

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Lockerby Composite School's weekly news on Viking academics, events, extra-curriculars, and more!

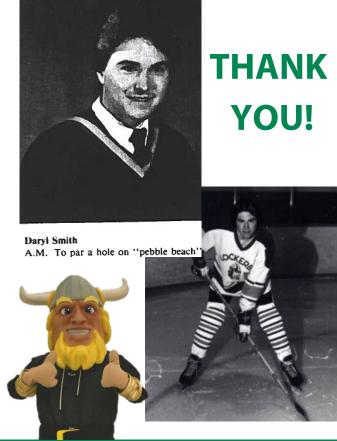
### **HAPPY RETIREMENT, MR. SMITH!**

A few days ago, Lockerby Composite School staff and students wished Mr. Smith a happy last day of teaching and a well-deserved retirement!

As a Lockerby Composite School alumnus, Mr. Smith began his career working as a Landscape Technologist in Mississauga, Toronto, and St. John's (Newfoundland). For several years, Mr. Smith also worked as a Landscape Instructor at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute and Seneca College. After securing a teaching position with the Nipissing Board of Education in 1994, Mr. Smith joined the West Ferris Secondary School teaching staff in North Bay and taught drafting. When the opportunity presented itself later that year, Mr. Smith was able to return to his alma mater, where he taught in our Technology Department for over 25 years...once a Viking, always a Viking!

For many years, Mr. Smith served as STEP and Laptop Learning Program Leader and supported innovative learning for our students (and staff alike). The impact Mr. Smith has had on the Lockerby Composite School community is certainly reaching: mentoring our Ontario Skills Competition participants, working to continually support our school's online presence, being the school's technology and software guru, and helping to support and coach a variety of our clubs and sports. Mr. Smith has devoted countless hours towards helping students succeed both inside and outside the school, while enabling Viking students to fulfill their aspirations (especially in the Architecture field). The respect students and colleagues have for him extends beyond the classroom walls because of his unwavering abilities to build relationships. As a skilled educator, Mr. Smith's classes have always been a very popular choice for students! It is hard to imagine Lockerby Composite School without Mr. Smith's presence in the building. We hope you enjoy your retirement with your family and friends - you've certainly earned it!





#### HAIRBALLS!

What do owls and cats have in common? They both cough up hairballs! This week, our Grade 11 Biology students explored the skeletal system by dissecting "owl pellets." Owls are unable to digest fur and bones from the prey they eat and regurgitate them in little compact packages. By examining the bones you can identify the prey species and make inferences about wild prey populations.





#### MARK AND RECAPTURE

This week, our Viking students wrappedup their AP Biology course by completing some practice testing in anticipation for the AP Examination, and practicing mark-recapture investigation by trapping and marking caribou (beans). They were then able to assess the impact of the number of samples on the accuracy of their estimate by calculating % error.



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#### **HEALTHY ACTIVE LIVING**

The Grade 9 Healthy Active Living students enjoyed their final week of classes as they participated in a variety of games and fitness challenges led by Casimir H., a Lockerby alumnus who is currently completing his college co-op placement!





#### MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES

This week our Medical Technologies students spent some doing blood (fake) withdrawals on our mannequins. It was a bit tricky to do at first, but it didn't take long for our Vikings to get the hang of it!





#### **GRADE 9 STEP SCIENCE**

A solar eclipse is an interesting phenomenon that occurs once every few years when the moon passes in front of the sun and blocks its light from reaching Earth. Unfortunately most of the event is still too bright to observe with your own eyes! This week, Grade 9 students constructed eclipse boxes which allow you to safely observe a solar eclipse. The next solar eclipse should be visible from our school the evening of May 15, 2022 - mark your calendars! Lockerby science students also showed-off their artistic sides with some science themed paintings. Way to end off the semester, Vikings!



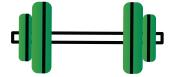




#### VIKING ATHLETICS UPDATE

As previously reported, several high school sports have returned to training (effective as of January 21st). Those sports include:

- Volleyball
- Curling
- Basketball
- Hockey



These sports will be returning to competition in Semester 2!



