



ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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February 1, 2019

Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that we are at the half-way point of the school year! Routines are well established and work can become challenging as students move along the learning continuums and expectations are increased. On Monday next week, your child will receive a "Learning Update" (otherwise known as Report Cards). You will notice language that reflects your child's growth along learning continuums and will likely describe how much support your child requires for certain activities: direct support, guided support, or independence. The article below suggests some strategies to help your child become more independent, especially when they face increased challenges.

Are you teaching your child how to be resilient?

All students face obstacles. Encouraging resilience helps kids overcome them. Resilient students deal with challenges in positive ways – at home and at school. Answer yes or no to the questions below to see if you are helping your child develop resilience:

1. **Do you give** your child opportunities to make decisions? It's a skill that improves with practice.
2. **Do you talk** to your child about how you find a solution when you are faced with a problem?
3. **Do you talk** to your child about her strengths? Children draw on their strengths when facing challenges.
4. **Do you remind** your child when she's struggling how she has handled tough situations in the past?
5. **Do you listen** to your child when she is trying to make a decision without solving the problem for her?

How well are you doing? Mostly yes answers mean you are helping your child become more resilient. For no answers, try those ideas from the quiz.

Source: *Elementary School Parents* (February 2016, Vol.27, No.6)



Peace, Love, Friendship...

Valentine's Day!

Wear red, white and/or pink **Thursday, February 14th**!

Non-Instructional Days

Please remember that we have 2 days coming up later this month where students are not in session. Monday, February 18th is BC Family Day and Tuesday, February 19th is a Professional Development Day.





Kindergarten registration is ongoing!

Please stop by the office or contact us at (250) 248-8446 if you have any questions regarding the upcoming Kindergarten registration requirements.

All new students must register at their catchment area school. Information for those students wishing to attend a school outside their catchment area is outlined below.

If you know of any families who will need to be aware of this information, we ask you to please pass this along to them.



Learning Updates

On Monday, February 4th, your child will receive a "Learning Update" (otherwise known as Report Cards). As we have outlined in previous newsletters, we are in the midst of a significant transformation in public education in BC – not only with the redesigned curriculum, but also in the ways we communicate student learning.

The Ministry of Education has provided school districts with the flexibility to determine how this communication of student learning will take place. This year, teachers in School District 69 are participating in a pilot project with the Ministry of Education to develop a new "report card". You will be receiving a new locally developed "Learning Update" that accompanies a portfolio.

Teachers take great pride in their work with their students and will continue to connect with you in a variety of ways throughout the year – through class newsletters, student planners and home folders, phone calls, emails, portfolios (electronic or paper), informal conversations, and the parent/teacher conference opportunities during the year.

We encourage you to establish an ongoing mode of communication with your child's teacher so that you can understand where your child is at with various aspects of their learning, what challenges he/she is facing, and where to go next with learning. We appreciate your support as we continue to work through this important transition year.

Communicable Infections

We monitor student attendance closely and during this time of year, illness is common. We would like to remind you that if your child shows signs of a communicable infection, it needs to be diagnosed and treated by a medical provider. Please contact us at the school if your child has a communicable infection so that we can work with you on determining if and how long your child needs to be absent from school. We use a guide provided by Island Health to help us prevent the spread of common childhood illnesses. When calling in your child's absence, we also appreciate knowing what kind of illness is causing them to be away. We track patterns and are required to report to Island Health if there is an unusual number of absences due to illness.



**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 69 (QUALICUM)
2019-20 KINDERGARTEN" AND "PROGRAMS OF CHOICE" INFORMATION**

**REGISTRATION:
MONDAY, JANUARY 21 – FRIDAY, JANUARY 25; and
MONDAY, JANUARY 28 – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2019
9:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

Board Policy 7015 Excerpt: "The Board of Education believes that, in general, students should attend their neighborhood school. Transfer of a student to a school outside of his/her catchment area will be considered upon written application of the parent to the Superintendent of Schools"

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Qualifying Age: To qualify for school enrollment in September 2019, a child must become five years of age on or before December 31, 2019.

