



9ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

"Your Community School"

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PARENT NEWSLETTER #16

May 18, 2018

****Kindergarten Registration began January 22, 2018****

EES Important Dates for Your Calendar	
May 18	Professional Development Day – Students not in attendance
May 21	Victoria Day – Students not in attendance
May 22	Volunteer Tea- In Library 12:30-2:00pm please RSVP
May 25	PAC Pizza Day – order online
June 14	District Track Meet
June 28	Final School Day for School Year 2017/2018- Students dismissed at 11:00am

MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATORS

Spring is definitely upon us and we are loving the sunny weather at EES! With the sunny weather, many students have been wearing sandals and flip flops to school. Please make sure that if your child is wearing flip flops to school that they also have a pair of runners for gym as it is not safe for students to run in flip flops. With the warmer weather, we are also encouraging students to bring water bottles to school to stay hydrated.

The lost and found at our school is beginning to over flow again. All items will be donated by May 25th if students have not come to claim their clothing. We will also take anything remaining in lost and found before the end of the school year on June 26th. Please take a moment to come and see if you are able to find any missing clothing.

Have fun in the sun!

AFTER SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS

Please make all after school arrangements before school starts. The office has had an influx of calls and it is very difficult to get these messages to students at times. Thank you in advance for supporting us with this issue

VISITORS TO EES

Guests and community partners to EES include such people as retired individuals, parents, student teachers, work experience students, district personnel as well as members of our college/universities. For each visit, please follow this routine: 1. Check in at the office – sign the sign-in sheet and be sure to include all information (this is helpful in the event of such emergencies as earthquakes and fires or for important phone messages). 2. Ask Mrs. Martini or Ms. Webb for a visitor tag which will identify you as someone who belongs in our school. 3. When your visit is complete, please return your tag, and sign out on the sign-in sheet (again, during emergencies this is very helpful). Thank you for your support in making your visit safe and successful.

REMINDER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

For safety purposes, we need to know where every child is during the school day, therefore please make sure you sign out your child at the school office when leaving the school before the end of the day. Also, the school office must be advised by the parent/guardian if your child is not attending school. Please phone 250-248-8446 and speak with the secretary or leave a message on the answering machine.

STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent or late, please call the school line 250-248-8446 to report the length of time and reason. We thank you and greatly appreciate your diligence in this matter.

LOST AND FOUND



Our lost and found bin is located in our foyer and is full. We invite you take a minute to search it if your son or daughter is missing a garment.

NEWS FROM YOUR PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

Check out our PAC Facebook Page at **EES PAC**, Website at www.erringtonpac.wordpress.com or email at erringtonelementarypac@gmail.com

We are always looking for volunteers to help out, if you are able to help out in any capacity please contact PAC either on our PAC Facebook page or erringtonelementarypac@gmail.com – Thank you in advance.

New Executive for 2018-2019 School Year

Chair: Laura James

Treasurer: Amber Nicol

Secretary: Jodi Pay

DPAC rep: Empty

Date	Fun Lunch	Order Deadline
Friday, May 25, 2018	Panago Pizza	Tuesday, May 22, 2018

PAC Meetings

Friday, June 15th, 12:30 pm, EES Library

We believe Sheila Morrison is attending, so a chance to meet the new principal!

We are also looking for some dedicated volunteers next year to fill these roles

- * organize our PAC FUN Lunches - someone willing to source out lunch options, ensure our options meet the district's food guidelines and manage volunteers the day of
- * volunteers to help out the day of the PAC Fun Lunch
- * volunteer to help keep our website up-to-date
- * volunteers to run the occasional product fundraiser - you'd only have to run 1, not several, and it could be whatever interests you!

FUNDRAISER: Have you ever wanted to try paint night? Well this is your opportunity! Come out to Errington Elementary school and paint outdoors on May 31. Suitable for the beginner and kids (Gr.5 and up). \$25 each. All proceeds support EES PAC. Seating is limited, so sign up early!