<u>Alpine Skiing / Snowboarding</u>

Our Alpine Skiers & Snowboarders continue to carve-up the slopes of Adanac Ski Hill as they prepare for the SDSSAA City and NOSSA Regional Championships. Our race dates are now finalized:

- SDSSAA Alpine Ski Championships Wednesday, February 16th, 2022
- NOSSA Alpine Ski championships Wednesday, February 23rd, 2022
- SDSSAA/NOSSA Snowboard Championships Wednesday, March 2nd, 2022





Nordic Skiing

On Thursday afternoon, nine members of Lockerby's Nordic Ski team were given the green light to travel to Windy Lake Provincial Park to participate in the first high school sporting event since before the Holiday Break, and the first Preliminary Ski Meet of the season! Under the cool yet sunny conditions, 2.8km and 7.5km races were excellent opportunities to test technique and endurance. Grade 9 newcomer Lea L. proved that consistent training pays-off as she placed 1st overall in the girls 2.8km event! Grade 10 sensation lvy S.-H., who has also shown exceptional dedication to training, placed 1st in the high school girls category of the 7.5km race. Grade 12 veterans Travis A. and Konrad S.-H. placed 1st and 3rd respectively in the high school category of the senior boys 7.5km race. The team will compete again on Tuesday, February 8th, 2022!













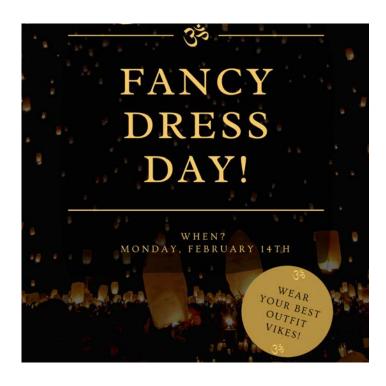


#### SEMESTER 1 FINAL REPORT CARDS

Semester 1 Final Report Cards will be distributed in Homerooms on Friday, February 18th, 2022.



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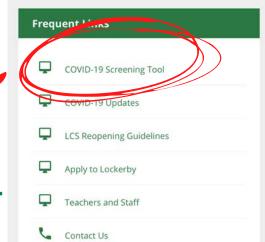




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Self-Screen before
coming to school!

Visit our website for

the Screening Tool



#### LOCKERBY STAFF UPDATE

As a new semester begins on Monday, the Viking Community would like to welcome Ms. Harvey to our Technological Studies Department and Ms. Tastula to our Main Office Staff!

The Viking Community would also like to recognize the contributions of Mr. Dykstra, Ms. Nahwegahbow, Ms. Stewart, and Ms. Lewis to our school and wish them the best of luck in their new semester positions within Rainbow Schools and beyond!



#### VALENTINE GRAMS

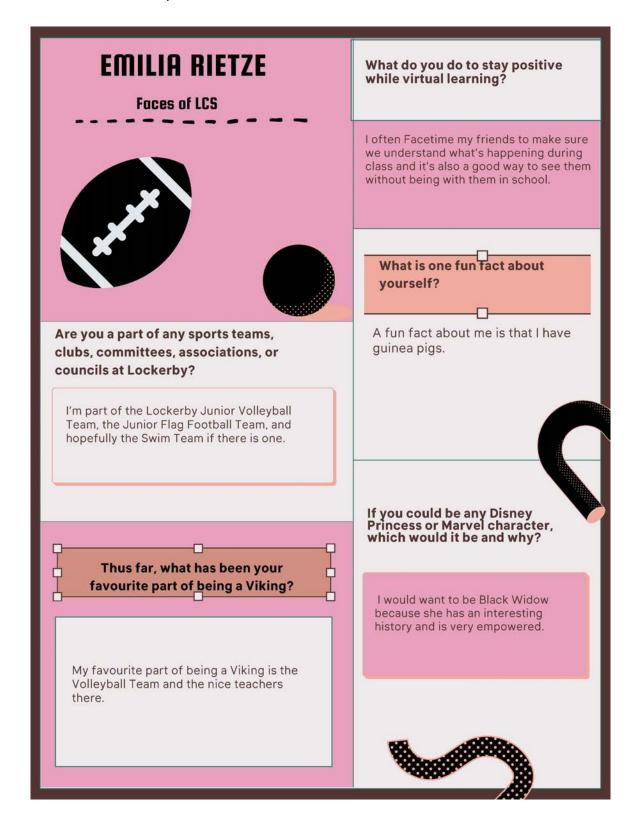
Student Council is selling Valentine Candy Grams from February 8th - 11th. Our Student Council has a limited supply, so don't wait to purchase. They are \$2.50 each and will be delivered to homerooms on Monday, February 14th, 2022.



