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**BAYSIDE**  
MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## CALENDAR

### June

- 2.....Pizza Day
- 19.....Father's Day
- 21.....PAC Meeting; 6:30 pm
- 27.....Grade 8 Awards Ceremony
- 27.....Grade 8 Farewell
- 29.....Report Cards Distributed
- 29.....Last Day for Students; Dismissal at 10:00 am
- 30.....Admin Day – Staff Only

### July

- 15...School Supply Orders Due



**Have a fabulous  
summer vacation!  
We'll see you in  
September!**

#### SAFE ARRIVAL

bsms\_attendancealert@sd63.bc.ca  
or call 250-652-8653

Please email or phone if your child  
will be absent or late.

## May 31, 2016

## NEWSLETTER

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

With all the nice weather we've had, teachers and administrators have been reminding students to keep their focus and efforts strong until the year is finished so they can end on a high note. This is great advice for staff as well since there is much to do to ensure that students are truly ready to move on. Families can help with this by making sure that their children are getting the rest they need even with the long days and the many activities at this time of year.

I am so pleased to see that even though the year is winding down we have a great deal of amazing work still taking place both in and out of classrooms. Thank you to everyone who took part in our successful Open House celebration. I am extremely appreciative of our community involvement and proud of the cultural diversity we have here at Bayside, both of which shone at this wonderful event.

Although it seems early to be writing a "year-end" note, this will be the final newsletter of the year, so let me take the opportunity to wish everyone well in the months to come. For those of you transitioning to Secondary School or to other middle schools either locally or abroad, I wish you a safe and successful transition to your new Learning Community. For those who will remain a part of the Bayside Community in September, I look forward to seeing you.

Best Wishes, Wendy MacDonald

### GRADE 8 FAREWELL

On the evening of Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup> the Grade 8 students will have an opportunity to celebrate their time at Bayside and say farewell. In order to attend the Grade 8 Farewell, students need to purchase a \$15.00 ticket. Tickets will be on sale beginning June 13<sup>th</sup>. More information will follow.

This year's Farewell has a "Hollywood" theme and we encourage students attending the event to dress up a bit but there should be – **NO FORMAL CLOTHING**. If you have financial concerns, please send a note to the school administration. Thanks again to all the parents who have volunteered!  
Please note...

1. In order to attend this event, students must have returned to all school library books and textbooks.
2. A reminder to Grade 8 parents & students that this is NOT a "graduation" and things like limousines, etc. are not appropriate.

### GRADE 8 AWARDS CEREMONY

This year, the Grade 8 Awards Ceremony will be held Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. We hope you'll be able to attend, if your son or daughter is receiving an award.

### TEXTBOOK RETURNS

We will soon begin collecting textbooks from students. Please note that parents will be invoiced for lost or missing textbooks. *Grade 8 students will not be able to attend the Grade 8 Farewell activities on June 27<sup>nd</sup> unless all their textbooks have been returned.*

## FINAL DAY PLANS

Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> is the last day for students at Bayside Middle School. The most important function of the day is to distribute final report cards. Report cards and class activities will be finished by 10:00 am. The rest of the day the students will be involved in classroom and school preparation/cleanup work. In the past we have had a great number of students bring notes to be dismissed early on this day. **If you want your child dismissed at 10:00 am on June 29<sup>th</sup> complete and return the attached form to your child's teacher by the last day of school.** Please note that school buses will run at their regularly scheduled times and that written permission is necessary in order to dismiss your student early – **phone calls will NOT be accepted.**

## SAYING GOODBYE TO BAYSIDE...

As the school year comes to a close, we need to say goodbye to some fine Bayside staff:

- ✓ Anu Patel
- ✓ Sue Bradley
- ✓ Debbie Pires
- ✓ Jen Peters



## STUDENT CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Please remind your child that all electronic devices need to be kept in their locker during the school day – students are not permitted to have their phones in class. We're also asking that parents not text or phone their child during the school day. If you have a message for your child, phone the school office and the office staff will get the message to your child. Thank you for helping your child follow the District Code of Conduct guidelines.

