

ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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March 1, 2019

Principal's Message

We have certainly had a blast of winter lately and now that the snow is melting away, our thoughts turn to some early signs of spring. Meanwhile, many important learning activities have been taking place. In a newsletter in January, I provided an article suggesting strategies to help your child become more independent. Routines are well established and work can become challenging as students move along the learning continuum and expectations are increased. With this, comes the need for greater independence. We continue our focus on supporting students to become more independent, especially when they face increased challenges and have a tendency to want to "give up". The article below shares some strategies on how to help your child develop the important skill of perseverance, also known as "grit". Researchers say "grit" is key to your child's school success:

What do spelling champions and West Point cadets have in common? It's a quality known as *grit* – the ability to stick with something even when it's hard.

Current research shows that grit is important. People who persist when a task gets challenging are most likely to be successful. To promote grit:

- Teach your child to focus on how good it feels to finish a tough task. "You did your homework. Now you can relax and enjoy yourself."
- **Emphasize starting.** People with grit don't put off unpleasant tasks. So help your child develop the habit of getting started. "You work on homework and I'll clean these drawers. Let's see what we can finish in 15 minutes."
- Stress effort over ability. Tell your child that success requires dedication and effort as much or more than intelligence. Notice every bit of hard work your child does and every small step of progress he makes.

Source: Elementary School Parents (March 2016, Vol.27, No.7)

Mornings at EES

Many of you know that we have a breakfast program where we offer fresh fruit, bagels, and milk to any student who joins us in our foyer in the morning before school starts. The Windy Door Breakfast Café is certainly filling a need at EES. Many students are using this service, which is provided for a variety of reasons. We have noticed a very large crowd of students hanging around the foyer in mornings. Our expectations for those who are using the breakfast program are as follows:

- Place your backpack or bag outside, undercover and out of the way
- Remove hat or hood
- Wash hands
- Remember to say "please" and "thank-you" to our important volunteers
- Enjoy your breakfast while sitting at a table
- When you are finished, throw your garbage away and head outside or to the library

We have been reflecting on this breakfast program and have made a few adjustments to help keep it successful. Stay tuned for a letter coming home next week that will outline the changes.

Students who are not using the breakfast program are required to play outside until the bell rings. We have been opening the library for students who want to come in out of the cold before school starts.

Extra-Curricular Activities

We have had a number of students participating in extra-curricular activities recently who we would like to recognize. Congratulations go to the participants of the District Chess Tournament. Levi D. placed 4th in the Grade 7 division, Eli S. placed 2nd in the Grade 6 division, Tyson N. tied for 1st place in the Grade 5 division (then came in 2nd due to a "head to head" loss), and Tyson G. placed 3rd in the Grade 4 division. Our Grade 6/7 Volleyball Teams have been participating in inter-school games and will go to a district tournament next week to end the season. Both volleyball teams have shown growth and progression in their skills as volleyball players. Well done students!



New Parking Lot Reminders



Thank you to those who are using the new parking lot so effectively! A few reminders:

- Please use your turn signals to indicate your plans (pulling over to the right to the dropoff/pick-up lane or left when you are ready to pull out of that lane).
- Please DO NOT pull over into the walking path lane that enters the drop-off/pick-up area! This lane is reserved for pedestrians. We know it gets congested in this area just before school starts and right after school ends. Please instruct your children to wait near the little hill for you to pull up.
- If you have tried to park in the lower lot and no spaces are available, please park on Fairdowne BUT please do not park right next to the main school driveway to allow the school buses space to turn in and out of the driveway.

Thank you!

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.

Inclement Weather and Clothing

Winter weather on the west coast continues! It is extremely important for students to have appropriate clothing and footwear for outdoor use, along with a pair of inside shoes to change into when inside the building. These shoes are also used for gym use. We expect students to wear warm coats (hoods are a good idea) and we recommend boots, hats, gloves, and umbrellas. In general, students go outside to play



during recess and lunch breaks, even if it is raining or snowing. Each day, we assess the combination of weather, wind, and temperature to determine whether or not it is suitable for the students to play outside. We recommend that students have a spare change of clothing kept at school in case of various emergencies. We have a very limited supply of clothing available.

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.

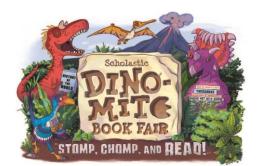
SERIOUSLY AWESOME SERIES BOOK DRAW:



Our popular book draw is now on! It runs until March 8th. 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!