#### STUDENT COUNCIL - FACES OF LOCKERBY

#### A message from your Student Council:

Hello Vikings! As we move into our second semester, we will continue to post photos of Lockerby students and staff, and sharing their stories, experiences, and insights. Through this project, we aim to foster compassion, understanding, and school spirit with our Lockerby Community! Please reach out to Student Council members if you're interested (or know of someone who may be interested) to be featured!



#### STUDENT COUNCIL - FACES OF LOCKERBY

# Faces of Lockerby Teacher Spotlight Mr. Dykstra

# How long have you been teaching at Lockerby and what subjects do you teach?

I have been teaching at Lockerby since September 2021. I teach Grade 9 Science, Grade 11 Biology, and Learning Strategies.

# What is your favourite sport to play?

My favourite sport is judo.

# If you had superpowers, what would they be and why?

I personally would not want any superpowers ... but something that makes scraping inside of the car windows' easier would be nice.

# What is one piece of advice you would tell your high school self?

One thing I would tell my high school self would be: when you hit your limit, 5% more effort gives double the reward.



#### **BUS ROUTE CANCELLATIONS**

A message from our Sudbury Student Services (Busing) Consortium:

SUDBURY STUDENT SERVICES CONSORTIUM

# **COVID-19 NEWS**



#### **ROUTE CANCELLATIONS**

Like other sectors in the community, we are anticipating a higher level of absenteeism which may affect your child's bussing.

We will post all School Bus Route Cancellations every morning on our website at www.businfo.ca by 6:30 am.

Please visit our website every morning before sending your child to the bus stop. You will not be receiving a telephone call or an email.



#### STUDENT SERVICES

#### **Post Secondary**

Post-Secondary Application Deadlines

Marks will be sent to Ontario colleges and universities on Wednesday, February 9th, 2022. Students are asked to check their OCAS and OUAC accounts to ensure that all of their courses and marks have been transferred. Students should also be checking their individual post-secondary portals (i.e., Cambrian College and/or Laurentian University).

Many of the schools have been providing details regarding additional requirements, incomplete applications, etc. Students must ensure that all of the necessary details for their application are complete. If you have any concerns please speak to Mrs. Beaudry or Ms. Baggs in Student Services.

<u>Trent University - Virtual Open House (February 15, 2022)</u>

Are you a student in Grade 10 or 11 thinking about attending university but aren't quite sure where to start? Trent University invites you to attend their virtual Grade 10/11 Information Night on Tuesday, February 15th, 2022. You can explore academic programs, learn about the application process, find out more about scholarships, and take a virtual tour of both Trent's Peterborough Campus and Durham GTA campuses! Register now at https://www.trentu.ca/

#### **Grades 9 - 11**

Course Selection (2022 - 2023)

Course selections for the 2022 - 2023 academic year started this week and will continue until Friday, February 18th, 2022. To assist with planning for this process, students are asked to myBlueprint electronic course selection (www.myblueprint.ca). Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to visit the Student Services Google Classroom for detailed course descriptions and prerequisites (join code: zyxxsi). especially important for our present Grade 11 students to complete their course selection research because they have to ensure they are picking the proper prerequisites required for post-secondary programs of study. This process of selecting courses can appear intimidating for many students, but counsellors will be working closely with our students to address their questions and concerns. Once students have completed their selection they will receive a hard copy of their choices to review with their parents/guardians. Parents/Guardians are then asked to please review and sign their student's Course Selection Sign-Off Document. We require the signed document in order to finalize the students' courses for the 2022 - 2023 academic year. If there are any changes that you would like to make, please indicate the changes in pen within the document.

