

ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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February 21, 2020

Principal's Message

We have certainly enjoyed the sunshine and some early signs of spring this past week! Many important learning activities have been taking place. 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)



Kindergarten registration is ongoing!! Please see below for further information.

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

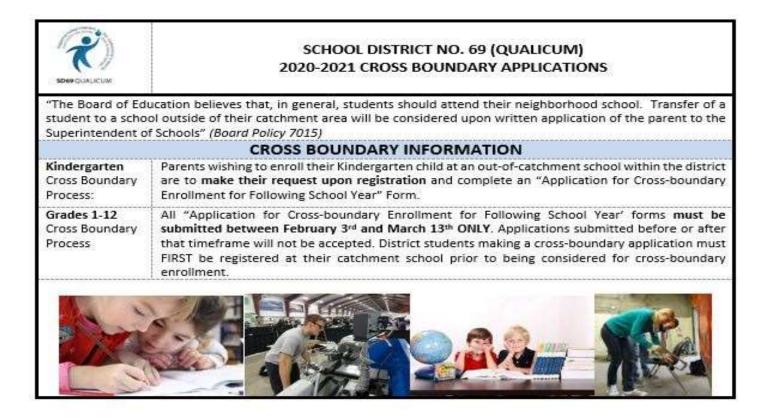
All new students must register at their catchment area school. Information for those students wishing to attend a school outside their catchment is available at school offices.

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.



Families on the Move?

Please let the school office know if your family will be moving next year. As planning is underway for next year, it is very helpful if we are aware of any students who will not be attending our school in September.



Non-Instructional Day

Please remember that school is not in session on Monday, February 24th as it is a Professional Development Day.



Grade 6/7 Dance

We have a group of students planning a dance for Grade 6/7 students on Wednesday, February 26th, from 4:30pm until 6:00pm. There will be a concession offered for refreshments 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 \$3 each until 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. This dance is for EES students only.







Parking Lot Safety



When using the drop-off/pick-up lane, please remember to pull forward as far as you can to reduce congestion behind you. When people stop right at the foot of the path to the school, cars tend to back up quickly around the bend. If you are parking in the lower lot, please make sure your child is with

you when walking through the traffic towards the path. Please also remember to use your turn signals while using the drop-off/pick-up lane. After dropping off your child, please pull all the way around the loop rather than doing a "u-turn" through the lot.

Celebration of Learning/Spring Conferencing

Communicating student learning is an essential part of education. EES Teachers are planning an opportunity to connect with families on the evening of April 29th and during the week of May 4th. Some teachers are planning a "celebration of learning", some will be setting up individual conference times, and some are planning a combination of both. More information will be provided in the April 3rd newsletter, along with instructions on how to use the online appointment booking system. This will be an opportunity for students to take a central role in sharing where they are in their learning as well as sharing what they see as their next steps. As educational researcher Anne Davies says, "When students communicate with others what they have learned, they come to better understand what they have learned and what they need to learn."

School Messenger

As you know, the School District 69 office activated the new Messenger program last week on the snow days. Please see below for follow-up information.



Knights of Columbus Free Throw Basketball Competition



Selected students aged 9-12 will be representing EES at the annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Basketball Competition tomorrow (Saturday, February 22nd) at Springwood Elementary School. The event begins at 11:00am. We encourage you to come out and cheer for our Wildcats!

Pink Shirt Day

We are encouraging students to wear a pink shirt on Wednesday, February 26th to celebrate national antibullying day. In the past, pink shirts have been provided by a local business. We will not be getting any pink shirts this year, so we hope students may have one from previous years.

The pink shirt campaign started in eastern Canada by a group of youth who were protesting the treatment of a fellow student who chose to wear pink. Students were making inappropriate remarks about boys wearing pink, so



several male students decided to wear pink themselves to stand up to the name-calling and to support their peers who chose to wear pink. They wanted to make a statement about one of our fundamental freedoms of expression. The tradition has continued for several years now. We look forward to seeing a "sea of pink" in our school on February 28th! We continue to help our students learn how to solve problems in peaceful ways. Please see the link in the "general documents" section of our website for an interesting article that describes the difference between bullying, peer conflict, and mean behavior.