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 <u>www.schoolcashonline.com</u>, 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 <u>online</u>.

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.

<u>Headlice</u>

A CONTRACT

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.

February 2019

EES PAC NEWS

EES Parent Advisory Council

CONNECT WITH PAC: NEXT MEETING MON MAR 11 * 5:30 PM * LIBRARY

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

We are looking to recruit our next PAC Board! The position of **Chair** and **Treasurer** will be open in the 2019/2020 school year. It's a great way to get involved in your school, meet families in the community and be in the know with what's happening at school!

PAC FUN LUNCHES

LUNCH DATE	MENU	ORDER DEADLINE
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.

A NEW LUNCH SESSION BEGINS AFTER THE SPRING BREAK

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



Spring is coming! We will once again be partnering with Veseys Bulbs in April. Check your child's backpack for a catalog after Spring Break. We are also looking into doing a blueberry plant fundraiser too!





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



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Parksville Qualicum Beach



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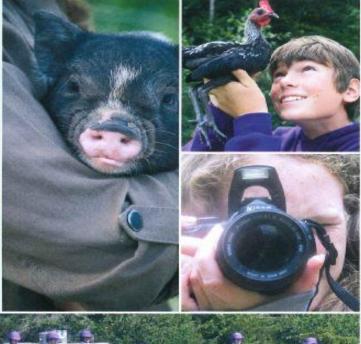
> Learn To Do By Doing



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

Hey Oceanside Youth!

Want a cool summer job?

Like baseball?

Are you 12 years of age or older?

Why not become a baseball umpire! We provide the uniform and all the training!

Our Clinic for ALL new umpires will be: March 9, 2019 - 8:30 AM to 4 PM! Errington Elementary School

Please go to <u>www.bcbua.ca</u> to register.

Go to Clinic registration on left side of page!

SPRING BREAK DROP-IN SWIMS and SKATES and UPCOMING EVENTS

View schedule online for all drop-in swims and skates and event details.

Monday March 18 Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p, 6:30-8:00p

Tuesday March 19 Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p

Wednesday March 20 Everyone Welcome Skate, 4:00-5:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p, 6:30-8:00p

Thursday March 21

Leisure Skate, 11:45a-1:15p Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p

Friday March 22

Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p, 6:30-8:00p

Saturday, March 23

Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 9:00am-12:00pm, 1:30-5:00p & 6:00-8:00pm

Sunday, March 24

Free Family Skate, 12:15-1:45p Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 9:00am-12:00pm, 1:30-5:00p & 6:00-8:00pm

Monday March 25

Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Parent/Child Drop-in Hockey, 6:15-7:45p World Water Day Swim, 1:30-4:00p Everyone Welcome Swim, 6:30-8:00p

Tuesday March 26

Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p

Wednesday March 27

Everyone Welcome Skate, 3:30-5:00p Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p, 6:30-8:00p

Thursday March 28

Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p

Friday March 29

Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-4:00p, 6:30-8:00p

Saturday, March 30

Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 9:00am-12:00pm, 1:30-5:00p & 6:00-8:00pm

Sunday, March 31

Free Family Skate, 12:15-1:45p Everyone Welcome Skate, 2:00-3:30p Everyone Welcome Swim, 1:30-5:00p & 6:00-8:00pm

Celebrate BC Family Day Monday, February 18, 2019



 Free Swim
 Free Skate

 Ravensong Aquatic Centre
 Oceanside Pla

 10:00 am-2:00 pm
 1:00-4:00 pm

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 1:00-4:00 pm

Free admission courtesy of Canadian Union of Public Employees

RDN RECREATION AND PARKS

Spring 2019

Spring Break Camps, programs and events





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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SPRING PROGRAMS

Pro D Camp with skating 6-11yrs

experienced play leaders will provide a great day the action with games, crafts and swimming. Each that is filled with creative art, active games and day is filled with age appropriate activities that skating.

Oceanside Place Arena

Т Feb 19 8:30a-4:00p \$38 9225

Babysitters Certification Program 11-15yrs

Become a Red Cross certified babysitter. This course introduced basic first aid, how to respond to emergency situations, explains baby and child care, offers advice on becoming a responsible babysitter. Price includes manual Spring Break Gymnastics 5-15yrs and certificate.