Required Documentation: Proof of Age for student (Birth Certificate or Passport); Proof of Residency (see SD69 website for list of acceptable documentation or contact catchment area school: <http://www.sd69.bc.ca/About/StudentRegistration/Pages/default.aspx>)

Where to Register: Please register at your neighbourhood (catchment) elementary school. Attendance boundary information is available at each school or by contacting the School Board Office at 250-248-4241.

CROSS BOUNDARY INFORMATION

Cross Boundary Process: Parents wishing to enroll their Kindergarten child at an out-of catchment school within the district are to **make their request upon registration** and complete an "Application for Cross-boundary Enrollment for Following School Year" Form. All "Application for Cross-boundary Enrollment for Following School Year" forms must be submitted during the months of February and March (first Monday in February to last Friday in March – prior to Spring Break). **Early applications will not be accepted.**



PROGRAMS OF CHOICE

School District 69 (Qualicum) is proud to offer a range of Programs of Choice that provide unique and innovative learning opportunities for our diverse student population.

Programs of Choice are staffed consistent with the district's overarching methodology and philosophy regarding financial prudence. For these reasons, Programs of Choice classrooms are often (like regular classrooms) organized into combined grade configurations. All program options either align with or support the B.C. curriculum and help provide a pathway towards Grade 12 graduation.

The Board of Education is committed to Programs of Choice placement sustainability to the best extent possible, but must balance this commitment with emergent building capacity pressures, and the importance of students being able to attend their neighbourhood school. All Programs of Choice are reviewed annually as part of the budget process. Programs of Choice typically generate much interest and are continued each year, however they can be subject to cancellation due to enrollment and budgetary considerations. Please note that space in these programs is limited.

Please see the following link for further information regarding District Programs of Choice:
<http://www.sd69.bc.ca/Programs/Education%20Programs/Pages/default.aspx>

INFORMATION SESSIONS OFFERED

CEAP Program The Collaborative Education Alternative Program provides a blended-learning kindergarten program that consists of home-schooling in addition to being supported by scheduled student activities at Qualicum Commons – CEAP classroom. Learning resources as well as support for parent(s) is provided by the program teacher.

An information session for parents considering the CEAP Kindergarten program will be held Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the CEAP classroom at Qualicum Commons, 744 Primrose Street, Qualicum Beach. For more information, please contact the program at 250-752-5628 or visit the CEAP website at www.ceap.ca

French Immersion French Immersion is intended to develop fluency in French learning to functional bilingualism. Students study in French while following the regular BC Curriculum Learning Standards. The French Immersion Program for Grades K – 7 is located at Oceanside Elementary School. The French Immersion Program for Grades 8 – 12 is located at Ballenas Secondary School. Please apply at appropriate school.

NOTE: An information session for parents considering the Early Immersion Kindergarten program will be held Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Oceanside Elementary School, 980 Wright Road, Parksville. For more information, please contact Oceanside Elementary School at 250-248-4662.

Student selection for the Early French Immersion program will be held by lottery. Parents will be notified regarding the lottery outcome by the end of February.



Snow

With snow still in the forecast, we wanted to send out a reminder about our expectations around sledding. If we have a significant amount of snow accumulate, we will allow students to slide down the hill to the field. We only allow this during recess and lunch breaks (not before or after school) and we only allow students to slide down on a sliding device and they must be wearing snow clothes (waterproof pants and coat, boots, gloves, etc.)! Our expectation is that snow has to cover the ground completely (no grass showing) in order to slide. We will set up a coned area for the students to slide down and expect them to wait until previous sliders have exited the area before sliding. We ask students to walk back up the hill on either side of the coned off area.

We do allow students to bring items to slide on, but please note that they are not stored inside the school. Teachers will be asking students to leave their sliding devices on the walkway outside the classroom during instructional time. Please make sure your child's sled is labelled clearly with their name!

Please also take caution and drive slowly in our new parking area. There is a slight incline and we haven't had it open long enough to know where the slippery spots will be.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Basketball Competition

**FREE THROW
CHAMPIONSHIP**



Selected students aged 9-12 will be competing in the annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Basketball Competition tomorrow (Saturday, February 2nd) at Springwood Elementary School, starting at 11:00am. We encourage you to come out and support our Errington Wildcats at this event!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR GRADE 7 FAMILIES

We are in the process of planning for the transitions of our Grade 7's from Elementary to Secondary school.