After School Arrangements for Students

Dear Parents/Guardians:

If you need to advise your students of any changes to their after school care/transportation etc. we kindly ask that you call the office with details earlier in the school day. The office has been receiving a lot of parent/guardian calls towards the end of the day, which is an extremely busy time for our school community and could result in messages being missed.

Thank you for your understanding.

EES School Office

Food Program 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. We rely on donations from our generous community to run this program. We do not collect money from students for this, but we do encourage donations to our collection jar when you can. We are actually in

need of donations in order to keep this valuable program going until the end of the school year. If you know of a community group or if your family is able to make a small donation, it would be very much appreciated!

Please be reminded that we are no longer allowing students to use the microwave in the lunch kitchen. We highly recommend using a good quality thermos as an option to keep food warm without having to use a microwave. A stainless steel thermos works well, especially if it is pre-heated with hot water before placing the hot food in it.

School Bus Information

Student Play Dates / Bussing Arrangements:

Due to overcrowding please be aware that school buses are **not** to be used for any other purpose (ie play dates, birthday parties, work or sports activities). The Transportation Department have asked that parents **do not send notes with their child requesting to ride another bus**.

Please refer to the School District website for all school bus information.

Inclement Weather and Clothing



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.

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.

Volunteering

At EES we love to have volunteers in our school! If you would like to help out in the classroom, library, go on fieldtrips or help on our PAC, please fill out a Police Information Check form available in the EES office. It is simple to do! Just fill out the form and bring to the R.C.M.P. office in Parksville. If you bring in the letter template indicating it is for Errington Elementary School, it is free. This needs to be done once every few years. Due to privacy laws, you must complete the Police Information Check separately for each



organization you are involved with. It is best to take care of this now so that you can support throughout the year.

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!

Cell Phone Use at EES

We would like to remind parents that student cell phone use is not permitted during the school day. We would ask that if you need to contact your student during the day to please use the school phone (250) 248-8446 instead of texting – thank you.



NEW WAY TO PAY

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>Library News</u>

We have a lot of great events coming up in the Library:

Seriously Awesome Series Book Draw: Our popular book draw begins Feb 18 and runs to March 11. Students are invited to check out a book in a series, read it, return it and fill out a form to enter our draw. There are many kinds of different series and our Senior Library Pages will be visiting classes to talk about all the series books in our library. Winners will be chosen on March 12th and invited down to choose their prize.

Jungle Book Fair: Our spring book fair, JUNGLE, comes in April. We'll set up April 15, have class previews April 16 and be open for business Apr 17-21. All Term 2 library pages will be invited to set up and work during the fair - and they get to see the books first! PAC Movie Night will occur Fri Apr 17th, more information coming.

Return Your Books Please: We have over 400 overdue books at the moment. Please take a look under beds and in cupboards and bring them back so other students can enjoy them! Take It Or Trade It Books: We're always happy to receive good books in great condition of interest to our students, thank you.





Our Lego leaders Taryn and Noah offered the first of three LEGO Challenges last week - 3 wheeled vehicle distance race. They will be offering two more challenges before the end of the year, keep checking back for details!

Gladiators Chess Tournament: Our EES tournament begins Monday Feb 10 with Grade 5 and 6 students. Grade 7 and 4 students will begin Feb 18th. Our Final is on March 2nd and winners at each Grade Level will then compete in the District Tournament May 6th at Qualicum Elementary School.