<http://www.oceansidepaintparty.com/>

SPORTSCENTRE:

The district **Track and Field day** is **Thursday, June 14th** this year. Due to the very high number of participants last year, the district is limiting participation to students in **grades 4-7**. In the coming weeks we will be practicing the various events in P.E. in preparation for our school races. Students hoping to compete in the district event will need to qualify for true track and field events like the running or jumping competitions. The more "fun" events like the Sac Race and Three Legged Race will be used to fill up qualifying students.



Mr. Avis at mavis@sd69.bc.ca.

Errington Elementary is responsible for the running of the Sac Race again this year. As in years previous, we are looking for **parent volunteers** to help with the running of the event. The event runs from 9:45 to 2:15 so we will be looking for 3 or 4 parents for the **morning shift (9-12)** and 3 or 4 for the **afternoon shift (12-3)**. With 3 or 4 parents in place, our volunteers will be able to sneak out to watch their kids compete and cheer them on. **If you're interested in volunteering, please email**

REMINDER

We have a student at our school who is severely allergic to peanuts. We therefore are a **PEANUT AWARE SCHOOL**. Please consider refraining from sending food items that contain peanuts or peanut butter. We appreciate your support with this request.



NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY

We had wonderful visits by authors and illustrators last week. We welcomed Cale Atkinson, Margriet Ruurs, Qin Leng, Darlene Gait and Barbara Reid to our school and the students had a great time learning and listening to these awe-inspiring artists. We purchased new books for our library which our presenters were very gracious to sign for us. Come and check them out!



We love our school volunteers! And to say thank you for everything you do to support students, staff and learning at EES, we would like to invite you to our Volunteer Tea on Tuesday, May 22nd from 12:30-2:00. Our collaboration classes are thrilled to present "Fairy Tale Mix-up", a short play and a song in the gym at 12:30, then our volunteers are invited into the Library Learning Commons for tea, coffee and dessert. We have more school videos and performances on tap for you while you enjoy your tea. SEATS ARE RESERVED, so please contact the school to reserve your seats. Thank you!

DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIU's Milner Gardens 8th Annual Fairy Houses June 21 to 24, 2018

Do you believe in fairies? Did you know fairies wear Foxglove flowers as hats, gloves, and petticoats? Meander the sun dappled shadows of Milner Gardens on your self-guided search for areas Fairy Houses may have magically appeared, in honour of International Fairy Day and Veronica Milner's belief in fairies. Admission adults \$12, youth \$7, children 12 and under accompanied by an adult, Milner Gardens members, and current VIU students with card enter free. Garden admission is payable to access the Tea Room.

June 21 to 24, 2018, 10am to 5pm (last entry 4:30pm).

Fairy Tea Time: 1pm - 4pm June 21 - 24

Served in the Queen's Room & Milner House patio

Tea & Fairy Treat \$6.50 per person.

Sorry, no Full Afternoon High Tea and reservations when the fairies are in the garden.

Shuttle cart service prioritized for those with mobility challenges. Certified guide dogs only allowed.

For more info 250-752-6153 or <https://www2.viu.ca/MilnerGardens/>

**May 9, 2018**

Registration for summer camps is now open, there's a camp for every age and interest. Pick up your Active Living Guide at Oceanside Place Arena or Ravensong Aquatic Centre or view online.

Drop-in Table Tennis NEW

Table Tennis is now available at Oceanside Place Arena on the Pond. All equipment provided.

Monday-Friday: Apr 16-Sep 28

\$2 child/youth, \$4 adult/senior

Drop-in Pickleball

Drop-in Pickleball returns to Oceanside Place Arena. All equipment provided.

Monday-Friday 9:00-11:00am, Thursday 7:00-9:00pm, Apr 23-Jul 13 \$2 child/youth, \$4 adult/senior

Claytime Creations- Bugs & Butterflies 5-11yrs

Join local pottery artist Anne Marie Veale to learn the skills and creativity of wheel work and hand building. Let's make butterflies, beetles and spiders! Fee includes all supplies and bisque fire. Glazing is offered as a separate class. Tuesdays, May 29 - June 19, 3:00-5:00pm \$92

Pro D Camp

Parents this is your Pro D day solution. Our experienced play leaders will provide a great day off school that is filled with creative art, active games and a swim at Ravensong Aquatic Centre. Dates: Friday, May 18th from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

Location: Qualicum Commons, RDN Activity Room 12. Cost is \$38 per day.