Kwalikum Secondary School (KSS) and Ballenas Secondary School (BSS) will be hosting open houses and information evenings for students and parents soon. See information below.

KSS and BSS staff will be visiting Errington Elementary school soon to meet with our grade 7 students and provide them with course packages and answer questions the students may have.

Ballenas Secondary
Building Successful Students



BSS Open House, District Programs Fair and Grade 8 Orientation — Tuesday February 12, 6:30 — 8:00 p.m.

All parents and student who plan to attend Ballenas in the 2019/2020 School Year are invited to the annual Open House. All Ballenas programs and departments will be on display along with the District Program Fair.

In addition, next year's grade 8 parents and students are invited to attend a special information session at 6:30 p.m. in the Auditorium.



Phone: 250-248-5721
Web: <http://www.sd69.bc.ca/school/BSS/Pages/default.aspx>

KSS Course Offerings District Programs

- ROAMS
- VISSP
- Hockey
- Golf
- HeadStart
- Dual Credit Opportunities VIU/NIC

KWALIKUM SECONDARY

School/Community Service Programs

- KSS Leadership
- QB Honours Society
- Rotary Interact Club and Exchanges
 - KSS GSA
 - QB Fire Camp

School Travel Opportunities

- Europe
- Japan

Grade 7 Parent/Student Information Session



February 13, 2019

6:30—7:00PM

Grade 7 students/parents meet in the KSS gymnasium for information about transitioning to Grade 8.

7:00—8:00 PM

Spend this time getting to know KSS and participate in our Open House to see what programs/courses we offer.

Power Outages and Extreme Weather – What do we do when the power goes off at EES?

If the power is off for a portion of the day, school will most often continue as usual. We follow a “power outage protocol” and we keep in touch with BC Hydro to determine the expected length of the power outage. Any decisions to close the schools are made by the Superintendent of Schools, along with the Manager of Operations. Factors taken into consideration include the time of day, predicted length of power outage, and conditions surrounding the school area (i.e. power lines and/or trees down, adverse weather conditions, etc.)

When students are sent home due to a power outage or extreme weather event, it is carried out as follows: parents or the emergency contact identified by the parent is contacted (we have designated staff who contact parents). If parents or the emergency contact cannot be contacted students remain safe at school until the end of the regular day or until alternate arrangements can be made.

Students are not released from school without the parent or emergency alternate being contacted first. We do not permit students to go with friends or neighbors, etc, unless permission is obtained from the parent. This is a good time to remind parents to make sure they have listed a few different names as designated pick-up people. These could include family members, neighbours, or fellow parents. Please note we only have a few phone lines and it is a lengthy process to phone all parents. During a power outage we also have limited cell phone reception in the school. When possible, we will also use our electronic newsletter email group, the EES and SD69 websites, and the EES PAC Facebook group to communicate information to families.

We ask parents to please refrain from calling the school during such circumstances as described above unless it is an emergency; this will help free up our phone lines and staff who are contacting parents. When students are picked up from school early, it is extremely important to use the sign-out system in the office before leaving the building so we can keep track of student attendance. When we expect a number of people picking up students at once, we move the sign-out system to the main foyer. Those arriving to pick-up children sign-out and we have designated staff to go and get the students from their classrooms.

Valentine's Dance

Hello everyone! Catherine and Aleiya here, we have an amazing event planned for the grade 6/7s! On February 15th, from 3:00pm till 5:00pm we will be hosting a grade 6/7 Valentine's Day dance. The main theme is “A Night in Paris.” There will be refreshments, including punch and snacks! There will be a dance floor and a photo booth so you can take pictures with your friends! Tickets will be on sale for \$2 each from February 2nd to the afternoon of the dance. Please note that students need to arrange for a ride to and from the dance. Students will not be permitted to stay after school that day.



Donate Your Book Credit to EES Library!