Qualicum Commons - RDN Activity Room 12 9:00a-4:00p \$48 9233 Su Mar 10

Kids Swim for Fitness 5-14yrs

This is a perfect motivator for those who are now Instructor: Leah Sieben competent swimmers and are looking to work on Qualicum Commons their endurance. This is a non-competitive program. $M_{\rm HF}$ Mar 18-22 Pre-requisite: SK 6. A one day option is available.

Ravensong Aquatic Centre T,Th Feb 19-Mar 14 4:00-5:00p \$74 9627

Claytime Creations for Children 5-11yrs

Join local pottery artist Anne Marie Veale to learn the skills and creativity of wheel work and hand building. This session focusses on making picture tiles of your favourite things.

Qualicum Commons - RDN Activity Room 12 Mar 5-26 3:00-5:00p \$92 9128 Т

Spring Summer Active Living Guide

SPRING BREAK CAMPS

Camp Bigfoot at Spring Break 6-10yrs

Parents this is your Pro D day solution. Our School's out and it's time to get out and play! Join in encourage creativity, participation and enthusiasm from all campers. Dress for the weather, as we will be spending time outside, rain or shine. Weekly or daily registration. Note: Five year old children, who are currently in kindergarten, are welcome to register.

Craig Street Commons

M-F Mar 18-22 8:30a-4:00p \$38/day

Spend your spring break with Leah-Lollipop. Develop your balance, coordination, strength and flexibility as you play games and activities in these half or full day camps.

Full Day Camp 7-12yrs, 9:00a-4:00p \$270 9157 Morning Camp 5-6yrs, 9:00a-12:00p \$165 9158 Afternoon Camp 7-15yrs 1:00-4:00p \$165 9156

Spring Break - Ezra Soccer Camp 6-12yrs

Time for some spring season training with the Get Outside (GO) for nature exploration, hands on experienced instructors from Ezra Soccer School. discovery and lots of outdoor play at Moorecroft Back for another spring break camp, the team will Regional Park. GO Wild and spend an incredible help players develop their mastery of the ball with spring break in the outdoors with our energetic games and activities that focus on dribbling, Park Naturalists. Discovery is in our Nature during passing and improvisation. Groups will be divided this week full of nature inspired fun and adventure. by age and skill level. We play outside, so dress for the weather. Cleats required.

Instructor: Ezra Soccer School Parksville Community Park M-F Mar 18-22 1:30-4:00p \$100 10437

Spring Break - Ezra Soccer Tots Camp 3-5yrs

Have some fun on the field with the experienced adventures in Qualicum Beach. Each day is filled instructors from Ezra Soccer School. Children will enjoy with age appropriate activities that encourage the game of soccer with lots of ball contact, motor skill creativity, participation and enthusiasm from all development and social interaction. Instructor: Ezra Soccer School Craig Street Commons Gym M-F Mar 18-22 1:30-2:30p \$55 10438

Spring Break Ocean Critter Camp 6-12vrs

Learn all about your favourite ocean critters and Express Camp at Spring Break 11-14yrs explore their home, the ocean, in this fun and A truly unique experience that is unmatched on the educational camp. Camp will be packed with island. Jump in the RDN van with our youth science-based games, experiments, interpretive leaders for an experience you will never forget. nature walks, beach explorations, and taking care of the Deep Bay critters.

Instructor: VIU Deep Bay Staff VIU Deep Bay Marine Field Station M-F Mar 18-22 9:30a-3:30p \$180 10024

Spring Break Go Wild Outdoor Camp 6-12yrs

Instructor: RLC Park Services Staff Moorecroft Regional Park M-F Mar 25-29 9:00a-3:00p \$190 10060

Camp Kowabunga 6-10yrs

School's out and it's time to get out and play! Join in the action with games, crafts swimming and local campers. Note: Five year old children, who are currently in kindergarten, are welcome to register.

Qualicum Commons M-F Mar 25-29 8:30a-4:00p \$38/day

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F	Mar 22	Airhouse
W	Mar 27	Swim & Nerf Showd

Escape Rm, Bowling & Skating Mar 29

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For more program details or to register: rdn.bc.ca/recreation Oceanside Place Arena 250-248-3252 or Ravensong Aquatic Centre 250-752-5014

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Information at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

Oceanside Place Arena

250-248-3252

830 W Island Hwy, Parksville

Find us on

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

Ravensong Aquatic Centre

250-752-5014

737 Jones St, Qualicum Beach

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.



