil in Science and the Saskatchewan political process in Social Studies leading up to the election in October. It will be an exciting fall with a lot to learn and do!

Grade 4/5 - Miss Paterson

Belated greetings from the grade four five class My, oh my, didn't it seem long for the time to pass?

After six extra long months we are finally back at school It is time to get back to reading, writing, and all things cool

Some things look a little different now Let us take a moment to tell you how

We must always wear a mask when we are inside * We do this because the COVID germs will not hide

Hand sanitizer has become our one and only best friend Unfortunately our supplies we can no longer lend

Our hands should stay away from our face Please remember to give others their space

Our classrooms enjoy staggered recess To minimize contact more or less

Don't worry about us and have no fear We are still going to have a great year

Miss Paterson promises to keep us working hard We will be too busy to pull the "I am tired" card

From all of us here to you Stay safe and wash your hands too!

* Please note, we do not 'always' wear our masks inside, as we take them off for snack and lunch, but for the sake of the rhyme scheme and correct number of syllables, I took the liberty of using the word, 'always'. Thank you for your continued support, as we navigate our way through these unprecedented times.

Sincerely, Rayanne Paterson

Grade 6 - Mrs. Kerley

Hello everyone and welcome to a new school year! My name is Ashley Kerley and I am the new grade 6 teacher. My husband and I decided to turn our recreational property, at Emma Lake, into our permanent home 6 years ago and I am so excited to be teaching at Christopher Lake School. I enjoyed getting to meet all of the students the first week of school, and although this is a very different year, I'm excited for all of the learning that will take place this year.

Grade 7 - Mrs. Bates & Mr. Kaufhold



Welcome back Grade 7 Lakers! Mr. Kaufhold and Mrs. Bates are very excited for the upcoming school year. We were very pleased with how well all the students adapted to the new school procedures during the staggered start, and feel confident that we are going to have a safe and supportive year together!

Mrs. Bates will be teaching Math, Social Studies, Art, Career and Health in the mornings, and Grades K-4 Phys. Ed. in the afternoon. Mr. Kaufhold will teach Phys. Ed. Grades 4-8 in the mornings, and then switch to ELA, Science, PAA, and Health after lunch. Please refer to the school supply list (https://www.srsd119.ca/?s=supply+list) to ensure your child has all the necessary items to engage in a new year of learning.



In addition, we will be using <u>Seesaw</u> as our primary form of communication between school/home. Please make sure you sign the <u>**permission**</u> form that was sent home with your child last week, and connect Seesaw as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing you all soon!

Mr. Kaufhold & Mrs. Bates

Advice from EIGHTH GRADE

Hi! My name is Sidney and I am new to CLPS and I am in Grade 8. I would like to give you some advice, but first I would like to welcome you back! Also, don't forget to wear your mask because it will keep you safe. Anyways, I'm going to give you some advice from a "big" kid! My first bit of advice to you would be, to always listen to your teachers because they are here to teach you, so respect them. My second bit of advice would be, to always do your homework because if you don't you will get in trouble and fall behind. My last little bit of advice is to be positive and friendly because if you are, you will make lots of friends. That's my advice to you. I hope it was helpful and good luck in school. It has been a great day, so don't forget to smile. Don't forget to wear your mask, sanitize your hands and social distance because we're all in this pandemic together.

Welcome back to school! Whoa! School means September! The days flew by, didn't they?!?! Here are three tips from a seasoned ninth year person that has gone to CLPS for his whole educational experience.

- 1. Always be happy! That way you will make lots of friends.
- 2. Don't interrupt your teacher! Then you can spend more time with your friends, and not stay in for recess.
- 3. Always do your homework! Then you don't have to do everything last minute! This is how to be successful in school! Follow these three things and you'll be a solid friend and student!

~Jak

Here's some advice from Leo, an eighth grader.

- 1. Bring your own water bottle, sanitizer and Kleenex.
- 2. Don't interrupt the teacher.
- 3. Always do your best.

That is some advice from an eighth grader on how to do well in the 2020-2021 school year.