The Vancouver Island Children's Book Festival 2020

Want to meet a literary rock star? The Vancouver Island Children's Book Festival 2020 will take place Saturday April 25 in downtown Nanaimo. BookFest is a unique celebration of children's literature and an exciting day meeting and hearing your new favourite Canadian authors and illustrators! The hub of activity is Diana Krall Plaza, while the presenter sessions are held in the **Vancouver Island Conference Centre** and the **Harbourfront Library**. Tickets are \$10 per child for all three sessions, to a maximum of \$25 per family. Featured books will be available for purchase and author book-signing will be held after the final session until 3 pm. Come and get your books signed! Buy your books on the day or buy them early from Literacy Nanaimo. Read about our presenters and check out the BookFest schedule at Bookfest.ca. A limited number of tickets may be available for purchase on the morning of the event, but to avoid disappointment be sure to buy your tickets in advance at https://www.bookfest.ca/

Errington Elementary is now on Instagram!



Staff have created a profile to share events and highlights from around the school. We are hoping that we will be able to better connect to the Errington community and share the awesome things that are happening around our school. Parents, family members, and students are welcome to follow us. Please follow us by searching: errington_wildcats.

Please contact the school if you have any questions.

PAC – Purdy's Spring Fundraiser

Errington Spring Fundraiser is fundraising with Purdys Chocolatier, just in time for Easter! Our Winter Purdy's Fundraiser was a huge success, raising over \$1,000 for the school! If you'd like to support us through purchasing some very sweet Easter gifts for friends, family and yourself, please click the link below:

https://fundraising.purdys.com/1043268-74205

or, search on the Purdy's website for the Errington Spring Fundraiser campaign. After you've signed in you can buy our amazing chocolates or invite others to join and support our Fundraising Campaign.

We will also send home a catalogue with an order sheet. Please make sure your first and last name, phone number, and student's name are written on the form.





Hot Lunch Days

Feb 28th pizza Mar 30th subway Apr 6th Hot Dog Day Apr 24th pizza May 11 Hot Dog Day May 22nd subway

All lunches close on Munchalunch a week prior to lunch date. Munchalunch is now open for ordering!



SCHOOL DISTRICT No.69 (QUALICUM)

February 21, 2020

A letter to all parents and employee representatives:

The Board of Education is circulating for consultation to all parents and employee representatives a Draft School Calendar for 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 as has been discussed at the January and February Education Committee of the Whole meetings.

The Board has made <u>no decision</u> about a Calendar for 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023, but is circulating a draft for the information of parents and employees.

Dates on the Draft Calendars are tentative and are subject to revision.

The Board has scheduled final approval on the proposed 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 Draft School Calendars at its Regular Board Meeting as follows:

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Place: The Forum - Parksville Civic and Technology Centre 100 Jensen Avenue East, Parksville, BC

Time: 6:00 P.M.

The Board encourages each school community to discuss the Draft School Calendars at meetings of the Parent Advisory Council and / or staff meetings should schedules permit. Feedback may also be submitted via the District website: http://www.sd69.bc.ca/Contact/Pages/default.aspx

Sincerely,

Eve Flynn, Chair Board of Education

Attachment

PO Box 430, 100 Jensen Ave. East, Parksville, B.C. V9P 2G5 Phone (250) 248-4241 Fax (250) 248-5767 www.sd69.bc.ca



Local School Calendar (Three Year)

Designation	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
Days in Session		1	
Days of Instruction	1		
Instructional Hours Elementary	1		
Instructional Hours Secondary	1		
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Schools open	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Regular start time schools dismiss three hours early	September 8	September 7	September 6
Ballenas and Kwalkum Secondary – grade 8 students only	10	1	
Ballenas and Kwalikum Secondary	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
First day for grades 9-12 students	September 9	September 8	September 7
District-wide Planning Day	Thursday	Thursday	TBD
Non instructional Day	September 17	September 30	Contains
Professional Development Day	Friday	Friday	TBD
Non-instructional Day	September 18	October 1	
Thanksgiving Day	Monday	Monday	Monday
	October 12	October 11	October 10
Conferencing Adjustment	Thursday	Friday	Thursday
Non-instructional Day	October 22	November 12	October 20
Provincial Professional Development Day	Friday	Friday	Friday
Non-instructional Day	October 23	October 22	October 21
Remembrance Day	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	November 11	November 11	November 11
Winter Vacation Period	December 21	December 20 to	December 19 to
	to January 1	December 31	December 30
Schools Reopen after Winter Vacation	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday
A	January 4	January 4	January 3
Secondary Semester Two Begins	TBD	TBD	TBD
Professional Development Day	Friday	Friday	TBD
Non-instructional Day	February 12	February 18	
BC Family Day	Monday	Monday	Monday
	February 15	February 21	February 20
Spring Vacation Period	March 15 to	March 14 to	March 20 to
	March 26	March 25	March 31
Schools Reopen after Spring Vacation Period	Monday	Monday	Monday
	March 29	March 28	April 3
Good Friday	Friday	Friday	Friday
	April 2	April 15	April 8
Easter Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday
	April 5	April 18	April 11
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Non-instructional day	May 21	May 20	May 19
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Health Officer

