



## ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**"Your Community School"**

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## PARENT NEWSLETTER #5

November 24, 2017

### EES Important Dates for Your Calendar

Nov 23-28	Saddle up and Read Book Fair in the Library
Nov. 27	Book Fair: 7:45 – 3:00 p.m.
Nov. 28	Book Fair 7:45 – 12:30 p.m.
Dec 6	PAC Sushi Day – order online
Dec 11	Craft Night 5:30 – 8:00
Dec 14	Christmas Concert
Dec 15	PAC Pizza Day – order online
Dec 22	Last Day of classes prior to Winter Vacation
Jan 8	Schools reopen after Winter Vacation

### MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATORS

We have had a lot of rain so far in November! As a school we do our best to have outside days unless it is very rainy outside. Please make sure your son or daughter is dressed appropriately for the weather. We encourage all students to wear boots, a warm coat and to keep a change of clothes in their back packs in case they get wet.

The lost and found at our school is getting very full. Please take a few moments when you're at the school to check to see if there are any missing items that belong to your child. Teachers will be taking each class by the lost and found over the next week. All remaining items will be donated to the SOS by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

### 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. Toda 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.

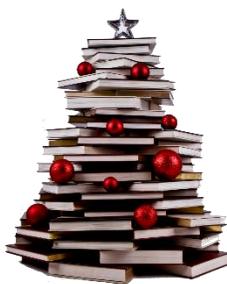
### STUDENT ABSENCES

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.

### POPCORN SALES-

Every Wednesday is **POPCORN DAY!** Popcorn sales are every Wednesday morning before school in the foyer. You can pay for the day, for the month, or till the end of December. Popcorn bags are \$.50 (50 cents) and is delivered to each classroom for little recess.

## NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY



### News From Your Library!

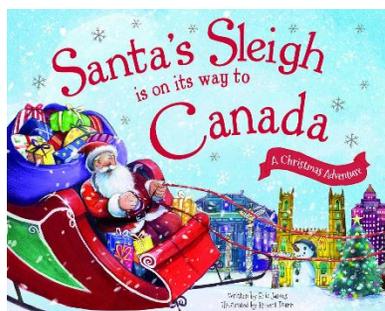
**The Wild West Book Fair is Here!** Tons of great books and gifts for students of all ages. The Book Fair is open Fri. 7:15 – 3:00 and 5:00 – 8:00 (during Family Movie Night), Monday 7:15 - 3:00 and Tuesday 7:15 – 12:30. Book Fair is our main Fundraiser for the year. We appreciate your supporting the library! Thank you to our parent volunteers and library pages for their hard work this week.



**Lost and Overdue Books:** We have quite a few books which are overdue or lost. If you can't find your overdue book, please speak with us about replacing it with a good quality book from home, or paying our cost.

**Donations:** We'll always accept books from home if you would like to donate them to the Library. If we don't put them on the shelf, we'll add to our Take and Trade table, thank you!

If you have any questions about our Library Learning Commons, please speak with us.  
Ms. Richards and Ms. Macrae



### **Errington Elementary School Christmas Concert:**

*"Santa's Sleigh is on Its Way to Errington!"*

Staff and students are proud to present our 2017 Christmas Concert. We will be presenting two performances on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>: 12:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. sharp. There will be a shuttle up and down Fairdowne Road before and after the evening concert. We ask that guests consider carpooling and bringing a flashlight. **Students must be in their classes by 6:30 p.m.** Please bring a non-perishable food item for our local food bank, thank you!

## LOST AND FOUND

Our lost and found bin is located in our foyer and is already filling up. 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](http://www.erringtonpac.wordpress.com) or email at [erringtonelementarypac@gmail.com](mailto:erringtonelementarypac@gmail.com)

PAC FUN Lunch Days will be booked online again this year. At <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Errington/>, there is also a link on the Errington Elementary School Website. If you **absolutely** cannot order online please email us and we will try to work something out. The new "session" is open now for orders.

<b>Friday, November 24, 2017</b>	<b>Pizza Day</b>
<b>Wednesday, December 6, 2017</b>	<b>Sushi Day</b>
<b>Friday, December 15, 2017</b>	<b>Pizza Day</b>

December lunches are due by Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (this is early to accommodate the order dates for Samarai Sushi) We are only accepting cash/cheque ONCE A MONTH. If you are paying online, payment due dates vary by lunch dates. It is usually about 3-5 days before, but depending on the supplier can change. **ORDER ONLY WHAT YOU WANT TO PAY FOR.** Do not order ahead and pay only a portion. The system isn't smart enough to know what you have paid for if you owe money it assumes no lunch dates in your order can be processed. **PAC**



### **Movie Night-** November 24<sup>th</sup>

*Featuring Boss Baby* Doors Open at 5pm and Movie starts at 6pm sharp. There will be concession available, this movie night will coincide with the book fair so come and support our school.

