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It is hard to believe that we are in our last month of the 2017/2018 school year! Whiteside has continued to be a fun-filled, engaging learning environment and I am proud to be the principal of such a fabulous school. I want to thank you all for continuing to keep the Whiteside spirit strong, through supporting your children, families in need, and the many activities that make our school such a special place to be. I look forward to continuing on as your principal for the 2018/2019 school year.

MAY ACTIVITIES TO CELEBRATE

A visit from the Aquavan

We were lucky to have been chosen by the Vancouver Aquarium to support in learning about the biodiversity in our Lower Mainland environment. An enormous van pulled up outside Whiteside, filled with all sorts of marine life and animal artifacts. What a wonderful learning experience for us all!



BC Elementary Team Chess Championship

We are proud to say that our Whiteside Chess Team came in 4th at the BC Elementary Team Chess Championship. Thank you Ms. Yoshimaru for hosting the Chess Club every Friday and escorting the team to the tournament!



Welcome to Kindergarten

We are excited to have met our new kindergarten students who will be joining us this fall. Our potential students created, played, danced and were read a story as their parents learned more about what kindergarten looks like at Whiteside. Thank you to our kindergarten teachers for making this event such a success.



Late French Immersion Orientation

We have also had the chance to meet our next year's Grade 6 Late French Immersion students. Mr. Pelletier spoke to parents and students about the program, and introduced them to this year's students. We look forward to greeting these families in the fall.



Zone track meet

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in our zone 6 track meet on Tuesday, May 29th. Our students were able to show everyone their Whiteside Spirit, demonstrating good sportsmanship, amazing behavior and hard work as they participated in both track and field events.



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OUR JUNE AGENDA

Breakfast Club Scramble – June 7th

Let's play, let's ride, let's eat! Check out motorcycles and help support breakfast club programs. You can purchase T-Shirts designed by students or provide a donation. All proceeds will go to Feed-U-Cate Program.

Movie Night – June 8th

Join us for our final movie night. Thank you to the PAC for running this family event! Movie Night will be featuring: Toy Story. There will be popcorn and raffle tickets to win Slinky the Dog from Toy Story. The raffle tickets are to support our grade 7 graduation party



Sports Day – June 15th

On June 15th, our **Yellow Bumble Bees**, **Blue Butterflies**, **Green Dragonflies** and **Red Ladybugs** will be competing in our Whiteside Sports Day. Come and join the fun! The Schedule will be as follows:

8:15 – 8:30 Station Leaders prep stations

8:30 – 8:45 Face painting in the library.

Bike Parade Bicycles to be parked in the gym

9:00 Attendance in classrooms

9:25 Bike parade

9:30 Welcome announcement and Team cheers

9:45 Pre-school race

10:00 Station events

11:30 Lunch

12:15 Shoe Game & Tug O War

1:15 Student Dismissal



Sports Day

Parent/ Staff Appreciation and Farewell Luncheon – June 12th

We would like to celebrate all of the parents, guardians and teachers who have worked hard to make this year at Whiteside a rich learning environment for our students.

We are asking parents to support the event by bringing food items or just joining us to celebrate. Whiteside staff will provide a special dessert and beverages. If you would like to prepare a salad, appetizer or main dish, please bring your contribution to the staff room or gym kitchen by noon on the day of the luncheon. Please RSVP if you would like to come.

Thank you
FOR YOUR SUPPORT



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Band Concerts – June 19th

It's the last time to hear our fabulous Whiteside Bands play this year! Please join us at our afternoon concert (1:30) or evening concert (7:00).



Grade 7 Farewell – June 22nd

It's time to say good-bye to our grade 7 students, who have been such an important part of our school community. On June 22nd, we will be celebrating with a morning graduation assembly at 10:30, followed by a luncheon and a dance in the afternoon. Further details will be given to grade 7 students as we get closer to the date.

Last Day of School – June 28th

The last day of classes for the 2017/2018 school year will be on June 28th. The day will begin with a recognition assembly at 11:00 am.

Dismissal will be at 3:00pm, as it is a full day, and report cards will be handed out. Report cards will not be mailed if you are away (report cards will be held at the office).



Planning for the 2018-19 school year is already underway. If you are moving during the summer, please notify the office.

Student Placement Request

Student placement request forms are now posted on the website. Please use only if your child has significant needs to consider. The form is due June 15, 2018. All the information submitted will be considered but there are **no guarantees** that we can accommodate your request.

Donations for Band

Grade 7 students who would like to donate their music books or instruments to the school, you can follow up with Ms. Lozovsky-Burns. A tax receipt can be provided.



Yearbook Sale

2017/18 Yearbooks will be available next week for \$22. Yearbooks can be picked up at the office starting on Monday, June 11th before school, recess or afterschool for \$22 cash / cheque (if you are bringing cash, please bring the exact amount).



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PAC Corner

Mark your calendar!

June 8th Movie Night: Toy Story

Last day for Freezie Sale (weather permitted)

June 13th is the date for the Parent Advisory Council Annual General Meeting. If you would like to join the PAC in any capacity, please come and see what positions are open.