



ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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November 23, 2018

Principal's Message

We are pleased to announce that our new drop-off/pick-up and parking area is ready to open next week, on Monday, November 26th! Your child will be bringing home a paper copy today with a map and information on how it will work. This project has been a long time coming! We know it will take some time to get used to the system and we ask that you show patience and cooperation as we work out the new routines.

We continue to promote the common language used in our pillars of social responsibility which are outlined in our Code of Conduct: Demonstrate SAFE behaviour, Display RESPECTFUL behaviour, and be PREPARED to learn. The article below suggests four areas as you help your child develop character:

Your child may have been born with certain personality traits, but think of his character as a work in progress. In other words, the kind of person he'll eventually become is still being shaped. Teach him to:

1. **Take responsibility.** We're all accountable for our actions. Tell your child that he can't control others, but he can control his choices and actions.
2. **Be flexible.** Model compromise and negotiation by listening to the opinions of others. Encourage your child to do the same.
3. **Show empathy.** Teach your child to imagine how others might feel.
4. **Be respectful.** Talk to your child about what respectful behaviour looks like at home and at school. He can show respect at school by raising his hand before speaking in class. He can show respect at home by helping out with chores.

Source: *Elementary School Parents*
December 2018
Vol.30, No.4

The same qualities that help people live together in families can help them live in communities – and get along with others in school. Are you helping your child develop good citizenship? Answer yes or no to the questions below to find out:

1. Do you talk with your child about school and family rules and why they're important?
2. Do you volunteer as a family on a regular basis?
3. Do you show your child that it is important to honour commitments by keeping your promises?
4. Do you model sportsmanship when you are watching sporting events and playing games?
5. Do you expect your child to take responsibility for her actions and do you hold her accountable for her choices?

How well are you doing? More yes answers mean you're doing your best to raise a model citizen. For no answers, try those ideas to help your child get along with others.

Source: *Elementary School Parents*
October 2018
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Scholastic Book Fair

News From Your Library



ENCHANTED FOREST BOOK FAIR Nov 21-27: What an awesome title for a special event in our library! Our book fair runs from November 21-26th with classroom previews on Thursday, then open for business Friday, Monday and Tuesday until noon. This is our library's biggest fundraising event and we thank you for your support!

**** WE NEED PARENT VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUT, PLEASE EMAIL MS. RICHARDS, THANK YOU!**

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: PAC is holding a Family Movie Night on the Friday Nov 23rd. Movies and books together and a very fun evening for families at EES.

LOST AND OVERDUE BOOKS: We ask that students be really great at returning books this year. If a book is lost, please either bring one from home which is similar quality and genre, or pay the replacement cost to the Library. Having a special spot at home for library books can help with remembering. Also having a big ziploc bag to keep library books in will help with keeping them clean and free from juice spills!

OUR FRIDAY VOLUNTEER!: We are very happy to welcome Dena Lane (a school mom) in our Library on some Friday afternoons. Thanks Dena!

LINKS FROM HOME: You can access many awesome reading resources directly from home on your computer. By going to www.sd69.bc.ca/schools/EES you can click on the Library Website. Here, you'll find links to research tools including World Book Online and more. Click on the library CATALOGUE to access our EES books.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at jrichards@sd69.bc.ca. Thank you!



Janet Richards, Teacher Librarian
Cathy Macrae, Library Clerk



Use of Technology

We value the use of technology as an integral part of teaching and learning. Our handheld devices have become part of our daily routines and give us access to a wide variety of tools, including photographing our students doing all sorts of activities at school. We have noticed that some photos of our students have appeared on social media – we understand that people taking and sharing photos during school sanctioned activities are doing so with good intentions. What people may not realize is that we have a number of students who have media restrictions in place and parents have indicated they do not want their child's photo to appear publically. In order to respect the privacy of our students, we ask that you do **NOT** download, copy, or distribute any pictures or other personal information through social media that contain images of students and/or student work other than your child's.



A Message From Oceanside Public Health Services

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.

In addition, Oceanside Public Health will be hosting a public influenza drop-in clinic for all eligible individuals on Monday November 5th/18 from 10am-2pm at the Qualicum Beach Civic Centre. No appointment necessary.

Information regarding eligibility for publically funded vaccine can be found at:
<http://www.viha.ca/flu/>

Washroom Etiquette

We have noticed that the student washrooms are getting very messy each day. Toilets aren't flushed, urine is often on the floor in front of the boys' urinal, there are things in the toilets that should not be there (food and food wrappers, pens/pencils, etc.), and there have been cases where graffiti has been written on the walls. This has caused plumbing issues and as we have had to close washroom stalls down during the day for cleaning, it reduces the number of toilets available for student use throughout the day. It also causes additional time to clean in the evenings when the custodial staff should be concentrating on cleaning the rest of the school properly. We are very concerned about the state of the washrooms and have been monitoring them throughout the day. We hope that you will help by reminding your children about responsible washroom use.