**EES Craft Night-** December 11, 2017 5:30-9pm – Entry by Donation.



Bring the whole family night for an evening of crafts and carols. It is a wonderful community experience and you'll go home with a bag of goodies. There is a concession and a silent auction. Come and join the fun!!



**Magical Nights of Light (6-8pm Fri & Sat Nights Only)**  
December 8 - December 23

A Wild-light Spectacular Event

Fridays & Saturdays only, December 8-23

\$5 suggested donation for adult admission  
Children 12 and under are FREE

- Magical Light Show
- Walk through at your own pace
  - Hot Chocolate
  - Colouring Contest
  - Visit with Santa
  - And more ...!

***VIU's Milner Gardens Christmas Magic***

Dec 1 to 3, 8 to 10 and 15 to 20, 2017  
5pm to 8:30pm, recommended last entry by 8pm

2179 West Island Highway, Qualicum Beach, BC  
250-752-6153

<https://www2.viu.ca/milnergardens/events.asp>



Outdoor Christmas light show for the whole family to enjoy.

Over half a kilometre of lit and decorated trails.

Santa, live Christmas music, Teddy Bear Cottage, VIU Baking Students Gingerbread Houses, Storytelling, Refreshments, Tea Room, and Gift Shops. Raffle tickets in support of Milner's Shoots with Roots children's program.

Onsite shuttle for mobility challenged.

We suggest you bring a flashlight. Sorry, we are unable to take reservations for the tea room and Full Afternoon High Tea is not available during Christmas season.

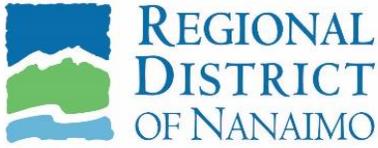
All entry donations help support the garden.

Suggested donation: \$5/adult, \$2.50/child, \$12.00/family (2 adults and up to 3 children/youths under 19 yrs). Members and current VIU students with card enter free.

## **DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Oceanside Public Health Dept.**

Influenza season is approaching! Oceanside Public Health is extending an invitation to families with eligible children to attend one of our family flu clinics throughout November and December. Please call Oceanside Public Health Services at 250-947-8242 if you would like to book a family flu appointment. Information regarding eligibility for publically funded vaccine can be found at: <http://www.viha.ca/flu/>



### **Information at [rdn.bc.ca/recreation](http://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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### **November 7, 2017**

This winter RDN Recreation and Parks has drop-in gym, swim and skates in addition to registered programs and events to offer. Check it out at [rdn.bc.ca/recreation](http://rdn.bc.ca/recreation)

#### **Give the gift of recreation**

Gift certificates and active passes are available at Oceanside Place Arena in Parksville and Ravensong Aquatic Center in Qualicum Beach. Gift certificates can be used to purchase passes, lessons, programs, camps and more. Keep everyone on your list healthy and happy all year round.

#### **Drop-in Gym Plus**

Pick up an Active Pass and come to the after school drop in activities:

Craig Street Commons- Drop in Gym and Lego Time Mondays from 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Qualicum Commons- Drop in Gym Wednesdays from 3:00 to 4:45 pm

Craig Street Commons- Drop in Gym and Craft Room Thursdays from 3:00 to 5:00 pm

#### **Monday Reduced Rate Skate**

Oceanside Place Arena is the place to be on Mondays after school for the NEW Reduced Rate Skate from 3:00 to 5:00 pm, starting Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Hockey enthusiasts – the far end of the ice will be set up for pond hockey, bring your helmet and a stick. \$2 child or student, \$4 adult

#### **Saturday Breakfast Club**

Enjoy a parent and tot exploration and a Mother Goose circle time at Munchkinland, Family Place in Parksville. Join us for songs, stories and breakfast. Saturdays, October 14<sup>th</sup> to December 9<sup>th</sup>, except November 11<sup>th</sup>. 9:30 to 11:30 am. This is a free program suitable for families with children 6 years and younger.

#### **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, and active games. Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm at Qualicum Commons, RDN Activity Room 12. Cost is \$38.

#### **Claytime Creations 5-11 years**

Join local pottery artist Anne Marie Veal to learn clay skills. Each month has a theme. Classes are on Tuesdays at Qualicum Commons from 3:00-5:00 pm. Full details online.

#### **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. Cost is \$30 per painting workshop and \$35 per paint a tote workshop.

#### **Archery 10-15 years**

Jump in the RDN van and let's head to the Nanoose archery range to learn to shoot a bow and arrow. Transportation provided to and from Oceanside Place arena each week. Mondays, January 8<sup>th</sup> to January 29<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm. Cost is \$75.00 for 4 sessions.