## A DAY AT THE BEACH...??

Bayside School is a "place of business." We use that phrase to guide us when it comes to what students wear to school. With that in mind, we ask that there be:

- ✓ No tiny shorts or skirts;
- ✓ No underwear (bra straps, briefs or boxers) showing;
- ✓ No plunging necklines with associated cleavage;
- ✓ No bare midriffs (tops meet bottoms)
- ✓ No slogans with references to drugs, alcohol, sex, violence or racial slurs.

Spring also brings more overt displays of affection. Again, we ask our students to use restraint and confine their behaviour to the boundaries that would be acceptable in most work places. Thanks for your support on these issues.

## SCHOOL BUS REGISTRATION

A School Bus Registration Form for the 2016/17 school year will soon be uploaded to the "Transportation" link, under "Programs & Services", on the Bayside website. If your child will be riding the school bus next year, please complete and return the registration form, along with payment, asap. Bus fees for 2016/17 must be paid upon registration.



## SCHOOL CALENDAR

With this newsletter is a schedule of important dates for the 2016/2017 school year.

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER

Be sure to check the school website during the summer for information regarding the first day of school. PAC will provide coffee & tea for parents.

## BAND EQUIPMENT

Any student instruments/books/band accessories left in the band room after June 29<sup>th</sup> are not the responsibility of Bayside Middle School. Please ensure your son/daughter has taken these materials home prior to the end of this school year. Finally, if your son or daughter has any unused reeds, band books, music, or cleaning supplies going unused, the Bayside Band Department would gratefully accept these as donations for next year.

## TAKE MEDICATIONS HOME

If your child has medications at school, please remember to take them home for the summer. If your child requires ongoing medication administration for emergency use for the following school year, please have the "Medication Administration" form completed over the summer and returned to the school in early September.

## 2016-2017 SCHOOL SUPPLY ORDER FORMS

School Supply Order Forms will be accessible on the Bayside website in the "Forms" link, under "Quick Links". We encourage you to use the online ordering system. If ordering online, be sure to keep your CAPS LOCK ON as the website is case sensitive. Paper copies will be available at the office or at Monks, for those who do not have online access. Please note that orders need to be placed by July 15<sup>th</sup>. **Supplies will be available for pick up the first week of September.** Please note that Jump Math Textbook fees will be added to the September start-up fee package.

## CAFÉ

The last day for Café services will be Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>.

## FROM THE LIBRARY...



Round 'em up and get 'em back, please! All library materials are due back by **Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**. We appreciate everyone making an effort to check lockers and around your home for books and materials that need to be returned to the school. Lists of overdue books will be posted in the main foyer. The first classes in each grade to clear off their list will enjoy a treat.

## VISUAL ARTS PROGRAM

Students who had Art this year should go to the Art room to pick up their work that has been on display or left behind. The art work will be organized by projects and will be available during the last 2 weeks of school (June 20-29<sup>th</sup>) – whatever is left behind must be tossed out. We want to thank all the parents who volunteered their time to help with fund raising and hanging art displays throughout the school year. We appreciate your help and enthusiasm!

## CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH

The CPF newsletters are on the school website, under the Parents pull-down menu.



## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) NEWS

Please come out to the last PAC meeting of this school year on Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm in the school library, and help make some plans to get September 2016 off to a great start at Bayside. We look forward to seeing you!!

## FROM THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

### Be Sun Smart



Too much sun exposure, and especially sunburns in young children, can cause eye damage and increase the risk of skin cancer in later years. Sun damage is cumulative, which means that the damage builds up with each exposure. Those at highest risk of skin cancer are those with fair skin and blond or red hair; skin that burns and freckles easily and doesn't tan easily; lots of moles or large and unusual moles; history of severe sunburns. The good news is that skin cancer is almost totally preventable. From late spring to early fall, avoid unprotected sun exposure between 11:00 am. and 4:00 pm. If your children are outdoors between these times, teach them to: **SEEK** out the shade; **SLIP** on clothing that covers arms and legs; **SLAP** on a wide brimmed hat and sunglasses; **SLOP** on sunscreen with SPF #30 or higher; and **SLURP** lots of water.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Pacifica Paddle Sports:** [www.pacificapaddle.com](http://www.pacificapaddle.com)

### Kids Marine Adventure Camps

#### Youth Marine Day Camp July 11-15

Meet the sea life in our local waters, find out who eats whom, investigate oceanic habitats, paddle calm waters on a paddle board and in a canoe and kayak. Hike forest trails, learn water and wilderness safety skills. Ages 10-12 years.

