

Nanaimo-Ladysmith Schools Foundation

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'Hello Spring' May 6 craft market – fundraiser for school kids in need

NANAIMO, 13 April 2017 -- Local charity Nanaimo-Ladysmith Schools Foundation is holding an event to raise funds for local school children in need.

'Hello Spring' craft market is set for Saturday, May 6, 10 am to 5 pm, at Nanaimo District Secondary School, at 355 Wakesiah Avenue.

"This will be our first handmade market fundraiser of the year and it has already attracted 70 vendors, many of whom took part in our December 'Handmade for the Holidays' craft market," said Crystal Dennison, executive director of Nanaimo-Ladysmith Schools Foundation.

"There are great gift ideas for all occasions, and Mother's Day shoppers won't want to miss this event that will feature a wide range of items such as scarves, jewelry, candles, soaps, T-shirts, and much more. We will also have some outdoor vendors," she said.

In addition to a wide range of crafts for sale, there will be a snack table and a variety of raffles with items donated by the vendors. Proceeds from entrance donations, table rentals, raffles, and concession stand will benefit the Schools Foundation's student support program to help local school children living in poverty.

Donations (\$2 suggested) will be taken at the door.

"It's shaping up to be a great market and a nice opportunity to shop local for great gifts made by local people and support local students in need," said Dennison.

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About Nanaimo-Ladysmith Schools Foundation

Nanaimo-Ladysmith Schools Foundation is a community-based, registered charity that raises money and awareness to help vulnerable students in School District 68, which historically has a high child poverty rate. While the original purpose was to raise funds for scholarships and bursaries, the foundation's mission has expanded over the years to helping provide meals, school supplies, clothing, gym shoes, school fees, and other basic needs of students living in poverty.

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