Cozy Corner Books in Coombs has a great offer for us. You can bring in your books to Cozy Corner and donate all or part of your book credit to our school. Cozy Corner has about 60,000 books - you're sure to find something you love, too. They sell their books at half off cover, and give credit for 25%. That means for every \$10 book, you could donate your \$2.50 credit to EES. It all adds up, and puts great books in the hands of our students! Thank you very much to Sean Wallington and Lorien Hammond for this great support of our Library.

Find Cozy Corner at Coombs Emporium, 2300 Alberni Hwy, Coombs, phone 250-586-0222.



NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY

TAKING CARE OF OUR LIBRARY BOOKS: We ask that students return their library books promptly as many have students waiting to read them. Using a bag for library books helps keep books safe from damage in backpacks. Having a special place at home for library books is helpful for keeping them from getting lost! Any books that are lost may be replaced with a good quality book of similar genre. Please speak with Ms. Macrae or Ms. Richards.

SERIOUSLY AWESOME SERIES BOOK DRAW:



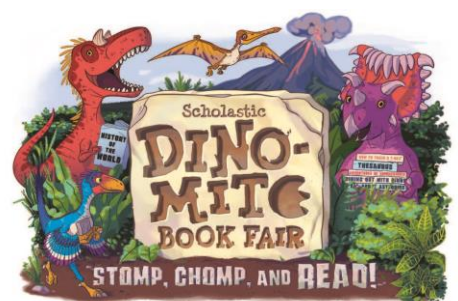
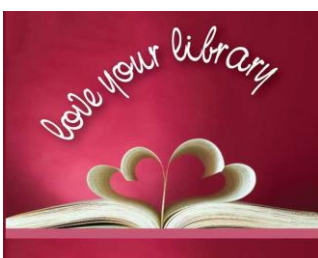
Our popular book draw is back in February and will run from February 4 to March 8. Students who check out a book in a series, can read it, and return it with an entry form to the draw. You can enter as many times as you wish, but must read the book! There are a ton of great fiction and non-fiction series in our Library, check them out! We will choose one winner per classroom, so make sure you enter to win!

LEADERSHIP LUNCH: We are inviting all students in our school who have performed a leadership role this year to join us in the Library for Pizza and fun on Wednesday, January 30th from 11:45-12:15. This is our way of saying thank you to the amazing student leaders who work every day in our school helping things run smoothly. Invitations will go out next week.

LEADERSHIP SHIFT CHANGE: On February 1st, our Term 2 schedule comes into effect with library pages moving into other leadership roles in our school. We also have two new student leadership positions starting. Rusty and Samara are Field Coaches who will be offering organized games on the field this spring.

SPRING BOOK FAIR: The Dino-Mite Book Fair is coming to EES Library from April 3-10th! Library Pages will set up the fair on Wednesday, we'll have classroom previews on Thursday, and then the Fair will be open daily from 8am-3pm Friday and Monday and from 8am-12:30 on Tuesday.

TAKE AND TRADE TABLE: We're always looking for great books to put on our table for students to take home.



Reporting Student Absents

When reporting your child's absence, please call the office at 250-248-8446 (after hours you can leave a message on our answering service – just listen for the option to report a student absence in the directory). It is important to let the office know if your child will be late or not attending school for the day(s) so your child is accounted for. It only takes a minute. If your child is not at school or late you can expect to receive a call to your main number. Thank you in advance for reporting early!

NEW WAY TO PAY

This year our district has made it possible to pay for any school fees online. If your student's classroom teacher has requested to use agendas, a sheet with detailed instructions on how to sign up for School Cash Online has come home. If your student's teacher is not using agendas this year a detail sheet will come home shortly. On our Errington Website there is a direct link to www.schoolcashionline.com, it is quite easy to sign up. Once signed up you will receive email notifications if there is a fee associated with your student. You are still able to pay for any school fees with cash or cheque, but we are offering the option to pay online.

As always if you need any help navigating this system please feel free to call the office and they will be happy to help you.

Headlice



It's that time of year – headlice is back in town! A reminder to parents to start checking your child(ren)'s head and let's be preventative. If in need, the school does have lice combs and pamphlets describing the recommended treatment – just ask at the office.