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.schoolcashonline.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.

SOS Christmas Program Registration

Please ***NOTE*** that SOS will be offering late night registration for working low income families to have the opportunity to register for the Christmas program. Evening registrations will take place by appointment Tuesday, November 20 and Thursday, November 22, 2018 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. SOS will also accommodate families for late night distribution through the Toy Shop and to receive Christmas grocery gift cards on Tuesday, December 18 and Thursday, December, 20, 2018. To make an appointment call 250-248-2093 ext 229 or drop by in person at 245 W. Hirst Avenue, Parksville between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm. Regular registration times are Monday to Friday 9:30-3:30 by drop in.

PAC NEWS

EES Parent Advisory Council

PAC FUN LUNCHES

LUNCH DATE	MENU	ORDER DEADLINE
Fri. November 30 th	<u>Panago</u> Pizza	Tues Nov 27 th
Fri. December 21 st	<u>Panago</u> Pizza	Tues Dec 18 th

All orders are placed online at <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Errington/>. Information about PAC Fun Lunches and registering to order 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.

Christmas Family Craft Night

Friday November 30th, 2018

Make&Take Crafts! Cookie Decorating! Silent Auction! Concession! Used Book Sale! Photo Booth Fun!
A School Community Favorite... *Entry by Donation*

We are accepting Silent Auction and Used Book Donations.

Leave in office at school or email
erringtonelementarypac@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

The Grinch Who Stole Christmas

Friday, November 23rd

Entry by Donation

Concession 5 pm (hot dogs and popcorn!)

Movie 6 pm

Enchanted Forest Book Fair open during movie in
Come in your jammies, bring pillows and blankets
and enjoy a laid-back family movie!

EPI CURE

November 12-23rd we will be collecting orders for some fun epi-cure gift pack collections. Order Forms to come home the week of November 12th. These make great Christmas gifts!

CONTACT US

Email: erringtonelementarypac@gmail.com

Website: www.erringtonpac.wordpress.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/eespac

THANK YOU for all your support! We always love a volunteer, so please feel free to connect with us!



SCHOOL DISTRICT No.69 (QUALICUM)

November 1, 2018

Dear Parent(s) and/or guardians:

British Columbia has a redesigned curriculum, which means that we are also redesigning how we assess and report on student progress. The goal of communicating student progress is to ensure that families are well informed about their children's progress. As a result, we are working to support new practices for communicating about student learning.

This year School District 69 is participating as a pilot site for the *B.C. Ministry of Education's Draft K-9 Student Reporting Policy*. Research has shown that good communication between the home and the school is key to student success. Communication should provide up-to-date information about student progress and involve the student, the teacher, and the parent(s)/guardian(s) in a meaningful dialogue throughout the school year.

In our district, the communication about student progress will be provided through a variety of forms:

- Portfolios (digital and/or paper)
- Learning conferences
- Student reflection and self-assessment of the Core Competencies
- Summary of progress (end of year)

We recognize that as parent(s)/guardian(s) who may have more than one child in the district, you may receive feedback on your children in more than one way.

We encourage you to connect with your children's teachers to clarify the forms of communication of student learning that they are using this year.

If you have questions, please contact your children's school. Thank you for supporting your children's learning and growth.

Sincerely,

Gillian Wilson
Assistant Superintendent of Schools
School District 69 (Qualicum)

GW/hc

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.



