



COUGAR NEWS



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Clavet School

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

With the approach of the May long weekend and the official start to summer in Saskatchewan, we are looking towards the end of the school year. This is associated with a number of traditional activities that students, staff, and parents always look forward to. The high school students are looking forward to track and field competitions; grade 12 students are looking forward to grad; and the elementary students are looking forward to the standards meet and year end field trips. It promises to be a busy end to the school year.

Initial preparation is occurring for **student placement** in next year's classes. The process to assign students to classrooms is undertaken with a great deal of thought and student programming needs are at the center of the decisions we make around class placements. Our goal is for every student to have the best opportunity to experience success. We take pride in maintaining a homeroom philosophy from kindergarten to grade 12 because we believe it is essential in maintaining home contact and addressing the needs of the whole child. In making the decision for student placements, we take into account

1. Resource Room needs to support student programming;
2. Teacher recommendations based on experience with the groups of students; and
3. Student sociograms to honour student voice.

If you feel that you would like to contribute to the process, please submit your information in writing to your child's homeroom teacher **before June 1st**. Such information could include peer combinations to encourage or avoid; and any health or family concerns that may have an impact on a child's potential to learn. *We request that you remember and respect that this is **not** an opportunity to choose a teacher for your child; rather it is an opportunity to provide information to be considered in the placement of your child.*

Enjoy the remainder of the spring.



Kindergarten Registration for the 2019-2020 School Year

Registration is now taking place for any child who will be turning five (5) by December 31, 2019. Please call the Clavet School at **306-933-1022** to enroll your child for the 2019-2020 school year.

Kindergarten parent only information night June 20, 2018 at 7:00pm. SLP, OT and Special Education Teacher in attendance. Questions please call or e-mail Tracy Fitzsimmons at 306-933-1022 or tracy.fitzsimmons@spiritsd.ca.



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Elementary Spring Festival

The Grade 8 students would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to all parents who volunteered for the Spring Festival on May 2 by being group leaders. We appreciate your time and dedication to the elementary students of Clavet School. We would also like to thank all of the Elementary Teachers for being group leaders and helping as need throughout the day. The day would not have been possible without you!



THE ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY TRIP

The Art and Photography Trip to New York was an amazing experience. We were gone for 6 days (7 including flight delays and cancellations coming home). We saw all the major sights in New York, including The Empire State Building, The Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, Rockefeller Center, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, Radio City Music Hall, Time Square, NBC Studios, Central Park, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The MOMA, The 9/11 Memorial and Museum, and we went to 3 amazing musical productions on Broadway. So many great memories and new experiences, like riding the subway system every day!

- Crystal Dyck
- Teacher and travel group leader



Clavet Composite School

June 2019 Exam Schedule

Please note:

- Students must remain in the exam for a minimum of one hour.

	Thursday, June 20	Friday, June 21	Monday, June 24	Tuesday, June 25	Wednesday, June 26
Morning Exams 9:00 – 11:30	CHEMISTRY 30 ELA 20 ELA Interviews	BIOLOGY 30 Cdn St 30 FDN & PRECALC 10 ELA Interviews	FND MATH 30 PHYS SCI 20 W&A MATH 10 ELA Interviews	FDN MATH 20 HLTH SCI 20 ELA Interviews	CALC 30 ENVIRO SCI 20 SCIENCE 10 ELA Interviews

	Thursday, June 20	Friday, June 21	Monday, June 24	Tuesday, June 25	Wednesday, June 26
Afternoons Exams 12:30 – 3:00	W&A Math 30 ELA Interviews	ELA Interviews HIST 10 Interviews	ELA Interviews HIST 10 Interviews	PHYSICS 30 ELA Interviews HIST 10 Interviews	ELA Interviews

DATES TO NOTE

MAY 17	PREPARATION TIME – NO CLASSES
MAY 20	VICTORIA DAY – NO CLASSES
MAY 22-25	SENIOR BAND TOUR
MAY 24	ELEMENTARY STANDARDS MEET (K-6)
MAY 28	SPRING FORMAL DANCE
MAY 31	TRACK & FIELD DISTRICTS
JUNE 7&8	PROVINCIAL TRACK & FIELD
JUNE 14	GRADE 12 GRADUATION
JUNE 20-26	HIGH SCHOOL FINAL EXAMS
JUNE 26	LAST DAY OF CLASSES
JUNE 27-28	PREPARATION DAY – NO CLASSES
JUNE 28	GR. 10-12 REPORT CARD PICK-UP – 9:00-11:00AM