#### LIBRARY SERVICES

The Library is here to assist you with all your reading and research needs. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Ms. Gordon via email or in person. Note that with the changes to the course schedule, the Library has changed their lunch hour to better serve you! The library will now be closed from 12:00pm - 12:30pm. We open from 7:30am to 3:00 pm daily.



Did you know that the Library offers the following services?

- Resume building
- Printing, color or black and white
- Interlibrary loans
- Research help
- Database orientation
- Chromebooks

And reintroducing, puzzles, cards, and chess!



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## **Lockerby Composite School**

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Hello Vikings Community!

As we transition into our second semester, we thought that we would share a few reminders and important messages.

#### Welcome to Semester 2

Welcome to our Second Semester! Our Semester 2 classes will begin on Monday, February 7th, 2022.

- For students being dropped-off by bus on Ramsey Lake Road, by way of parents/guardians, or for those walking to school, we ask that you continue to enter the building through the Main Entrance Doors.
- For students being dropped-off by bus at the side of the school, we ask that you continue to enter the building through our Guidance Doors.

As you enter the building at your designated entrance, you will still be required to hand sanitize, find your homeroom classroom number on the walls nearby both entrances (without congregating), and proceed directly to your homeroom classroom. Students should not be congregating in the hallways. Students should also continue to take note of the posters, directional arrows, and hallway divisions. As always, staff will be in the hallways to answer questions, show students to classrooms, and make sure that our school entry runs smoothly. Once students are in their homeroom classes, they will receive their new four-period timetables (on the first day of classes) and learn about specific classroom health and safety procedures.

#### Students Transferring to the Virtual School

Rainbow District School Board's Virtual School Guidance Department will be reaching-out to all Vikings that are transferring to the Virtual School for the remainder of the school year. Those students that are transferring should ensure that their lockers have been cleaned-out and all school items/materials have been returned to the Main Office prior to Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

#### Attendance Procedures and Self-Screening

It is important to note that students, teachers, and school staff must continue to self-screen for symptoms of COVID-19 before leaving home. Students (and staff) who are unwell and fail the Screening Tool must stay home from school and carefully read the next steps found on the online Screening Tool. This online Screening Tool can be found on our website under the 'Frequent Links' tab on our homepage. As always, please ensure that a parent/guardian contact the Main Office each morning to report daily absences. The Ontario online Screening Tool can be found at: https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/

#### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Students

The Ministry of Education and Rainbow District School Board has mandated that all students continue to wear a non-medical (or cloth) mask. It will be the students' responsibility to ensure that their mask is washed on a daily basis. It is recommended that students carry extra masks with them each day. Students must wear their mask throughout the entirety of the day including in hallways and during classes. It is also recommended that students bring a storage container/envelope for mask 'safe-keeping' when they are removed.



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#### Personal Belongings - Lockers

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Home to the Science Technology Education Program (STEP) est. 1984 Students will continue to utilize their lockers for the remainder of the school year. Students will be able to access their lockers in the morning before heading to their homeroom class, at the beginning of lunch, following lunch, and at the end of the day. Based on our return to a four-period daily schedule (see below), students should be bringing both their Period 1 and Period 2 items to their homeroom class. Due to continued cohorting restrictions, students should not congregate at their lockers in groups. We are also asking that all students minimize the number of belongings they bring to school and we are asking that students bring a refillable water bottle to school for the water filling stations (all traditional water fountains will be turned off/removed).

#### Student Timetables / School Day Structure

All Lockerby Composite School students will be attending school every day each week. Director Bourget announced last week that our second semester will be the transition date from the modified semester schedule to the regular four-period day schedule. This change is supported by the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Health, and Public Health Sudbury and Districts. Students will be reminded about our school day structure in their homeroom classes on their first days of Semester 2. They will also be receiving new timetables on their first day of Semester 2 classes. Again, in order to find their homeroom, student names and classroom numbers will be positioned on the walls nearby both entrances of the school.



