

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**May 24, 2021**  
Victoria Day

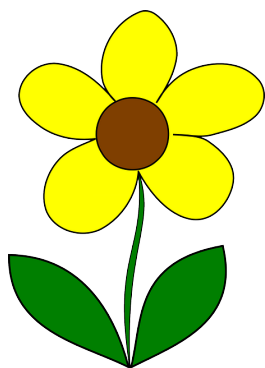
**June 4, 2021**  
PRO-D – No School

**June 11, 2021**  
Primary Report Writing

**June 18, 2021**  
Intermediate Report Writing

**June 4, 2021**  
NID Day – No School

**June 25, 2021**  
Last day for Students.



**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Hello Parents

The staff and students are enjoying many outdoor learning activities in the Spring weather. We are in our last part of the school year which is also an important learning time for your children. We appreciate your children coming to school consistently.

The Shakespearian Festival is moving ahead with performances on Zoom around the date of June 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be more information coming to parents soon on the dates and times of the plays. Our Montessori students are thrilled to be able to take part in this traditional event at Polaris.

We are excited that we were able to secure Class photos for our students. Covid Protocols and procedures are being followed for this to occur safely.

Our Leadership students have planned a COS-play Spirit Day for May 28. We are excited to see the characters that arrive at our school.

Montessori Philosophy tries to ensure an uninterrupted work time each morning for students. This allows students to become completely engaged with their learning. Polaris Montessori School will continue with the practice of not having recess breaks. The students will receive physical exercise during lunch recesses, gym periods and outdoor learning experiences.

There is no date to when the Playground games will be painted but we are hoping this will happen soon.

I want to say a big thank you to PAC for the successful Plant fundraiser. We are always looking for committed enthusiastic parents to participate with their student's learning through PAC and with other worthwhile activities.

Thank you, Parents of Polaris Montessori School.

Ms. Tisdale

**UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER**

May 24, 2021: Victoria Day

June 4, 2021: PRO-D - No School

June 11, 2021: Primary Report Writing Day – No School Div 1 – 5

June 18, 2021: Intermediate Report Writing Day – No School Div 6 - 8

June 25, 2021: Last day for students!!

September 7, 2021 – First day of school for 2021-2022 school year

## At Polaris Montessori

*We will empower students,  
families, and staff.  
Follow the core principles of  
a Montessori philosophy.  
Harmonize the best of what  
the Montessori and B.C.  
Public Schools' curriculum  
have to offer.  
Create a school culture  
where everyone feels,  
connected, cared for,  
respected, safe and happy.  
Ensure that students and  
staff will be successful  
within the broader  
educational community,  
to help students and staff to  
be self-directed, self-  
monitoring, risk takers.*



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## **CROSSWALK SAFETY**

Please remember to park away from the crosswalk. It is a concern to staff, parents and neighbours that the crosswalk is being blocked and drivers cannot see if it is safe to continue to drive and students can't see if it is safe to cross. Also, please remember not to park in front of the fire hydrant. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **NEXT YEAR??**

If you are planning on moving before September 2021, please let the school office know as soon as possible. The planning for next year has begun and we need to know if your child(ren) will not be attending Polaris Montessori. Thanks to those parents who have already contacted us. It is a big help!

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

The 2020/2021 school year is coming to a close! That also means that the library will be closing down in the first week of June for reorganization and inventory. The last day for student book sign out is June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021. All books should be returned to the Library the by following week, June 10<sup>th</sup> 2021.

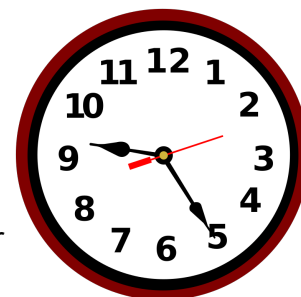
Outstanding books will be considered LOST and will result in a bill. Thank you for your understanding.

Andrea Koehn (Teacher Librarian)



## **STUDENTS COMING EARLY/STAYING LATE AT SCHOOL**

We still have a number of students that are being dropped off early or being picked up late. Please be aware that supervision of students is only provided from 8:22am to 8:37am in the morning and from 2:22pm to 2:37pm. For safety reasons it is important not to have students at school during unsupervised times. Please ensure no student is dropped off earlier than 8:22 or picked up any later than 2:37pm.



## **BIKES AND SCOOTERS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

We would like to remind students that helmets are needed to ride their bikes and scooters and bike/scooter safety rules need to be followed. If you are riding to school or bringing your scooter to school, please remember that when coming onto the school grounds, to get off your bike/scooter and walk it onto the grounds.