COMMUNITY NEWS

Reminder – Community members- any news or sports events in the community will gladly be added to the newsletter. If your entries are submitted to Mrs. Cameron by the 10th of the month, she will have time to include them in the newsletter. **Thank you**



As the 2018-19 school year draws to a close, we are now accepting applications for **CASUAL CARETAKING summer help**. In order to maintain our school building to the highest possible standard, we require casual caretaking help in our school during July and August. If you are interested in working on a casual basis this summer, please contact Brian Matisz, Principal at 306-933-1022 or Brenda Thibodeau, our caretaking supervisor at 306-683-2919, as soon as possible for more information. Students, parents and community members are welcome to apply!!

Before & After School Program

Thank you on behalf of my "RR" Before and After School Program for a great year. As the weather warms up it's time to start thinking about summer but also before and after school childcare for next year. I will be accepting registrations for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. Please contact me for a registration form or more info. Space is limited so save your spot early. I can be reached by email at roadsiderhonda@sasktel.net or text my cell 306-260-6646. Please share with anyone you know that might be in need of my program.

Thank you!
Rhonda Randall



Dear Parents/Guardians,



Spring is finally here and it's the time to purchase a yearbook for the 2018/2019 school year. If you are interested, please send an order form with \$42.00 to the office or email me jackie.shabatoski@spiritsd.ca. The deadline to order a yearbook is June 16th. Don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase this keepsake!



Clavet School Nutrition Program



May 2019

*Good nutrition
supports
healthy learning!!*

Spring is here and So is Frozen Yogurt!!

Frozen Yogurt is offered daily for
Grades 7-12

for the cost of \$2 for 3 scoops.

A large variety of flavours are available.

Fresh Veggies Available Daily to students
on a rotating basis.



Fresh In-School Prepared Muffins and Smoothies

Grab and go breakfast now includes fresh healthy
muffins and fruit and yogurt smoothies prepared
right in the school.

Our students are enjoying this along with the
regular selection of fresh fruit, veggies, yogurt
and cereal.

Thank you to the Grade 2 Class for creating
this month's poster for Presidents Choice
Children's Charity



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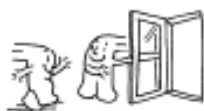
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SHORT NOTES

Being neighborly

Show your child how neighbors can depend on each other. If a package is delivered on a rainy day and the family isn't home, she could write a note saying she's holding it for them. Or if someone leaves headlights on, knock on their door together to let the person know.

Everyday research

Sharpen your youngster's research skills by challenging him to use them for practical purposes. Say he wants a pet or wonders why he needs to go to bed on time. Ask him to look into what being a pet owner would require or how sleep affects kids.

Growing up

As your child approaches puberty, she might compare herself to others. Explain that everyone develops at their own pace. The tallest person in her class right now may not be tallest in a few months. Good hygiene can boost confidence, so discuss routines like showering and using deodorant.

Worth quoting

"It's not what you look at that matters. It's what you see." *Henry David Thoreau*

JUST FOR FUN

Q: Why do bees hum?

A: Because they forget the words!



Summer learning traditions

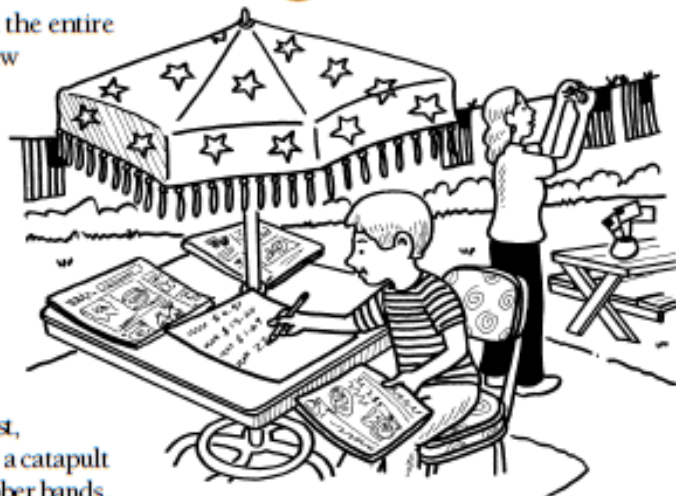
Your child has spent the entire school year learning new things. Help him hang onto that knowledge, and learn even more, by starting summer traditions like these.