Information is posted on our website, in the General Information section and included in this newsletter.

EES PAC NEWS

EES Parent Advisory Council

CONNECT WITH PAC: NEXT MEETING WED FEB 13 * 8:30 AM * ROOM 9

www.erringtonpac.wordpress.com ~ www.facebook.com/groups/eespac

PAC FUN LUNCHES

LUNCH DATE	MENU	ORDER DEADLINE
Wednesday, Feb. 6th	Subway	Friday, Feb 1st
Friday, Feb. 22nd	Panago Pizza	Tuesday, Feb. 19th
Friday, Mar. 15th	Panago Pizza	Tuesday, Mar. 12th

All orders are placed online at:

<https://munchalunch.com/schools/Errington/>

Information about PAC Fun Lunches on our PAC website at:

<https://erringtonpac.wordpress.com/fundraisers/pac-fun-lunches/>.

If you are unable to place an online order, please contact us to make other

Arrangements: erringtonelementarypac@gmail.com

NO LUNCH WILL BE ORDERED IF PAYMENT HAS NOT BEEN MADE.

It is your responsibility to manage payment deadlines and ordering for your child. If you're paying cash/cheque please ensure payment is in the PAC Box in the office by 2 pm on the Order Deadline. If paying online, payment is open until midnight.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



West Coast Seeds

The PAC has partnered with West Coast Seeds and will be offering an opportunity to stock up on your summer garden seeds while supporting EES PAC! The campaign will run Jan 28th until Feb 15th. Check your child's backpack for a paper order form next week.



Projects we offer:
 Horse
 Rabbit/Cavy
 Beef
 Poultry
 Sheep
 Photography
 Dog
 Honey Bee
 Woolcraft and more . . .

4-H

2019

REGISTRATION

OPEN

FOR CHILDREN

AND YOUTH

AGES 6 - 21

Parksville
 Qualicum Beach



CANADA
 4-H British Columbia

**Learn To Do
 By Doing**



WHAT IS 4-H?

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT 4-H PROGRAMS?

GO TO: 4-H-canada.ca

4-H offers children & youth:

Fun and Friendship | High School Credits | Animal Husbandry
 Hobby and Life Skill Development | Leadership Development
 4-H Camps, Scholarships | Travel Opportunities
 4-H Country Fairs | Judging Rallies and more...



For more information contact: Denise Whitson • 250-752-9086 | mvalley@uniserve.com

Dad's Night Out: Free Skate Night



Free admission and skate rentals courtesy of
Building Learning Together

Oceanside Place Arena
Tuesdays, 6:45-7:45pm

Nov 6, Dec 4,
Jan 8, Feb 5, Mar 5

Take part in more
BLT Dad's Night Out Events:
Nov 20, Errington Elem
Dec 11, Family Place
Munchkinland



Information at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

Ravensong Aquatic Centre
737 Jones St, Qualicum Beach
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Oceanside Place Arena
830 W Island Hwy, Parksville
250-248-3252

Find us on



FREE SKATE LESSONS FOR YOUTH 13-18 YRS

Join your friends, learn to skate!

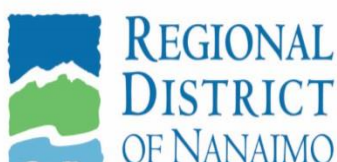
Mon, Oct 1-Oct 29 4:00-5:00pm

Mon, Nov 5-Dec 3 4:00-5:00pm

Mon, Jan 14-Feb 4 4:00-5:00pm

Mon, Feb 25-Mar 11 4:00-5:00pm

FREE but you must register as space is
limited. 13-18yrs



Register at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

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Find us on



17th Annual Qualicum Beach Seedy Saturday (2019)

Theme: "Seeding the Future"

When: Saturday, February 2, 2019 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Seedy Saturday Events, Activities & Speakers

Where: Qualicum Beach Civic Centre, 747 Jones St, Qualicum Beach, BC

Seed Swap: Lions Room Speakers: Windsor Room

Speakers: 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Carolyn Herriot

Topic: 'Eco-Nutrition - The Future of Food'