NORTH ISLAND

250.331.8591 Charmaine Enns MD, MHSc, FRCPC 355-11th Street Courtenay, BC V9N 154

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250.739.6304 Paul Hasselback MD, MSc, FRCPC 3rd Floor 6475 Metral Drive Nanaimo, BC V9T 2L9

COWICHAN AREA

250.850.2100 Local 45528 Shannon Waters MD MHSc FRCPC 601-222 Cowichan Way Duncan, BC V9L 6P4

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250.519.3406 Richard Stanwick, CMHO MD, MSc, FRCPC, FAAP

Murray Fyfe MD, MSc, FRCPC

Dee Hoyano MD, FRCPC

430 –1900 Richmond Ave. Victoria, BC V8R 4R2

After Hours On Call 1.800.204.6166

Update #3 on COVID-19

The novel coronavirus has now been officially named "COVID-19" by the World Health Organization and we will be referring to it accordingly in future correspondence with you. The outbreak continues to expand, but remains primarily focused in China.

BCCDC Health Provider information updates, infection prevention and control resources and laboratory testing information are available at: <u>http://www.bccdc.ca/health-</u> professionals/clinical-resources/coronavirus-%28novel%29

Testing for COVID-19 and Testing Criteria

Work is currently underway to implement COVID-19 testing in Island Health, which will improve test turnaround times for patients and clinicians. Currently, testing is occurring at the BC Public Health Laboratory in Vancouver.

Please immediately contact your local Medical Health officer for patients of concern including those with:

· Compatible symptoms of COVID-19 infection (e.g. fever, cough, or difficulty breathing)

 AND history of travel to affected areas of China within two weeks prior to illness onset OR other index of suspicion (e.g. contact with an ill person with such travel history).

A Medical Health Officer is available 24/7 for guidance on appropriate testing and precautions. We can be reached during business hours (see phone numbers on left side of page) or after-hours at 1-800-204-6166.

Patient Management & Specimen Collection

For patients meeting the above criteria:

Offer them a surgical mask and place them in a separate room.

 Use contact and droplet precautions during assessment and sample collection. This includes gloves, gowns, surgical mask and eye protection. An N95 respirator is NOT necessary (except for aerosol generating procedures such as intubation, bronchoscopy).

 Obtain a nasopharyngeal and/or viral throat swab using a red or blue topped COPAN swab with Universal Transport Media (UTM). It is preferable to collect specimens from both sites. These are the same collection devices routinely used for NP swabs for flu/other respiratory virus testing or skin/mucosal swabs for HSV/VZV viral testing. UNSUITABLE collection devices systems will be REJECTED and delay testing. These include: COPAN E-swabs for Pertussis testing, bacterial throat swabs for Group A Streptococcus testing, dry swabs, etc.

 Ensure samples are promptly sent to an Island Health lab. Samples sent to Life Labs will significantly increase turnaround time for results at this time. All samples are currently tested at the Public Health Laboratory in Vancouver.

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 If the patient is well enough to return home, they may be discharged with a surgical mask and advised to isolate at home until contacted by Island Health Communicable Disease.

Health Canada Advice for People Arriving from China

Health Canada is currently recommending that travellers who have travelled to Hubei province in the last 14 days, self-isolate and stay at home for 14 days after leaving Hubei province. In addition, these travellers should contact the local public health authority within 24 hours of arriving in Canada.

