

# This month at the Victoria German School

## Parent-Teacher Conferences

Just a reminder that we have upcoming Parent-Teacher Conferences as follows:

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 11:30-12:30

Spielgruppe (Roswitha, Angie)

Grundstufe I (Britta, Erika)

Grundstufe II (Andrea, Gudrun)

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February, 5:00-6:00pm

Grundstufe II (Erika)

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February, 9:00-9:30; 11:15-12:45

Sprachdiplom (Petra)

Please contact us if you would still like to book a meeting with your child's teacher.

## Publishing Photographs

Our photographs from last year's Ritterfest have arrived – many thanks to photographer Ute Mueller! We will be publishing these photos on our website and other school materials shortly, for all to enjoy. If you have concerns about publishing photos of your children, please contact us before February 28<sup>th</sup> for an opportunity to preview the photographs.

## News from our classrooms – Sprachdiplom

Just last week, our Sprachdiplom class treated parents and peers to an interactive and informative *Reisemesse*. Students worked hard to research a German-speaking city, region, or Bundesland; they created travel brochures, brought in tasty samples of food typical of their destination, and set up kiosks for curious visitors to come and chat.

Destinations included München, Berlin, Kassel, Bayern, der Schwarzwald, Köln, Düsseldorf, Thüringen, and Österreich.

Special thanks to all those who came to our *Reisemesse*, and to parents for helping out with the culinary treats. It was a great success and we are very proud of the students for their enthusiasm.

Keep it up Sprachdiplom!

## Save the Date!

| <u>Board Meetings</u>     | <u>Fasching</u>          | <u>Spring Break</u>                      | <u>Osterfest</u>       | <u>Easter</u>          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| 26 <sup>th</sup> February | 5 <sup>th</sup> March    | 19 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> March | 16 <sup>th</sup> April | 23 <sup>rd</sup> April |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> April     | 11:30-12:30              | No Classes                               | Edelweiss Club         | No Classes             |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> May       | (+ <u>Bottle Drive</u> ) |  |                        |                        |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> June      |                          |  |                        |                        |

# February 2011

## Fundraising Update

A big thank-you to the local businesses that are supporting our school through on-going fundraisers. Currently we have three Victoria businesses assisting us:

- Thrifty Foods donates 5% of all money spent on VGS Smile Cards (up to \$1000). Please ask the Hall Monitor if you would like to get a Smile Card from our school (the cards are specific to VGS).
- The Soap Exchange at Hillside and Cedar Hill donates 5% of sales associated with our school. Don't forget to mention the Victoria German School when making your purchases, in order for the proceeds to be donated to VGS!
- The Bottle Depots at 3961 Quadra, 655 Queens, and 4261 Glanford will forward any money from bottle returns to the Victoria German School account – if you ask them to!

It's that time again... to start collecting your bottles!

We will be holding another Bottle Drive at the school on Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup>.

## Silent Auction – Call for Donations!



Following last year's fun-filled celebration and successful silent auction, we are already looking ahead to our annual Sommerfest. We are currently campaigning for donations for this year's silent auction fundraiser, *and we need your help!* Any type of donation can be used in the silent auction, whether it is a service, a product, a gift certificate, or anything in between! For example, last year's items up for bids included things such as homemade German baking, a professional massage, opera tickets, a knitting lesson, and retail gift certificates. If you or anyone you know has an item or service that could be donated to our silent auction fundraiser, please let us know. All donations are greatly appreciated!

Money raised from fundraising projects such as the silent auction go directly towards resources for our students, as well as enabling the school to subsidize tuition fees - helping to keep tuition affordable!

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