12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Larry Church

Topic: 'Mason Bees Through the Seasons'

Other Activities: 70+ Participants, Seed Swap, Master Gardeners, Seedy Cafe, Milner Garden's 'Shoots with Roots' children's program, Door Prizes & Raffle

Raffle Prizes: (BC Gaming Licence # 111502) *** Only 1000 Tickets at \$2.00 each ***

1st: Glass Art Piece by Ted Jolda valued at \$200

2nd: QF Gift Certificate valued at \$200

3rd: Rain Barrel donated by Dolly's Home Hardware valued at \$120

4th: Lee Valley Gift Certificate valued at \$100

Cost: Admission by Donation

Other: Town of Qualicum Beach truck in parking lot to collect pesticides/herbicides

Contact: Murray Chantler, Publicity Coordinator 250 248-7712

Email: publicity@qbseedysaturday.ca

Website: www.qbseedysaturday.ca



Information at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

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January 14, 2018

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

Spring break camps and swim/skate schedules will be available Friday, February 1. View online at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

Drop-in Gym is open until March 14.

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

Craig Street Commons- Mondays and Thursdays from 3:00 to 5:00 pm

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

Claytime Creations 5-11yrs

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.

Family Paint 5yrs+

Let's create art and memories together. Family members will take part in painting their own canvas with the guidance of our experienced art instructor. Friday, January 25th from 4:00 to 5:30 pm at Oceanside Art Studio, cost is \$30.

Canvas Art for Kids and Teens

Jenny Hughes will guide you through how to paint a fantastic yet surprisingly simple acrylic painting. No experience necessary. All supplies are provided. Feb 21 or Mar 7, Thursdays, 4:00 to 5:30 pm at Oceanside Art Studio in Qualicum Beach. View dates and painting projects online. Cost is \$20 per painting workshop.

Babysitters Certification Program 11-15yrs

Become a Red Cross certified babysitter. Sunday, Mar 10 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at Qualicum Commons. Cost is \$48.

Events

Splish Splash Everyone Welcome Swim

Splish splash everyone welcome swims at Ravensong Aquatic Centre are a water adventure you don't want to miss. Saturday, January 5th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Regular admission.

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 January 19th from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Regular admission.

Royal Tea Party and Skate

Bring out your inner royal and come skating at Oceanside Place Arena on Saturday January 26th from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. Make a craft and participate in a tea party. Prince and princess or other royal costumes welcome. Regular 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 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. Saturday, February 16th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Regular admission.

BC Provincial Family Day Swim and Skate events

Both Ravensong Aquatic Centre and Oceanside Place Arena are open to celebrate BC Provincial Family Day on Monday February 18th. Free admission to both of these events is courtesy of CUPE 401, Canadian Union of Public Employees.

Free Family Swim from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Free Family Skate from 1:00 to 4:00 pm

School's Out Everyone Welcome Skate or Swim

Stay active on Tuesday, February 19 with a swim at Ravensong Aquatic Centre or skate at Oceanside Place Arena. Everyone Welcome Swim is 1:00 to 2:30 pm. Everyone Welcome Skate is 1:45 to 3:15 pm. Reduced rate admission.

Oceanside Minor SOFTBALL 2019 registration is now open.
Don't miss out on the early bird discount.
*Early bird discount of \$20 will apply until
March 5, 2019.

To register: www.oceansidesoftball.ca

A photograph of a clipboard with a silver clip at the top, resting on a green grassy field. A baseball is positioned to the right of the clipboard. The clipboard has a yellow sheet of lined paper with the following text:

**OCEANSIDE MINOR
BASEBALL
REGISTRATION 2019**

REGISTER ON-LINE AT

www.oceansidebaseball.ca

Any question, contact the registrar,
angela@oceansidebaseball.ca

Want to be an umpire?
Contact Will Chambers
will@oceansidebaseball.ca

The baseball is white with red stitching and has the text "OCEANSIDE MINOR BASEBALL REGISTRATION" and "MINOR ASSOCIATION OF THE YEAR" printed on it.

2019 Spring Season Registration Open!

It is that time of the year again...dust off those gloves and get ready to hit the fields! Registration is now open online at www.oceansidebaseball.ca...just click on Register to the left.