Travellers from other parts of mainland China are advised to monitor themselves for symptoms for 14 days and to self-isolate and immediately contact their local public health authority if they feel sick or develop symptoms. They are not expected to self-isolate at home if asymptomatic.

Refer to the Health Canada COVID-19 travel advisory page for more information:

https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirusinfection/latest-travel-health-advice.html

Communicable Disease Public Health Management

People identified as close contacts of a confirmed COVID-19 case will be contacted directly by Communicable Disease. Self-isolation in the home for 14 days after last exposure to the case, as well as daily symptom monitoring is the current recommendation. Public health will conduct the daily monitoring. Any contact who becomes symptomatic is to contact Communicable Disease immediately, and arrangements will be made for further assessment and testing. Please see below for Communicable Disease office phone numbers.

Address

Communicable Disease Office

South Island CD Office

Central Island CD Office

North Island CD Office

Dee Hoyano, MD, FRCPC, CCFP Medical Health Officer

1947 Cook St	1.866.665.6626
Victoria	
#8 – 1599 Dufferin Crescent	1.866.770.7798
Nanaimo	
355 11th Street	1.877.887.8835
Courtenay	

Phone Number

February 24th (Mo May 1st (Friday) May 15th (Friday)

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Coombs Fair Grounds (Activity Hall)

8:30am - 3:30pm

7-12yrs

Are you ready for a fun, high-energy day camp? Here's a chance to play the game you love and develop your skills for footwork, shooting, dribbling, passing and game strategy. Camp will improve their skills through activities and game play. Focus is on fair play, a positive attitude and teamwork.

Day activities include 5 on 5 scrimmages, 1-1 and 3-3 tournaments, shooting competitions and Hustle Challenges. Campers will enjoy a crafting activity during the 'down time'. Lunch and wate bottle must be supplied by camper. Boys and giris welcome.

For more information, or to register go to www.smithperformancebasketball.com



11-14yrs

BABYSITTERS CERTIFICATION

Get trained. Get hired.

Courses offered:

Nov 3, Dec 1, Jan 18, Feb 23, Mar 8 Sundays 9:00 am-4:00 pm Qualicum Commons \$49 Fee includes manual

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DISTRICT

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Register at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

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

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





Hey Oceanside Youth!

Want a cool summer job? Like baseball?

Are you <u>12</u> 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 1, 2020- 8:30 AM to 4 PM! Errington Elementary School

Please go to www.bcbua.ca to register. Go to Clinic registration on left side of page!

You will be reimbursed for your membership with first pay in May 2020!!

REGISTER AS SOON AS YOU CAN, last year's clinic filled up fast!

Questions? Call Will Chambers 250-616-4829

Will Chambers Umpire Coordinator Oceanside Minor Baseball Umpire Program



2020 Spring Break Training Camp

OMBA will be hosting a 5-day Spring Break Training Camp,

March 23 to March 27, at Arbutus Meadows.

This is open to players born 2007/2008/2009/2010 and all associations.

Coaching will be provided by Royals, Bruce Biro.

It will run from 9 am to 3 pm. The focus will be on skills and drills, with mini games in doors. Players will get a 45 min lunch break at noon.

> This is a great opportunity to warm up for the spring season! Register at www.oceansidebaseball.ca



Fairwinds Learning Centre JUNIOR GROUP PROGRAMS 2020

Maximum of 8 participants per instructor and a minimum of 3 students. Classes are held rain or shine so come prepared for the weather. Equipment is available for use if needed. All lessons are lead by a PGA of Canada instructor. Spring Break Camp (ages 5-7 years)

\$70 per 4-day week session (includes four 45-minutes lessons)

Day	Dates	Time	Day	Dates	Time
Mon-Thu	Mar 16, 17, 18, 19	12:30pm-1:15pm	Mon-Thu	Mar 23, 24, 25, 26	12:30pm-1:15pm

