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Learning Alternatives Families,

A lot of school and provincial announcements have occurred this first week back from Spring Break. I would like to thank each of our students for creating such a safe learning environment. The positive attitude and compliance towards the new Stage 2 COVID-19 Updates helped remind me how amazing our school is.

We have only been back for four days and now we head into a four day weekend. I hope that the sunshine stays with us and allows each of you to have a great Easter with your households. If the weather turns and parents are looking for something to do, please feel free to complete the Learning Survey. The parent survey is available at: [www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\\_survey/access.htm](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm) The survey will be available until Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> and takes about 20 minutes to complete. Your responses are voluntary and anonymous. Your child will not be identified because of your participation in the survey. When completing the survey please select School District 68 Nanaimo-Ladysmith and select Vast Centre for our school name. Thanks in advance for your participation.

I would like to give a couple quick shout outs to ABOUT student, Ash Edwards, and our Take a Hike Energy Team. Ash's music video "Keep Me in Your Poppy" finished second in the province for BC/Yukon Legion Contest. Feel free to give it a view and the other contest winners at: <https://www.legionbcyukon.ca/news/2020-2021-bcyukon-poster-and-literary-contest-winners> Amelia Bieling led the Take a Hike Team to a third place finish in the Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools Energy Cup. These are just two of the many recent celebrations.

Please reach out to your child's cohort teachers with any questions about attendance, course work or work habits. Students in all programs will be receiving an Ongoing Communication of Student Learning Report on Friday, April 30. Our next PAC Meeting, is on Wednesday, April 14 at 6:00pm on Microsoft Teams. I am happy to send out invitations to any other parents that are interested in attending.

Please know that there's nothing I will not do to support the students of Learning Alternatives.

Stay Safe,

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