Registration closes March 31st. Any registration received later than March 31 will be processed with a \$20.00 fee increase.

So, register now to receive the early bird fees!

A few common questions we receive during registration time...

1. How can I pay if I don't have a credit card or a PayPal account?

Arrangements for payment by cash or cheque can be made by contacting the registrar. **Please note a player's registration is not complete until payment is received in full.**

2. What fields do we play at?

Tadpole, Rookie, and Blastball play at the Qualicum Park on the fields that run on First Ave. and Mosquito, Pee Wee, Bantam, and Midget play at Springwood Park. Field addresses can be found by clicking on the Fields tab to the left.

3. When does the season start and end? What days do they play?

The season begins at the beginning of April and runs through to the end of June. Blastball (for the month of May only) and Rookie are Mondays and Wednesdays at Qualicum.

Tadpole is Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at Qualicum.

Mosquito is Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays at Springwood.

Pee Wee is Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at Springwood.

Bantam weekdays TBA, and Saturdays at Springwood. Away games TBA.

Midget weekdays TBA, and Sundays at Springwood. Away games TBA.

Please note schedules are finalized by the division coordinators and based on field availability.

(Summer seasons for players who make rep teams run through the month of July, with Provincials Championships often on the August long weekend.)

4. Can I register my child for a division that is not their age group by year born?

All players must register in the correct age group. A request can be sent to OMBA to make a move for a player, however each request is reviewed individually, and decisions are based on space in the divisions, the players skill level and whether it is safe to make the switch. Requests must be sent to the board for review and players will be invited to evaluations. All requests are sent to and will require the final approval of BC Minor.

5. I haven't heard from anyone, when will we be contacted?

Coordinators will receive information on player registration over the next couple of months. Usually initial contact with parents will occur by email mid-March to the end of March with information on start dates and evaluation times.

If you have any questions for your child's division coordinator you can contact them directly. Click on the Contacts tab to the left and send them an email.



Free Lacrosse Drop-Ins

OCEANSIDE MINOR LACROSSE PRESENTS:

FREE BOX LACROSSE DROP-IN SESSIONS

Running February 4th, 2019 - February 26th, 2019

TRY BOX LACROSSE, MEET THE COACHES AND PLAYERS, GET REGISTRATION INFORMATION, AND GET IN SOME PRE-SEASON CONDITIONING!

**Mondays: PASS/Woodwinds (old Winchelsea Elementary) school gym (Starts Feb 4th)
6-7pm Peewee (born 2007-2008)
7-8pm Midgets (born 2003-2004)**

**Tuesdays: Springwood Elementary school gym (Starts Feb 5th)
6-7pm Mini Tyke, Tyke, & Novice (born 2009-2014)
7-8pm Bantam (born 2005-2006)**





Parent Support Circle - Coombs

Sometimes you just need a little space to talk with other parents

Parent Support Services offers free, confidential self-help support circle groups that are led by two trained volunteer facilitators.

We believe that every parent is the expert of their own family. Sometimes it just takes a bit of space to hear yourself and the voices of other parents to find your way through.

Parent Support Circles provide a safe, supportive place to share ideas and information with others who are parenting.

Find out more and register for a new group starting soon.

**Tuesday evenings
from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Coombs
email parent@telus.net or
call **250-468-9658**
www.parentsupportbc.ca**



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7th Annual

Coombs



Family Day Celebration

Heritage Demos,
Displays, Crafts
and Games
for "Kids
of All Ages!"