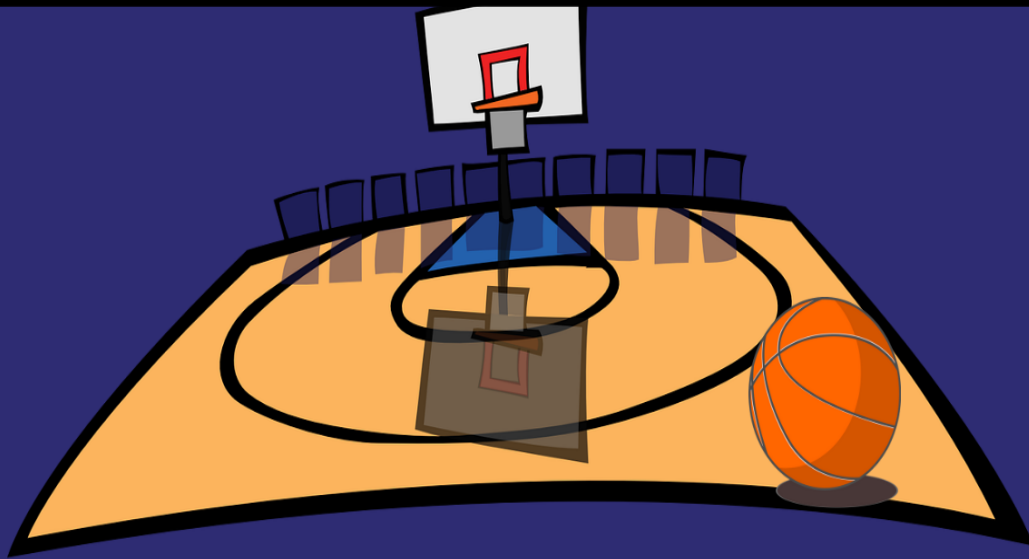
VIUs Milner Christmas Magic

Nov 30, Dec 1-2, 7-9, 14-19, 2018, 5 to 8:30pm
last entry 8pm

Outdoor Christmas light show for the whole family to enjoy. Santa, live Christmas music, Teddy Bear Cottage, Storytelling, VIU Baking Students Gingerbread Houses, Refreshments, Tea Room, Gift Shops. Onsite shuttle for mobility challenged. Bring a flashlight.

Sorry, we are unable to take Tea Room reservations.
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).

milnergardens.viu.ca



FREE

YOUTH DROP-IN BASKETBALL

AGES 11- 15

AGES 16+

Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00pm

Thursdays, 7:00 - 9:00pm

October 2 - December 4, 2018

October 4 - December 6, 2018

COOMBS FAIRGROUND GYMNASIUM
1014 Ford Rd, Coombs, BC V0R 1M0



Questions?

Contact Kristine Stephenson - stephenson@live.ca / 250-927-3985

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**
Starting November 14, 2018. Monday - Friday, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm.
Evening registrations are available by appointment.

Registrations will also be accepted at these outreach locations:
SOS Community Services Centre 744 Primrose St., **Qualicum Beach**
Wed. Nov. 14, Nov. 21, Nov. 28 and Dec. 5, 2018, 2 pm - 4 pm.

Lighthouse Community Centre 240 Lions Way, **Qualicum Bay**
Thurs. Oct. 25, Nov. 29 and Dec. 13, 2018, 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

250.248.2093 ext. 229 | coordinator@sosd69.com | www.sosd69.com

Dad's Night Out: Free Skate Night



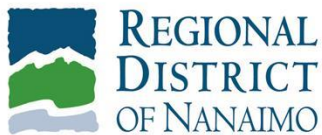
Free admission and skate rentals courtesy of
Building Learning Together

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
250-752-5014

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

Find us on



All school
ages

DROP-IN GYM

Sept 17-Dec 20, 2018



Qualicum Commons

Wed 3:00 - 4:45 PM

Parksville Elementary

Mon/Thu 3:00 - 5:00 PM

To drop-in bring your 10x Active Pass:

\$30.15 (child) \$40.26 (student)

Grade 5 and 6 active passes also accepted.



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FREE SKATE LESSONS FOR YOUTH 13-18 YRS

Join your friends, learn to skate!

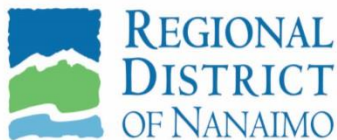
Mon, Oct 1-Oct 29 4:00-5:00pm

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



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WINTER WONDERLAND ON ICE TEEN SKATE

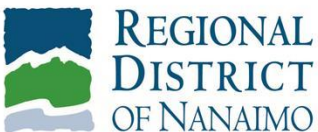
13-18yrs



Oceanside Place
Arena

Tuesday Dec 18
7:00-8:30pm

Free admission
and skate rentals



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13-18
years

TEEN SWIM

Teens only at RAC every Friday night

Ravensong Aquatic Centre

**Fridays,
7:00-9:00 pm**



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11-14 YRS

DODGEBALL

Are you ready for some high energy fun?

Craig Street Commons

Fridays, 4:15-5:15 pm

Nov 9—Dec 14

\$26.80 / 6

Late registration is welcome



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North Island Wildlife Recovery Centre presents....

MAGICAL
4th ANNUAL

Nights of Light

A wildLIGHT experience for the whole family!
All proceeds support the Wildlife Recovery Centre

Fridays & Saturdays, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
(December 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22)

Admission is by PRE-PURCHASED ONLY ticket
\$5 per person • Children 12 & under free (ticket required)

There is a FREE SHUTTLE available!
The pick up location is at Craig Street Commons (330 Craig Street, Parksville)
Shuttle Passes will be issued upon event ticket purchase.

