



## North Saanich Middle School

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### Dear Parents and Guardians of Grade 8 Students:

The 2012-2013 year is coming to a close and our grade 8 students are in the process of completing their academic responsibilities and requirements for grade promotion. We are extremely proud of the work our students have done this year to set priorities, get assignments completed, and juggle busy schedules to ensure that schoolwork remains a priority.

### In the coming weeks, the continued expectation for our grade 8's will be to:

- Prepare for year-end tests. See exam schedule below:
  1. June 19: Science
  2. June 20: Language Arts/ Social Studies
  3. June 21: Math
- Complete learning outcomes connected to curriculum, including any "I" plans. The schedule for "I" completion includes:
  - June 10-14: Pro-active plans to support individual students
  - June 12 (science), 13 (humanities), 14 (math): Lunchtime "I" Support (staff supported)
  - June 14: "I" Plans Home
  - June 26/27: "I" Support Days
  - June 27: last date for completed work to be turned in.
- Behave in a safe and respectful manner.
- Maintain school code of conduct and behavioural standards including school dress code.
- Return all their textbooks (on the date of the final exam please).
- Pay all outstanding school fees and charges for damaged or lost library and/or textbooks prior to boarding the bus for the Beaver Lake field trip on Wed. Jun. 26th.

To celebrate this achievement, the staff have organized three special events in June. The total cost for these events is \$20.00.

- **Star Cinema: June 24th.** The grade 8 classes will be going as a group to the Star Cinema to see “Monsters University” at 12:30.
  
- **Beaver Lake: Wed. June 26th.** This is a day field trip at Beaver Lake Park. Buses will pick up students from school at approximately 9:25 and return to school before 3:00. Lunch will be provided although students may choose to bring other food as well. Cost for this field trip is \$10.00. Parents are welcome to accompany us on this trip.
  
- **Grade 8 Farewell: Tuesday June 25: 6:00 – 9:00 PM.** Just a reminder that this farewell is a stepping stone on the road to high school graduation. For the Grade 8 Farewell, “Grad” and formal clothing are not necessary and “Limos” are likewise not appropriate. We remind students that the school dress code is in effect for this occasion.
  - **6:00-6:40** Parents, students, and staff assemble in gym for Grade 8 completion certificate presentation
  - **6:40-7:00** Snacks in the Atrium
  - **7:00 – 9:00** Dance in multipurpose room.

In order to offer these opportunities for students we need them to continue to be engaged and respectful at school.

The Grade 8 Awards will be presented at the school wide assembly on Thursday June 20<sup>th</sup> (9:30-11:00). Parents are welcome to attend.

We look forward to these activities. They are designed to celebrate the successful completion of middle school. We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Kal Russell