**Time:** 8:45 am - 4:30 pm Monday - Wednesday and 9 am Thursday - 4:30 pm Friday

**Where:** Pacifica Brentwood Bay location 789 Saunders Lane, Brentwood. Two docks right of the Mill Bay ferry

**Cost:** \$225 + taxes

### Family Guided Kayak Tour

Saturday, June 18th

1 - 3 pm

Cost: \$65 for 2, \$75 for 3, \$95 for 4

### Summer Respite and Learning Assistance

#### Outdoor Seastar Program

Friday sessions starting immediately

Full time starting in September

Open House on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3 - 6 pm

### Boulder's Climbing Gym at Stelly's:

Inspire your kids to push their limits to new heights. Your kids will build confidence by scaling walls, exploring parks, and navigating obstacles course. During each week we teach through fun, interactive, and challenging climbing activities with our locally developed staff.

### 1/2 Day Program

Age: 6-9 years

Time: 9 AM - 12 PM

Price: \$150 p/week

### Full Day Program

Age: 9 - 12 years

Time: 9 AM - 4 PM

Price: \$250 p/week

More information please visit:

<http://climbtheboulders.com/2016-summer-camps/>

### 'Open Air' Library:

The 'Open-Air' Library, sponsored by Saanich Peninsula Literacy opens for a second summer starting July 5<sup>th</sup> at Sidney's Beacon Park. Come and experience the joy of reading in this beautiful outdoor setting. Free books are provided each week for all ages to enjoy. Take one home to read and return it or keep it...no strings attached and no library card needed. Join the fun each Tuesday from 10am until noon from July 5<sup>th</sup> to August 23rd.

### Panorama Summer Camps

Summer Camp Flyer is available on the Bayside website under Community News.



June 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> is the final day for students at Bayside Middle School. The most important function of the day is to distribute report cards. If you wish to have your child's report card mailed to you, please be sure to provide your child's teacher with a self-addressed, stamped (\$1.34) envelope [9" X 12"], otherwise report cards will remain in the office for you to pick up in early July or late August.

Report cards and class activities will be finished by 10:00 am. The rest of the day, the students will be involved in classroom and school preparation/clean-up work. In the past, we have had a great number of students bring notes to be dismissed early on this day. **If you wish your child to be dismissed at approximately 10:00 am on June 29<sup>th</sup>, please complete and return the Early Dismissal form to your child's homeroom teacher.** Please note: students who have permission to leave at 10:00 **MUST** leave the school grounds at that time.

**NOTE: Buses will NOT be available at 10:00—school buses will run at their regularly scheduled times** in the afternoon. Written permission is necessary in order to dismiss your young person early – phone calls or faxes **WILL NOT** be accepted as we don't know who has called or sent the fax and the safety of your child is paramount.

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Return this portion to your child's homeroom teacher.

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ of Division \_\_\_\_\_ to be dismissed at 10:00 am on Wednesday, June 29, 2016.



Options for 10:00 dismissal are as follows...

- My child will:
- walk home.
  - be picked up.
  - go to the home of \_\_\_\_\_.

Print Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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## SCHOOL CALENDAR for 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Semester 1:

Days in Session: 91  
Days of Instruction :89  
Sec. Classes: 83

Semester 2:

Days in Session: 95  
Days of Instruction: 90  
Sec. Classes: 84

Schools open: Sept. 6

Winter Vacation: December 19 - January 2

Spring Break: March 20 - 24

Closure Week: March 27 - 31

Schools Close: June 29

Administration Day: June 30

Non-Instructional Days

Oct. 21: Provincial

Nov. 14: School Based

Jan. 30: Curriculum Implementation

Feb. 24: Tri-district

March 6: School Based

April 28: School Based

May 8: Ministry Priorities