Principal's Message ~ April 22nd – 26th, 2024

This Week at Lord Tweedsmuir

Thursday April 25th, 2024

Good morning Panthers!

This week we have been celebrating Earth Day... and our Student Council has hosted Spirit Week. The weather at the beginning of the week was gorgeous and the cherry blossoms continued to brighten our days. We are all so very fortunate to live in this beautiful part of the world. I hope your week has gone well and that your semester #2 learning journey is unfolding with meaningful learning, friendship and fun.



Congratulations to Mr. De La Pena and our Band students on your recent success at the Whistler Music Festival. Way to go Panthers! You are all wonderful ambassadors of our school.





On Monday, for Earth Day, our students had the chance to plant seeds and celebrate nature. It was a beautiful, sunny day and a glorious time to be outside.



In addition to Earth Day, our students have been demonstrating their school spirit with special costumes throughout the week. My favourite was "Barbeque Dad"! ②. As always, we are very grateful for the leadership our students provide in supporting the school, creating school spirit and celebrating our Lord Tweedsmuir community.

It has been a busy week as the Administration team began the Round 1 interview process and the staffing process for next year. Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary continues to be a popular choice for teacher candidates with our strong and positive reputation across our school district. We look forward to these important conversations.

On Wednesday, we celebrated Administrative Professionals Day with our clerical team. Great thanks to our amazing team: Krystal, Dee, Teri, Brenda, Hannah, Lauren and Rebecca. We are so appreciative of the leadership and support you all provide to our entire school community. We couldn't do this without you! Thank you for all you do.

This week our school's Health and Safety Committee met again to review the various safety protocols we have established. This important work supports us all. Our recent District safety audit was successful, and we will continue to monitor all aspects of our community. Great thanks to our committee members.

Thursday evening is Grade 7 Parents Night and Clubs Fair. The evening will begin at 6:00pm in our large gymnasium for some welcoming remarks, and then parents will have an opportunity to learn more about some of our extracurricular clubs and take a self-guided tour around our campus. We are looking forward to meeting parents/guardians of our Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary class of 2029.

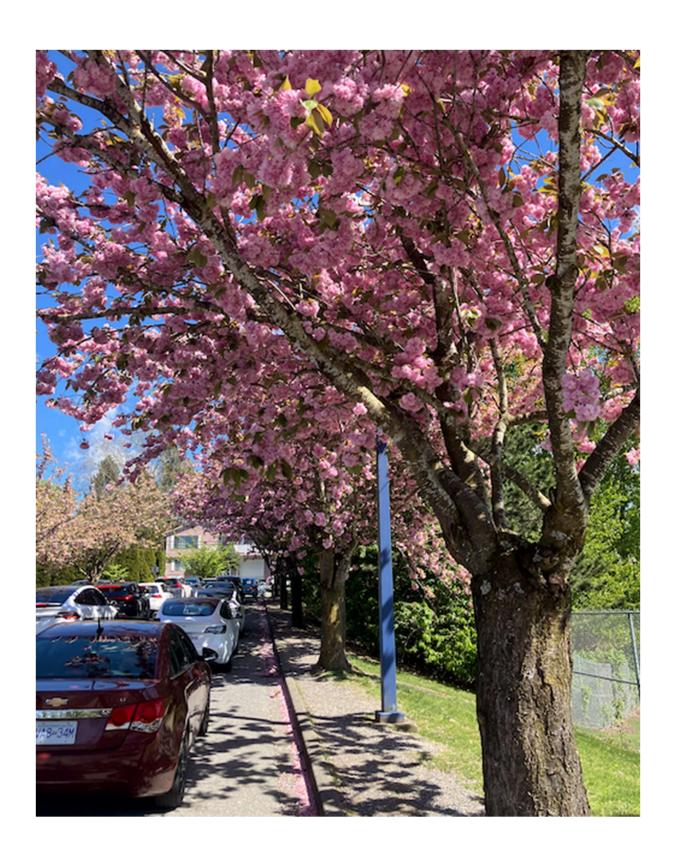
Tomorrow, we will be hosting our first Grade 7 class visit with Don Christian Elementary. The morning promises to be a fun and informative opportunity for our future Panthers to learn more about the school, meet some of our Leadership students, and see our Panther Pride in action! Great thanks to our Student Council and Leadership students for your help in hosting the activities. I know our Grade 7 students will appreciate their visit.

Thank you to our entire LTSS Panther community: staff, students, parents/guardians, friends of the school. Your contribution to our caring community of excellence – and our work together as a team, allows us to create something very special. Way to go Panthers!

Have a safe and relaxing weekend. 😉



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Traffic Safety



Traffic safety around Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary is a critical priority for our community. With increased enrollment, the number of vehicles navigating around and within our school grounds also increases. It is essential that all drivers are very cautious while driving near the school and are aware of the many student pedestrians who are nearby.

All students and parents/guardians are requested to consider the following:

- If possible, students please walk and/or bike to school. Fewer vehicles attempting to drop off and/or pick up students will be very helpful.
- Consider dropping off/picking up 2-3 blocks away from the school and avoid the traffic congestion around the school.
- Consider drop-off/pick up earlier and/or later in the morning/afternoons to avoid peak traffic times.

Thank you for your help in protecting the safety of our students.