## LOCKERBY COMPOSITE SCHOOL REGULAR DAY SCHEDULE

TIME	PERIOD
8:15	Warning Bell
8:20 - 8:25	Homeroom
8:25 – 9:40	Period 1
9:44 – 10:59	Period 2
10:59 – 11:51	Lunch
11:51 – 1:06	Period 3
1:10 - 2:25	Period 4

#### **Hallway Traffic and Movement**

Please note that throughout the school there will still be directional posters, arrows, and dots to indicate traffic flow. Again, tape has been placed on the floor to separate direction of movement and we will continue to encourage students to maintain distancing in the hallways. Our staff will be out in the hallways for all transitions. It's a tradition at Lockerby Composite to have staff in the hallways at the beginning of the day and throughout transitions, and lunch as part of our invitational learning initiatives.



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#### School Signage

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Home to the Science Technology Education Program

(STEP) est. 1984 COVID-19 signage continues to be placed on walls and floors to help students remember protocols and health and safety measures. The signage is posted at entrances, in classrooms, large spaces, meetings spaces, and other rooms. Throughout our school, tape has been used in the middle of the hallways to separate flow of hallway movement. Likewise, floor decals (arrows and dots) have been specifically placed on the floor - please note that each colour does not represent anything specific.

#### Lunch - Cafeteria / Auditorium / Designated Classrooms

Based on our four-period schedule, all students will be eating lunch at the same time. Students choosing to go outside at the start of the lunch period will be allowed to do so. Please note, however, that if students leave the building during the lunch period, they must remain outside until 5 minutes before the start of their Period 3 class. Students choosing to remain in the building will be cohorted in the Cafeteria, Auditorium, and classrooms. Our Grade 9 students will remain in the Cafeteria, our Grade 10 students will remain in the Auditorium, and Grade 11 and 12 students will be eating in designated classrooms. The lunchtime procedures and Grade 11 and Grade 12 designated classrooms will be discussed with all students in their homerooms on the first day of Semester 2 classes.

During lunch periods, students will not be allowed to eat in school hallways. Students will only be allowed to leave the Cafeteria, Auditorium, or designated classrooms if they are a Grade 12 student with a Period 3 spare; if they need to use the washroom/get a drink from the refillable station; if a school club is running; if a student is looking to use our Library; or if they have eaten and there is an opportunity go outside. Again, please note that if students leave the building during the lunch period, they must remain outside until 5 minutes before the start of their Period 3 class. Students re-entering the building will be following re-entry procedures (ie. hand sanitizing) and will proceed directly to their Period 3 class, once they visit their lockers (no congregation). These students must enter through our main set of doors.

Please note that our Cafeteria Servery will be open at lunchtimes only. More information regarding purchases can be found at www.zipthru-card.ca and at the Cafeteria Servery. A Zipthru app has also been developed for pre-ordering. Vending machines and microwaves will be in service.

#### School Day Dismissal

Our school-day dismissal will begin at 2:20pm. Students will be dismissed via the PA system in groups and will be asked to exit the building using the arrows and signage.

#### School Policies / Procedures / Protocols / Expectations

A presentation to students that includes new school procedures, overviews of health and safety protocols, and Semester 2 programming expectations (by way of homeroom teachers) will occur the first day of classes. The contents of this presentation will also be shared with our parents/guardians (by way of our website). Please know that we will also provide weekly Friday updates through our 'Lockerby Newsletter' (shared by way of email communication to parents/guardians and sharing on our social media websites). Likewise, we will have daily school video announcements from our Student Council.



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## **INTERESTED IN BECOMING A VIKING?**

PERSONALIZED INFORMATION SESSION

Book your virtual visit today!

Mrs. Beaudry (Student Services)
beaudrg@rainbowschools.ca (705) 522-1750 ext. 6514

#### WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW FOR NEXT WEEK...

Dan Watson, our school Social Worker, will be at Lockerby Composite School next week.

Monday, February 7th

• Start of Semester - new four-period schedule

Tuesday, February 8th

Course Selection (Heffern)

Wednesday, February 9th

Thursday, February 10th

· Valentine Gram sales begin

PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY

• Grade 12 Graduation Photos

• Course Selection (Williamson)

Course Selection (Coulas, MacLennan)

Friday, February 11th

Course Selection (Beausoleil, Svalina)



Weekdays in Room 223 Returning February 22nd





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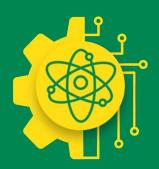


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