Welcome back! You haven't been in school for 6 months, and it is already Sept 11th. Here are a few pieces of advice that we should follow this year. Number one, when people are friendly to you, be friendly to them too. Number two, when teachers tell you to listen up, you stop what you're doing and focus on what the teacher is saying. Last one, number three, drink lots of water because if you don't drink much water you will get dehydrated and your brain and body won't function properly. That is all the advice that I have for you! Following them, this will bring you success.

~Madison

Ed. Support - Ms. Harkness

Hi there!

I hope everyone had a healthy summer break! I am so excited to be back to school and see all the smiling faces! In case you do not know me, my name is Ms. Harkness. This is my ninth year at Christopher Lake Public School. I am the Student Support Service teacher and this year I get the pleasure of teaching grade 2 math. I am super excited to be able to work with such a great bunch of students! I hope everyone has a great school year J Ms. Harkness

COMMUNITY NEWS

Curling

After school curling will start Monday Nov.16. Registrations are to be submitted by Oct 15 along with payment.

Advanced Jr.program will start Wednesday Nov.18 after school.

Family night curling will also start Tuesday Nov.17 and Thursday Nov 19 at 6:45pm if there is interest Four teams needed for each evening of family curl Fees for jr after school will be \$75 for the year. family night fees will be \$15/ game/adult. There will be no charge for jr curlers Please call Leisjea at 306-982-3689 to register. There are two payment options etransfer or check. Thank you Leisjea Horseman Jr curling coach

Art Classes

Follow your child's heart... if they love drawing, make it a part of their life and help them develop their skills at Christina's Art School!!! We have taught many students (adults included!) this lifelong soul nurturing skill of creating artwork. We teach pencil drawing, charcoal, pastels, colored pencils, acrylic painting & watercolor. Whether they develop their love of drawing and art into a hobby, or it's their launch into a secondary school and career, the skills they acquire will be with them for life! We are now taking registrations for year-long classes which start in September. Phone Christina Thoen, Certified Teacher (Art Major) for more information and to register: 961-3350 or register online: www.christinathoen.com Also see the students talent in the yearend Art Show on Facebook at "Christina's Art School."

School Board Election

Monday, November 9, 2020 SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 119

The school division is divided into ONE (1) CITY SUBDIVISION in which FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS are to be elected and FIVE (5) RURAL SUBDIVISIONS in which ONE (1) BOARD MEMBER from each subdivision is to be elected.

Qualifications of Candidates....

A person is eligible to be nominated as a candidate for and hold office as a **BOARD MEMBER** for a school division if the person:

- (a) is an voter of the school division on the day of the election;
- (b) is a Canadian citizen at the time he or she submits his or her nomination paper; and
- (c) has resided:
 - in the school division for at least three consecutive months immediately preceding the date on which he or she submitted the nomination paper; and
 - in Saskatchewan for at least six consecutive months immediately preceding the date on which he or she submitted the nomination paper.

A candidate may choose to run in the IN-CITY SUBDIVISION AREA or ONE of the FIVE OUT-OF-CITY AREAS of the school division, regardless of his or her residency in the division; however, he or she must obtain signatures of voters of only that subdivision area in which he or she intends to run.

Nomination Forms....

A person may be nominated as a candidate for election by filing a nomination paper in the prescribed form, signed by ten voters residing in the subdivision in which he or she intends to run.

Filing Nomination Papers....

Nominations will be received by election officials during regular office hours from September 21 until October 6 and on Nomination Day, Wednesday, the 7th day of October, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the following locations:

- Rural Subdivisions at the Education Centre, Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division No. 119, 545 11th Street East, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan S6V 1B1 (regular office hours are 8:00 a.m. until noon and 1:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m.)
- In-City Subdivisions at the City of Prince Albert, 1084 Central Avenue, Prince Albert S6V 7P3 (regular office hours are 8:00 a.m. 4:45 p.m.)

Nomination papers may be submitted personally or by agent by personal service, by registered mail, by ordinary mail, by fax, by email or as otherwise specified by the returning officer and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$100 or by a certified cheque or money order in that amount made payable to the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division.

For more information visit us at www.srsd119.ca

Be a Candidate!