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## NEWSLETTER No. 16-19

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### Principal's Message

The spring has sped by and we are beginning to anticipate the warmth and relaxation of summer. We'll keep our fingers crossed that last weekend's beautiful weather will reappear and stay for a while. Please remember to peruse the unique **Choice Summer Program** offerings that are scheduled for our students and others during the weeks of **July 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>**, and **July 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>**. The programs will be taught by members of Choice staff and promise to be valuable and engaging learning experiences.

This month promises to be full and exciting. Next week we welcome the return of the senior students from their outdoor school adventure. From the reports of the returning staff (Mr. Thomas, Mr. Sargeant, Ms King and Mrs. Jacobs) it seems Camp Potlatch was terrific fun, despite the rain. We missed our older students this week, and the school seemed very quiet without them.

On Monday, prior to leaving for camp, Class E students presented their Science Fair projects. The focus was on the scientific method; students had developed interesting investigations around unique hypotheses and shared their discoveries with students from other grades. Well done, Class E!

Last night, the younger students in Grades K to 3 had an adventure of their own with a sleepover at the school. After a vigorous play outdoors, students assembled in the kitchen for a Master Chef Challenge. On the Choice Facebook page you can view the highly creative dishes prepared by the inventive culinary teams. Following a movie, the students settled quickly into sleep. Thank you to Ms Walli, Mrs. M and Shaheen for organizing this lovely event.

Next week the school will be alive with the music and energy of the spring production, *Peter Pan*. Parents will have received an email message regarding ticket purchases for the **Thursday evening (June 8<sup>th</sup>) performance or the Friday (June 9<sup>th</sup>) matinee**. The cast, stage crew and staff have worked countless hours to create what promises to be a magical production, and we look forward to sharing this magic with you.

After the cold and rainy weather, the *Nurturing Nature, Growing Minds* project is moving ahead. Our parent team has overseen the planting of a butterfly garden, and the vegetable plots are underway. This week has seen the hatching of the Painted Lady butterflies that Class A has been nurturing as larvae and chrysalids; students will release the adults into the sunshine as they mature. **Please join us for the official opening of the greenhouse at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>.**

A reminder that on **Monday, June 5 the annual school panoramic photo and class photos are scheduled**; students **must** be wearing their formal Choice uniforms for this event.

Please save the date of **Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> for our Father's Day Breakfast and the La Fete celebration** that culminates the school year.

I hope you enjoy the sunny weekend ahead!

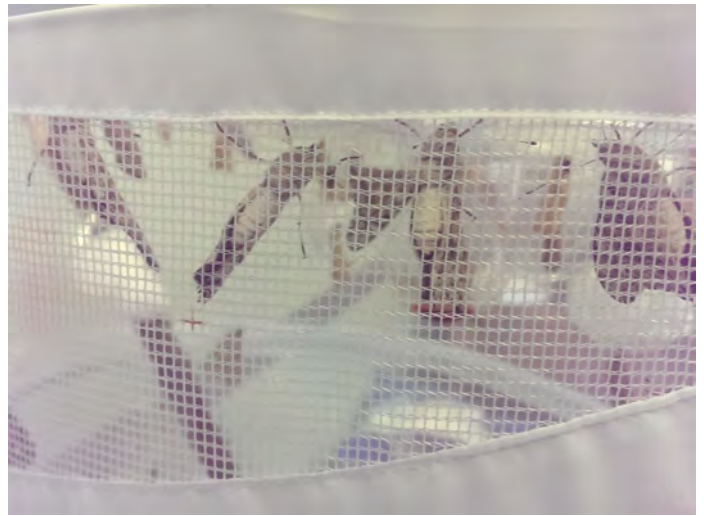
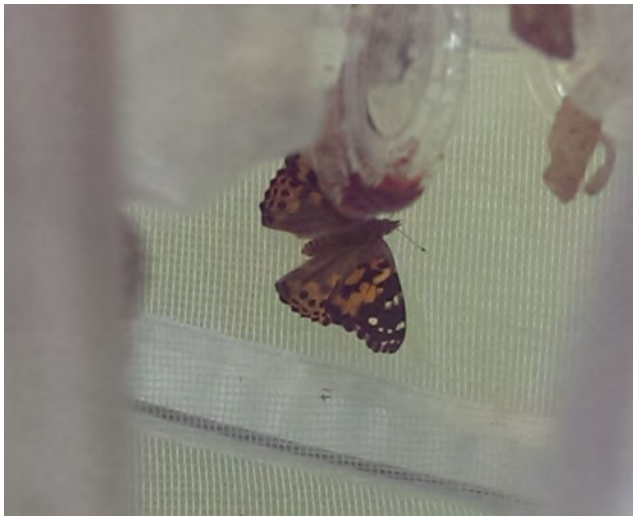
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## Important Dates & Reminders

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| June 5, 2017  | <b>School Panoramic Photo Day &amp; Class Photos</b> (please make sure your child is in full uniform for our photos) |
| June 8, 2017  | <b>School Production of Peter Pan</b> (7:00 PM)                                                                      |
| June 9, 2017  | <b>School Production of Peter Pan</b> (10:30 AM)                                                                     |
| June 12, 2017 | <b>Class A Field Trip to the Vancouver Aquarium</b> (8:45 AM - 3:00 PM)                                              |
| June 13, 2017 | <b>Official Greenhouse Opening</b> (2:00 PM)                                                                         |
| June 14, 2017 | <b>PAC Meeting</b> (8:45 AM)<br><b>Usborne Book Fair</b>                                                             |
| June 19, 2017 | <b>Class C&amp;D Field Trip to the Vancouver Aquarium</b> (8:45 AM - 3:00 PM)                                        |
| June 23, 2017 | <b>Father's Day Breakfast</b><br><b>La Fete</b><br><b>Last Day of School</b>                                         |

# Class A's Butterflies

Class A's caterpillars have transformed into Painted Lady Butterflies!



# Camp Potlatch

Students in Classes C, D and E went to Camp Potlatch this week. Here are some photos from their trip!



# Choice School's Sleepover

While the older students were away at camp, Classes A and B had a sleepover at Choice, complete with a "Master Chef" competition.