Would you like to try curling for the first time?

Do you already have experience with curling and want to learn more?

Are you looking for something to do with your friends that is fun and indoors during the rainy winter?



Open to girls 11-18 years of age
Receive guidance from experienced coaches
Learn in a positive and supportive environment
Prior experience not required
All Equipment supplied.
Registration deadline March 3, 2019

When: Saturday, March 9 Where: Qualicum Beach Curling Club

Time: 8:30am – 3:30pm

Fee: \$32 - includes Lunch and Snacks

The game of curling provides many benefits for young people: *Aerobic exercise that supports muscle and bone development. *A social environment that encourages working together toward a single goal. *Improvement of balance, flexibility and problem solving skills.

*Having fun and meeting other young curlers from different communities.

The Qualicum Beach Curling Club:

★Operates a weekly, youth curling program.

★Hosts the KSS High School Boys Curling Team.

★Hosts the Qualicum Beach Junior Girls Competitive Curling Team and, wants to encourage more girls to become active in curling.

The club is offering a special opportunity for girls only.

GIRLS ROCK ***** CURLING CLINIC

<u>Saturday, March 9, 2019 ★8:30am - 3:30pm</u>

What is the purpose of this clinic?

The curling clubs in the Oceanside region would like to build a strong base of young curlers who will continue to play as adults. We hope the clinic will inspire girls to join a club next season.

Who is this clinic for?

Girls aged between 11-18 years. No previous experience is required. Experienced curlers are welcome.

What level of fitness is required?

A moderate level of fitness is required. If you can walk quickly for 1200 feet (the length of a sports field), you are fit enough for this clinic.

How safe is curling?

Curling involves walking on ice wearing shoes designed for that purpose (*shoes will be supplied*). Curling involves sliding on ice in a controlled manner. There is a risk that any curler may fall. With proper instruction curling can be a very safe sport.

Who will be instructing the clinic?

A team of certified-coaches, trained volunteer-curlers and members of the Qualicum Beach Junior Girls Curling Team will lead the clinic.

What will the learning environment be like?

You can expect the Coaching Team to be patient and encouraging. Interactions between the curlers and between the coaches will be respectful. There will be an emphasis on having fun.

What should I wear and what should I bring?

✓ Dress in layers, bring gloves or mitts and something to keep your ears warm.
 ✓ A positive attitude and your friends.
 ✓ A refillable water bottle.

Do I need to bring a lunch?

Lunch will be supplied. You will be asked to identify food allergies when you register.

What is the cost to attend the clinic?

\$32.00 including GST, payable by cash or cheque on the day of the clinic.

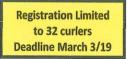
How do I register and where can I receive more information?

Register online at <u>https://qualicum-district.curling.io/en/competitions</u>. For registration assistance call Bev at 250-752-6162

For more information call Sean Herbert at 250-752-6985 or text 250-947-5527.









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Lee Crompton

Ages 6-11 11:00-1:00 pm

March 19, 20, 21 March 19, 20, 21 Ages 12-17 2:30-5:00 pm

\$89.00 for 3 Days **Includes Golf Clubs, a Snack and Prizes!**

- Develop the skills needed to drive, chip and putt - Learn rules and golf etiquette - All taught through a fun and engaging manor, using a variety of exercises, routines and games - The lessons learned will help your child to develop skills and learn to love the game of golf Arrowsmith Golf and Country Club 2250 Fowler Rd. Qualicum Beach, BC



2019 Spring Track and Field Registration is OPEN

Junior Development: ages 9-13yrs born 2010-2006

High School and older athletes: age 14+

For information and online registration go to: oceansidetrack.ca

Tuesday March 5th 2019 INFORMATION/AGM NIGHT Information 6-7pm AGM 7-8pm BSS Library

Junior Development (2010-2006) Practices 5:15-6:45pm Tues/Thurs Starts April 2

High School KSS & BSS Practices 3:30 – 5pm Mon/ Tues / Thurs Starts April 9

Flying Changes Riding School



Spring Break Camps (beginner & intermediate riders) March 19-21/March 26-28 10am-2pm \$180/3days Contact Gina Kararrigas (250)240-1794



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



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

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 weather it is safe to make the switch. Requests must be sent to the board for review and players will be invited to evaluations. All request are sent to and will require the final approval of BC Minor.

