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## FUN-FILLED FUNDRAISER – POSTPONED

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Unfortunately, the weather kept us from enjoying our Loonie-Toonie night on the originally scheduled date. That Mother Nature sure likes to remind us who is boss! ☺ Our amazing group of PAC parents has chosen a new date for this event. Mark your calendars for **TUESDAY, APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>**! The doors will open at 2pm, and families are welcome to peruse the auction items anytime between 2pm and 6pm. We will begin making the prize draws at 6pm. Stay tuned for more details!

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## ALEXANDER WOLF P.A.C.K.

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Our students are so incredible, each and every day! We were so lucky to be the grateful recipients of FREE pizza from one of our local pizzerias: Moo's Pizza! On Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, Moo's Pizza brought enough pizza to our school for every one of our wolf pack members to enjoy a slice! Thank you Moo's Pizza!! And, thank you to all of our students who do an amazing job of being Positive, Accepting, Cooperative, and Kind, each and every day!



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## FACEBOOK

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We have been working hard at keeping our School Facebook Page more up to date this year. We are posting at least once per day, and sharing things like notices for field trips, weekly updates, amazing photos of our students' art, and of course some important reminders.

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## MEASLES

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With the outbreak of measles in Vancouver, BC, families may be wondering what steps they can take to protect themselves from measles. Vaccination is the best method of protection. All school-age children and adults born in 1970 or later should have 2 doses of MMR vaccine for full protection. Most people born before 1970 are immune to measles because of past exposure or disease. Please take some time to check your vaccination records to see if you or your children need additional vaccination. Vaccination is available from physicians, pharmacists (for adults and children over 5 years), and public health units (for children). Call ahead to your healthcare provider to ensure that MMR is available at your appointment. More information about measles and MMR vaccine can be found at [healthlinkbc.ca](http://healthlinkbc.ca) and [immunizebc.ca](http://immunizebc.ca).

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## LOST AND FOUND

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Our Lost & Found bins are beginning to overflow! Please come by and have a look to see if any of your kids' lost items have become found! We will be encouraging classes and students to take a peek all throughout the week next week, so that most of our items get safely returned home!



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## STRONG START

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Did you know that Alexander Elementary School has a STRONGSTART program? All families with children under the age of 5 are welcome to join our FREE drop-in program.

Strong Start is open Monday-Friday, from 8:30am-11:30am. Come on by and meet our amazing Strong Start facilitator, Alexis, and get your little ones familiar and comfortable with our school!



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## BUS LANE and PARKING REMINDERS

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The snow and subsequent snow removal has provided us a great opportunity to be reminded about parking etiquette. We are still down a few parking spaces due to the piles of snow that were created in order to plow our parking lot. It would be amazing if all of our community members remembered these simple guidelines:

- Please only use designated spaces to park; do not park where you will be blocking cars in
- Please do not park in the bus lane
- Please be mindful of the buses in the bus lane; if they have their stop sign out on the side of their bus, please do not pass them
- If you are unable to find parking, please consider parking on one of the nearby residential streets and enjoying a short walk over to the school

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## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

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Kindergarten registration has begun for all our schools in the Cowichan Valley School District. If you have a child who will be turning 5 in 2019, please come visit us in the front office to register and get set for Kindergarten. Our Kindergarten teachers went to visit a number of our future Kindie students last week, and will be hosting some "Get Ready for Kindergarten" events in the spring. Stay Tuned!! To register, please bring proof of BC residency and a Canadian Birth Certificate or Canadian Passport to your school.

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> -Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>  
**SPRING BREAK!!!**

School re-opens after Spring Vacation	Monday, March 25, 2019
1-hour Early Dismissal	Friday, April 5, 2019
Non-Instructional Day (District Pro-D)	Monday, April 8, 2019
2-hour Early Dismissal (PLC)	Thursday, April 18, 2019
Good Friday	Friday April 19, 2019
Easter Monday	Monday, April 22, 2019
Non-Instructional Day (Teacher Pro-D)	Friday, May 3, 2019
2-hour Early Dismissal (PLC)	Wednesday, May 15, 2019
Victoria Day	Monday, May 20, 2019
Last day of school for students (2-hour Early Dismissal)	Thursday, June 27, 2019
Year-end Administrative Day	Friday, June 28, 2019