Children's Garden
Railway Train

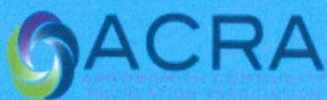
Hamilton Hobby
Farm

Sandbox Treasure
Hunt

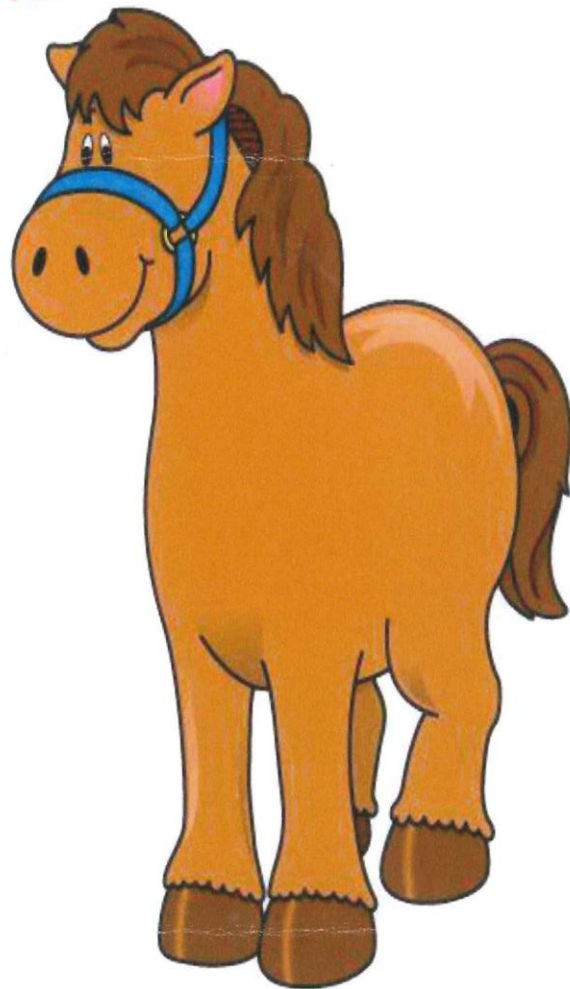
Horse Cookie
Decorating

4-H Demos

Family Photo Booth



Just **horsing** around!



Monday, February 18, 2019

1:00 – 4:00pm

It's all **FREE** at the Coombs Fairgrounds
1014 Ford Road, Coombs
(Turn at the General Store)

FREE hotdogs, popcorn, coffee, and tea
while supplies last.

EES Calendar of Events

February	2	Knights Of Columbus Free Throw Basketball Competition
	4	Report cards go home
	12	Dad's Night Out – RDN/ACRA event at the EES gym (6:30pm-7:30pm)
	13	Kindergarten Vision and Hearing Screening
	14	Red/White/Pink Spirit Day
	18	BC FAMILY DAY
	19	Professional Development Day – No School
	27	Pink Shirt Day
March	7	Grade 6/7 Volleyball Tournament
	15	Idiom Spirit Day
	15	Last day of school before Spring Break
April	1	School Re-opens after Spring Break
	3-9	Scholastic Book Fair
	18	Professional Development Day – No School
	19	GOOD FRIDAY – No School
	22	EASTER MONDAY – No School
	26	Animal Spirit Day
	30	Grade 7 Health and Wellness Fair
May	17	Conferencing Adjustment Day - No School
	21	VICTORIA DAY – No School
	27	Grade 6 Immunizations (Booster Shots)
June	27	Last day of school, ends 3 hours early (11:00)

Please note the above calendar will be updated as new events occur

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Electronic Newsletters

EES newsletters are provided bi-weekly on Fridays. Newsletters are posted to the EES website and parents who have registered will receive a notification email and link when a newsletter has been posted. Most parents use this option and it certainly reduces the amount of paper and time required to prepare newsletters. Subscribing to the electronic newsletter is very simple.

Sign up through the Errington Elementary School website (<http://ees.sd69.bc.ca>) by entering your email address in the area "Sign up for our newsletter & keep in touch" found near the bottom of the home page. After you enter your email and click on "GO" an email will be sent to your email address. **You must respond to the email to become a verified member to receive newsletters.** There is an option to "Unsubscribe" at any time you choose.

If you would prefer to receive a paper copy of the newsletter, please fill out the tear-off below and return to the school as soon as possible. We will only print a paper copy to those who have filled out the tear-off below. Please note that you need to indicate your desire for a paper copy of the newsletter each year. We will keep a few extra copies in the main office for pick-up if necessary.

Parent Name _____ Student Name(s) _____

Student Grade(s) _____ Classroom Teacher(s) _____

I would prefer to receive a paper copy of the EES Newsletter.