

June 23, 2020

Dear Tweedsmuir Families,

I am always amazed at how quickly June arrives. I want to take this time to thank you for all of your support, not just during our remote and blended learning, but throughout the entire year. This will definitely be a year to remember!

A few items as the school year comes to an end:

1. The last day of school, Thursday, June 25, 2020, will follow our current schedule. Students already attending school will be here from either 9 - 11:30 or 12:30 - 3pm.
2. If you have not picked up your child's school supplies and items, please email [lordtweedsmuir@sd40.bc.ca](mailto:lordtweedsmuir@sd40.bc.ca) to arrange a time to come in and do so.
3. Please remember to return all library books to the school.
4. Attached you will find the calendar for the 2020 - 2021 school year. Please note that some items are tentative and we will confirm closer to the date.
5. We will be emailing school supply lists home this week. Please note that parents are welcome to order through the school or purchase their own supplies. Please know that we are committed to ensuring that no school age student will be denied educational opportunities due to financial hardship. Parents and guardians unable to pay some or all of a school fee are invited to speak to their child's teacher, school counsellor and/or myself in September.
6. As part of the third term report card, your child will have completed a student self-assessment of core competencies. You may have received this in advance of the final report card as posted in Google Classroom, Freshgrade, paper copy sent home, etc... Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions regarding this assessment.
7. Report Cards will be available in the MyEd family portal on Thursday, June 25th at 3pm. Please contact the school office as soon as possible if you are unable to access your child's final report card.
8. You will notice that we are continuing to work on our school garden. If you happen to visit our garden over the summer months, please feel free to sample some of the produce.
9. Please remember to return all technology loans to the school district by June 26th as per the email instructions.
10. If you are moving to a new school for September 2020, could you please contact our office as soon as possible? Thank you.

We have a number of students leaving to head to new schools in September. We have an outstanding group of grade 5 students this year. We will miss them very much! We thank them for all of their contributions over the years here at Lord Tweedsmuir and wish them all the best.

We also wish those staff members who will be leaving us this year all the best as they move into new positions at other schools. Each one of them has made an impact on our learning community in a variety of different ways and we will miss them. We will be saying goodbye to Mrs. Tucso, Ms. Fong, Ms. Loukidis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Hans Al-Ashkar, Ms. Sahota, Ms. Zavaleta, and Mme Sophie and thank them for all of their contributions to our school.

We will also be saying goodbye to Debbie Ramen, our current Vice Principal, who will be moving on to Queen Elizabeth Elementary School for the upcoming school year. I would personally like to thank Debbie for all of her support and her passion for learning during her time here at Lord Tweedsmuir. We will miss her, but we are also excited for her as she begins this new adventure.

A short note from Debbie...

*Dear Tweedsmuir Families,*

*Although I am excited to be moving on to a new school and looking forward to new opportunities at Queen Elizabeth Elementary, I wanted to let you know just how much I enjoyed being the Vice Principal here and how much I am going to miss this community. I have spent four wonderful years at Tweedsmuir teaching, learning and connecting with our students, families and staff. Tweedsmuir will always remain a very special place for me. I wish you all well and hope our paths cross again. Have a wonderful summer and stay safe!*

*Sincerely,*

*Debbie*

We will be welcoming Isabella Lam to our school as our new Vice Principal. She is looking forward to meeting all of you in September and we look forward to having her join our learning team!

We were unable to host our annual parent thank you this year. However, we do want to thank all of our parents for all that they do to support our school. This includes our Parent Advisory Council who put in incredible effort and countless hours to provide wonderful opportunities for our students and who make significant contributions to our learning community. Our PAC has supported a variety of initiatives including field trips, fun lunches, school community events e.g. Entrepreneurial fair and movie nights, fundraising efforts, playground improvements and so much more! If you have the opportunity to participate next year, we would encourage you to become involved with this committee.

Wishing all of you a wonderful summer full of laughter, sunshine and good times with family and friends!

A sincere and heartfelt thank you for this year,

Jen