As space is extremely limited, parking on-site at NIWRA will be available by pre-purchased parking pass only. • Cost: \$5 per vehicle
PARKING ON LEFFLER ROAD IS PROHIBITED

ALL TICKETS AVAILABLE AT BEAR DEN GIFT SHOP at NIWRA









North Island Wildlife Recovery Centre
1240 Leffler Rd, Errington • www.niwra.org • 250-248-8534



NIWRA Hours: 7 days a week from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm



November 13, 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

Drop-in Gym is open till December 20th and then re-opens January 7th.

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

Drop-in Afterschool Skating

Oceanside Place Arena is the place to be on Mondays and Wednesdays after school for the reduced rate skate from 3:30 to 5:00 pm. 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

Teen Swim 13-18yrs

Enjoy the Friday night swim activities at Ravensong Aquatic Centre geared to our teen crowd. Admission is the reduced rate at \$2/student. 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

Oceanside Pond

The Oceanside Pond ice is now open for skaters. Preschoolers who are 3 years and under skate for free.

Junior Adaptive Gymnastics 7yrs+

This is a smaller class to support children with a variety of confidence, attention and learning concerns. Tue, Jan 8 from 5:45 to 6:30 pm Craig Street Commons.

Adaptive Swim Program 5-15yrs

This swim program is for children with learning and behavior differences. A variety of techniques are used to support the child's abilities and learning styles. Wed, Jan 9-Mar 13, 1:45-2:30p. \$79.15 #9733

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.

Homemade Play 2-4yrs

A fun-filled hour with your preschooler to make homemade play dough, cornstarch goop and other low cost concoctions. Fri, Dec 7, 11:00a-12:00p, \$10, #9261.

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. 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.

Events

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 17th 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.

Disco Light Skate for all ages

Catch dance fever under the disco lights at Oceanside Place Arena.

Saturday, November 24th, from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Regular admission.

Dad's Night Out: Free Skate

Dads, bring the kids to Oceanside Place Arena and enjoy a free skate together on the pond Tuesday, December 4, January 8, February 5, and March 5 from 6:45 to 7:45 pm. This free skate is sponsored by our partners at Building Learning Together.

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. Saturday, December 8th from 1:30 to 5:00pm. Regular admission. Phone RDN, Recreation and Parks 250-752-5014 or view skate and swim schedules online at rdn.bc.ca/recreation.

Winter Wonderland On Ice

December 15–31

It is a holiday tradition to take part in this magical skating event at Oceanside Place Arena. Special lighting and décor makes you feel as though you are skating on an outdoor pond at night. Even if you do not skate, come by and view the lights from the deck. Wheel chairs and strollers are welcome. The public skating schedule with free skates will be available November 23rd at rdn.bc.ca/recreation.

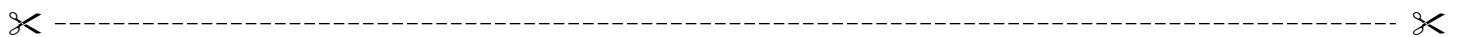
FREE New Year's Eve Family Celebration

Celebrate New Year's Eve family style at Oceanside Place Arena on Monday, December 31st from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Enjoy the last skate of the year on Winter Wonderland, join the family fun pond hockey, make a craft, listen to great entertainment and join in the early countdown at 8:00 pm. Food will be available to purchase at the event. Admission and skate rentals are free courtesy of Tim Horton's, Parksville. Tickets are required and are available December 10th at either Oceanside Place Arena or Ravensong Aquatic Centre.

EES Calendar of Events

November	21-27	Scholastic Book Fair
	23	Jersey Day
	23	PAC Movie Night
	26	New Drop-off/Pick-up and Parking Lot opens!
	30	PAC Craft Night
December	14	"Crazy Christmas" Spirit Day
	20	Winter Concert (12:45pm and 6:00pm)
	21	Pajama Day
	21	Last day of school before the Winter Break
January	7	School Reopens after Winter Break
	18	Crazy Hair/Hat Spirit Day
	29	Dad's Night Out – RDN/ACRA event at the EES gym (6:30pm-7:30pm)
February	12	Dad's Night Out – RDN/ACRA event at the EES gym (6:30pm-7:30pm)
	14	Red/White/Pink Spirit Day
	18	BC FAMILY DAY
	19	Professional Development Day – No School
March	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



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.