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

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.

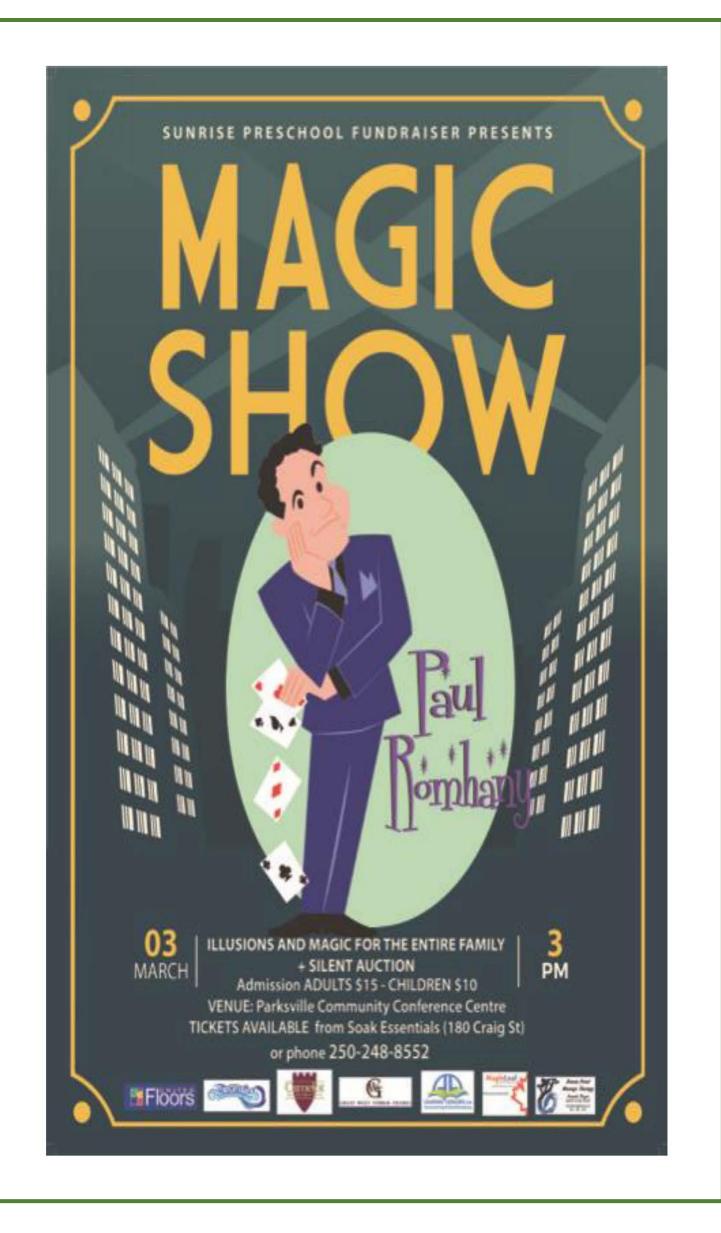
VIU's Milner Gardens Bunny Trail April 19 to 22, 2019

Bring the children or grandchildren for a children's Easter Bunny search taking place in the Gardens. At the Welcome & Interpretive Centre, children can pick up maps for clues to spotting the bunnies, and then return the map to the Pool House Gift Shop to receive an Easter treat.

Adult admission \$9, Youth \$5. Free admission for children 12 and under accompanied by an adult, members, and current VIU students with card. Garden open 10am to 5pm, with last entry 4:30pm Tea Room open 1pm to 4pm for tea, scones and soup. For more info 250-752-6153 or milnergardens.viu.ca

> Milner Gardens & Woodland 2179 West Island Highway Qualicum Beach, BC







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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EES Calendar of Events				
March	7	Grade 6/7 Volleyball Tournament		
	8	Kindergarten Vision and Hearing Screening (rescheduled from last month)		
	8	Grade 6/7 Dance in the EES Gym (2:15pm-4:00pm)		
	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	1-2	Celebration of Learning		
	8	Grade 3 Swim Program begins (Ms. Baynton's class)		
	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 (<u>http://ees.sd69.bc.ca</u>) 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 NameStudent Name(s)Student Grade(s)Classroom Teacher(s)

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