Kids Swim for Fitness

This advanced children's swim program focuses on strength and endurance swimming skills under the guidance of a swim instructor. This is a non-competitive program. Pre-req: SK 6. A one day option is available. T, Th, May 22-Jun 21, 4:00-5:00pm \$90/2 days

Amazing Race in the Parks

Race your way through Englishman River Regional Park by finding special route information cards. You will discover road blocks and detours that will put your team dynamics to the test. Families, teams and individuals welcome. Thursday June 7th from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Cost is \$15. Family/ team rate available.

Babysitters Certification Program

This is the last class until the fall. Register to become a Red Cross certified babysitter.

Sa, June 9, 9:00 am-4:00 pm. \$46.35.

Painting Classes for kids, teens and families

Jenny Hughes will guide you through how to paint a fantastic yet surprisingly simple acrylic painting. No experience necessary. All supplies are provided. View dates and painting projects online.

Twoonie Teen Swim

Fridays at Ravensong Aquatic Centre from 7:00-9:00 pm are reserved for the teens. Admission is now only \$2.

Golden Shoe Hunt

The 12th Annual Golden Shoe Hunt will have you exploring the regional and community parks in electoral areas A to H, to find the hidden shoe. Clues and instructions for the locations of the shoes will be posted weekly to rdn.bc.ca/recreation, RDN Facebook and RDN Twitter till May 18.

School's Out Everyone Welcome Swim

Stay active on your day off from school with a swim at Ravensong Aquatic Centre. The lifeguards will have the inflatable toys out for a splashing good time. Friday, May 18th from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. Reduced rate admission.

Splish Splash Everyone Welcome Swim

Splish splash everyone welcome swims at Ravensong Aquatic Centre are a water adventure you don't want to miss. The lifeguards are going to bring out all the pool toys for you to enjoy. From the rope swing to the snake to the dino ribs there will be water play for everyone. Regular admission. Saturday May 19th and June 30th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Community Park Play Date

Families are invited to come down to the park, join our summer leaders for some games, visit with friends, and celebrate the longest day of the year. Parksville Community Park Picnic shelter, Thursday June 21st from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Free event. Phone RDN, Recreation and Parks at 250-248-3252 or view events online at rdn.bc.ca/recreation.



Spring Track and Field Registration is OPEN for Junior Development , High School and older athletes : age 9 + yrs (born 2009 and older)

For information and online registration go to

oceansidetrackfield.ca

GROWING WILD
SUMMER CAMP

JULY 9 - 13, 2018
8:00AM - 3:00PM
AGES 9-13
\$130 / 5 DAYS

Learn About:

- Cheesemaking
- Wilderness survival
- Fishing
- Games, crafts & more

COOMBS
FAIRGROUNDS
1014 FORD RD.
COOMBS, BC

To Register Contact:
Kim Longmuir at kimlongmuir@telus.net or 250-248-8515
Kristine Stephenson at stephenson@live.ca or 250-927-3985.

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The poster for "Growing Wild Summer Camp" features a light purple background with faint leaf patterns. It includes illustrations of a lantern, an acorn, a compass, and a fly. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical layout, with the camp name and dates at the top, followed by the location and contact information. Logos for ACRA and the Regional District of Nanaimo are at the bottom.

6-11yrs

PRO D CAMP

A day filled with games and swimming

\$38/1

Fri May 18
8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Qualicum Commons
8696



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Register at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

Ravensong Aquatic Centre
737 Jones St, Qualicum Beach
250-752-5014

Oceanside Place Arena
830 W Island Hwy, Parksville
250-248-3252

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QUALICUM BEACH FAMILY DAY FREE SWIM



Ravensong Aquatic
Centre

Sunday, May 27
10:00am-12:00pm

Free Swim
Everyone Welcome
Maximum capacity 160



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PICNIC PACK RENTAL

Be ready for your next family gathering, church picnic or neighborhood block party.



Includes:

- parachute
- tossing games
- sports equipment
- relay items: potato sacks, relay batons, egg/spoons

\$25 per booking:
up to 5 days

\$150 refundable
deposit required

To Book:

call 250-248-3252 or

email

recparks@rdn.bc.ca



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