



*"It's all about
the journey"*

Rm E201- 6135 McGIRR ROAD, NANAIMO, B.C. V9V 1M1

Newsletter

Telephone: (250) 751-0197 / Fax: (250) 751-751-0967

Website: www.ise.sd68.bc.ca

District Principal: Mrs. Ronda Bell

District Coordinator: Mr. Paul Van Ryssel

Secretaries: Ms. Donna Buhnai and Ms. Kathy Qualizza

Homestay Coordinators:

Ms. Iva Armstrong:
Dover Bay, Wellington

Ms. Brenda Cormack:
NDSS, John Barsby
and Ladysmith

September 2016

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS:

Welcome to the 2016-17 school year. Thank you very much to all the families who joined us at our homestay parent orientation meetings this week. I hope you came away with some useful information to help you this year. Please do not hesitate to contact our office or your homestay coordinator if you require any assistance. We are here to help wherever we can.

I just wanted to send you some of the information that we spoke about at the meeting. In this newsletter you will find links to our website, facebook page and how to download our app. I have also included some dates for our upcoming ISE field trips.

If you would like to provide any feedback with regards to the homestay orientation, please contact me at rbell@sd68.bc.ca



Ronda Bell

IMPORTANT DATES

September 15: Transfer Beach Welcome Celebration

9:30 am to 1:45 pm

Cost only if students wish to go kayaking or paddle boarding. Lunch of a hot dog and a drink will be provided. More information will be given to their advisor.

September 27 and 28: Curling

We will be dividing up the schools and these are still to be determined. Cost will be \$10 and lunch and transportation will be provided.

October 13: Vancouver City Day Tour

November 10: Exploring Victoria and Gold Stream Park

November 24: Ladysmith Light Up.

Students and host families are welcome to attend a Spaghetti Dinner at Ladysmith Secondary School before watching the parade and light up. No cost for this event: our treat.

December 8 to 11: Whistler Ski Trip

January 15: Vancouver Canucks Hockey Game vs New Jersey Devils

Further information to be sent out before each event to their school advisor and we will post on facebook.

FACEBOOK

Here is the link to our facebook account:

<https://www.facebook.com/International-Student-Education-291917047503685/>

We would love to share some cultural recipes or some homestay activity pictures so if you would like us to post them, please send them to Kathy Qualizza at kqualizza@sd68.bc.ca

NEW APPS

To download the following apps:

Nanaimo Ladysmith (SD68):

<https://itunes.apple.com/ca/app/nanaimo-ladysmith-public-schools/id1020688988?mt=8>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.kbf.app16117272>

International Student Education: Nanaimo Arrival App
Name: Nanaimo Arrival

Google Play link for Arrival App: Android

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.carstonhoy.nanaimo>

iTunes link for Arrival App: iPhone

<https://itunes.apple.com/WebObjects/MZStore.woa/wa/viewSoftware?id=1089891034&mt=8>

WEBSITE

www.ISE.sd68.bc.ca

SUMMER STORAGE CLAIMS

All summer storage claims must be in by September 30th and these will be on your October homestay payment.

You can return this form via scanned email to Donna Buhnai at dbuhnai@sd68.bc.ca or you can fax it to our office at 250-751-0967.

SCHOOL ADVISORS

Dover Bay- Nancy Stigings

ndunlop@sd68.bc.ca

John Barsby- Craig Letourneau

cletourneau@sd68.bc.ca

Ladysmith- Sandra Milne

smilne@sd68.bc.ca

NDSS- Cindy (Hoover) Armstrong

cindy.armstrong@sd68.bc.ca

Wellington- Nicole McRae

nmcrae@sd68.bc.ca

HOMESTAY COORDINATOR VISITS

Our homestay coordinators visit the schools each week at lunch time.

Brenda Cormack bcormack@sd68.bc.ca

Iva Armstrong iva.armstrong@sd68.bc.ca

Brenda will visit:

NDSS- Tuesday

Ladysmith- Wednesday

John Barsby- Thursday

Iva will visit:

Wellington- Tuesday

Dover Bay- Thursday