#### **Basketball 8-11 years**

Join us on the court to practice dribbling, passing and shooting. Your skills will improve each week through drills and games. Enjoy good sportsmanship while shooting hoops with your friends. Qualicum Commons, Wednesdays January 10-February 28 from 3:30-4:45 pm \$23.50

### **Events**

#### **School's Out Everyone Welcome Skate**

School is out but skating is in at Oceanside Place Arena on Monday November 13 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm. Regular admission.

**Coastal Community Credit Union, Parksville Branch, Sponsored Skate**

Join your friends for a free everyone welcome skate, courtesy of the Parksville Branch of Coastal Community Credit Union at Oceanside Place Arena. Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. Free admission and skate rentals. Phone RDN, Recreation and Parks 250-248-3252 or view skate and swim schedules online at [rdn.bc.ca/recreation](http://rdn.bc.ca/recreation).

**Disco Light Skate for all ages**

Catch dance fever under the disco lights at Oceanside Place Arena. The flashing lights and pumping music will take you back in time on Saturday November 25<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Regular admission.

**Dad's Night Out Free Skate**

A free skate night on the Pond at Oceanside Place Arena for dads and their kids to enjoy, courtesy of Building, Learning, Together Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Free admission and skate rentals.

**Canada 150 Free Skating Day**

Let's glide into winter with two free skate sessions on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at Oceanside Place Arena. The Parksville Lion's and Save on Foods Free Family skate from 12:15-1:45 pm and Everyone Welcome Free Skate from 2:00-3:30 pm. Check #8, Skating, off your ParticipACTION 150 Playlist and celebrate Canada 150 with your friends.

10-15YRS

ARCHERY

Can you hit the bull's eye?



Mondays \$75

Jan 8-29, 2018

3:30-6:00 pm

Includes admission, 4 lessons, supervision, and transportation to and from Oceanside Place arena



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BASKETBALL

Join us on the court.

8-11 yrs

3:30-4:45 pm \$23.50/1

Qualicum Commons

Wed Jan 10-Feb 28





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# PAINT CLASSES

Family Paint,  
Jan 11, 5:45-7:15pm, \$30



7-10yrs,  
Jan 18, 5:45-7:15pm, \$30

10-13 yrs,  
Jan 25, 5:45-7:15pm, \$30



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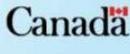


CANADA 150  
SKATING DAY

**LET'S GLIDE  
INTO WINTER  
BY SKATING**

**ON DECEMBER 10!**





Scratch #8- Skating off your Canada 150 Playlist. Family Skate 12:15-1:45pm

Everyone Welcome 2:00-3:30pm FREE admission and skate rentals



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**WINTER WONDERLAND ON ICE TEEN SKATE**

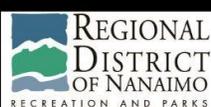
13-18 yrs



**Oceanside Place  
Arena**

Tuesday Dec 19  
7:00-8:30pm

**Free admission  
and skate rentals**



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# Caring for Community at Christmas

## Registration



SOS Caring for Community at Christmas is funded by community donations and is offered to low income residents of District 69.

To take part in this program, please **register in person** at:

**SOS Community Services Centre**  
245 West Hirst Avenue, Parksville  
November 14 to December 8, 2017

**Monday - Friday from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm**

**Evening registrations** are available by appointment for low income families and individuals who work during the day. Please call to book an evening registration appointment on one of the following days:

**Tuesday, Nov. 21 and Thursday, Nov. 23 from 5 to 7 pm.**

When you register remember to bring:

- Photo ID for each adult (19 yrs +)
- Proof of residency
- Care Cards for minor children

250.248.2093 ext. 229 | [coordinator@sosd69.com](mailto:coordinator@sosd69.com) | [www.sosd69.com](http://www.sosd69.com)

# Caring for Community at Christmas

## Outreach Registration



SOS Caring for Community at Christmas is funded by community donations and is offered to low income residents of District 69.

Registrations will be accepted at these outreach locations:

**SOS Community Services Centre in Qualicum Beach**

744 Primrose St. at Qualicum Commons

**Wed. Nov. 15, Nov. 22, Nov.29 or Dec.6, 2017**  
between 2 pm - 4 pm.

**Lighthouse Community Centre**

240 Lions Way **Wed. Dec. 6** between 10 am - 1 pm.

**When you register, remember to bring:**

- Photo ID for each adult (19 yrs +)
- Proof of residency
- Care Cards for minor children

SOS Community Services Centre in Parksville is accepting registrations in-person from Nov. 14-Dec.8, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

★ Toy and grocery store gift card distribution will take place Dec. 14-22 at SOS in Parksville.

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