STEM Olympics

Boost your youngster's STEM skills with a series of household engineering competitions. For the first contest, each person could build a catapult with craft sticks and rubber bands. See whose catapult can launch a ball the farthest. Next, maybe family members will compete to engineer a boat that carries the most pennies without sinking.

Family celebrations

Have your child use math to plan special events, such as an Independence Day cookout. Give him a budget, and let him look through grocery and dollar store flyers for the best prices on ingredients and supplies. He should list items and prices, and add up the total. Next, perhaps he'll host a National Ice Cream Day party



on July 21 or a back-to-school celebration the last weekend of summer break.

Reading pals

For a fun way to stay in touch—and practice reading—help your youngster find a relative to be his reading pal. Maybe he and his grandfather will take turns reading chapters of a novel via video chat. Or record a video of your youngster reading a book to send to a younger cousin. The little one can do the same to show her big cousin how she's learning to read. ♥

Let's limit screen time

For a healthier body and mind, your youngster needs to fill her days with something other than screen time. Here's how to encourage physical activity and real-life interactions:

- Decide on a daily screen time limit that is right for your family. Then, create rules to enforce the limit, such as "Play outside every day" and "Screen time ends at least one hour before bedtime."
- Be a role model by putting away devices yourself. For example, avoid using your phone when you're talking to or playing with your youngster. Or turn off the TV, and announce that it's time for a walk together. ♥



Beyond please and thank you

Whether your child is at home, in public, or at someone else's house, using good manners shows respect for others. Consider these tips.

Acknowledge visitors. Explain how to welcome guests. If your youngster is playing a game and people visit, she should stop and chat.

ACTIVITY CORNER

What's in the newspaper?

A newspaper brings plenty of learning opportunities to your youngster's doorstep. Take advantage of the paper with these activities.

Alphabet grab bag

Let your child cut out individual letters from headlines and use them to spell as many words as possible. He might also make sentences using uppercase and lowercase letters.

Comic relief

Your youngster can put events in a logical sequence with this idea. Cut out comic strip panels, mix them up, and ask him to arrange them in the right order. For a bigger challenge, mix up panels from several comic strips for him to sort and put in order.



Picture this

Have your child practice critical thinking. Cut out a newspaper photograph and show it to him without the caption or article. Can he figure out what the article is about? He could write a caption for the photo, then read the article to see if his caption makes sense.♥

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To provide busy parents with practical ideas that promote school success, parent involvement, and more effective parenting.

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Likewise, let her know to acknowledge when they leave by walking them to the door and saying goodbye.

Share public spaces.

When you use an escalator, you might say to your child, "We're standing on the right side. The left side is for walking." Or while waiting for the elevator, you could tell her, "Let's step back so people can get off before we get on."

Answer politely.

"Would you like pretzels or grapes?" When your child is offered options at someone else's home, she may think it's good manners to reply, "Either one." Point out that it's more helpful for the host if she says what she wants. ("I'd like grapes, thank you.")♥



Q & A

Musical experiences

Q: My daughter loves music class in school. She said she'll miss it this summer. Any ideas for "music class" at home?

A: It's great that your child likes music. In addition to bringing lifelong enjoyment, music can improve math and language skills by helping her recognize patterns and build vocabulary.

Ludly, music is everywhere. Explore styles by listening to different radio stations in the car. Or let her ask your smart speaker to play everything from rock and jazz to classical and bluegrass. Encourage your daughter to discover favorite genres and songs and to sing and clap along.

If your community has a summer concert series, plan to attend a few shows together. She'll get to see and hear a variety of instruments—not only guitars and drums, but perhaps banjos, bagpipes, or accordions.

Also, check the parks and recreation department for low-cost music classes. Maybe she'll learn to read music, sing harmonies, or even play the ukulele.♥



PARENT TO PARENT

Appreciating teachers

During a recent PTA meeting, parents were brainstorming low-cost gift ideas for Teacher Appreciation Week May 6–10. I wanted my son Aiden to recognize what his teachers do for him, so I wrote down the suggestions for him to choose from.

My son decided to put candy, pencils, and sticky notes into a jar for his classroom teacher. On the pad's

top note, he wrote, "Thank you for teaching me to write!" Since his art teacher's favorite color is yellow, he's

making her a yellow-themed goody bag with dollar store items—including highlighters with a note saying, "You shine bright!"

Aiden is enjoying putting together the gifts. He can't wait to hand them out and express his appreciation.♥