Spring Break Camp (ages 8-13 years)

\$130 per 4-day week session (includes four 1.5-hour lessons)

Day	Dates	Time	Day	Dates	Time
Mon-Thu	Mar 16, 17, 18, 19	1:30pm-3:00pm	Mon-Thu	Mar 23, 24, 25, 26	1:30pm-3:00pm

Rookies (ages 5-7 years)

\$70 per 4-sessions (includes four 45-minute lessons)

Your child will learn the FUNdamental skills of golf from one of our PGA of Canada instructor. Key concepts taught include grip, stance, posture, alignment and balance for both the full swing and the short game.

Day	Dates	Time	Day	Dates	Time
Thu	Apr 9, 16, 23, 30	3:45pm-4:30pm	Thu	June 4, 11, 18, 25	3:45pm-4:30pm
Thu	May 7, 14, 21, 28	3:45pm-4:30pm	Mon-Thu	July 6, 7, 8, 9	9:00am-9:45am
Mon-Thu	July 27, 28, 29, 30	9:00am-9:45am			

Learn to Play (ages 8-13 years)

\$95 per 4-week session (includes four one-hour lessons)

Your child is going to learn the key concepts, grip, stance, posture, alignment and balance for both the full swing and the short game.

Day	Dates	Time	Day	Dates	Time
Wed	April 8, 15, 22, 29	4:00pm-5:00pm	Wed	June 3, 10, 17, 24	4:00pm-5:00pm
Wed	May 6, 13, 20, 27	4:00pm-5:00pm			

Junior Summer Golf Camp (ages 8-13 years)

\$150 per 3-day session (includes three 2.5-hour lessons)

During this camp your child will learn the techniques on the practice facility and then apply them on the golf course, supervised by a PGA of Canada instructor. Children will be playing about 3 holes every day and then practice their skills at the driving range.

Day	Dates	Time
Mon-Wed	Jul 6-8; Jul 13-15; Jul 20-22; Jul 27-29; Aug. 10-12; Aug. 17-19; Aug. 24-26	9:00-11:30am

contact Hélène Delisie, Head of Instruction, at hdelisie@fairwinds.ca. Fairwinds Golf, 3730 Fairwinds Drive, Nanoose Bay, BC, V9P 9J6 250.468.7666 | 1.888.781.2777 | www.fairwinds.ca



FAMILY GOLF NIGHTS

Have some fun together as a family! Special Tuesday evening tee times available after 5:00pm on:

> May 5, 19, June 2, 16, 30 July 14, 28, August 4, 18

Free club rentals for everyone! Sandwiches, drinks and snacks also available at the Golf shop.

I Adult + 1, 2 or 3 Juniors \$30 2 Adults + 1 or 2 Juniors \$45

9 Hole Cart Rental \$12 per person

Valid for juniors aged 5 to 18 years for the 2020 season. Subject to availability and applicable taxes.

If there is a junior who does not have an adult available to play, please ask at the Golf Shop and we may be able to team the junior up with someone.



For information and tee times, call 250.468.7666 or toll free 1.888.781.2777



2020 JUNIOR RATES

Memberships

Junior Annual (ages 12-18)

\$199.00 per year

Junior Junior Annual (ages 5-11)

\$99.00 per year

Junior players are also eligible for:

- Free junior club rentals (please reserve prior to tee time as there is a limited supply)
- 50% off on range tokens
- \$12 per person for power cart rentals (valid for 9 holes, operator must have a valid driver's license)

All rates are valid for juniors aged 5 to 18 years for the 2020 season. Prices are subject to applicable taxes. All juniors under 12 years must be accompanied by an adult.

3730 Fairwinds Dive, Nanoose Bay, BC fairwinds.ca | 1.888.781.2777

Flying Changes Riding School





Spring Break Camps March 17-19 (Beginner & intermediate) & March 24-26 10am-2pm daily \$189/camp Contact Gina Kararrigas (250)240-1794 2160 Halona Way



YOUTH DROP-IN BASKETBALL WINTER 2020

AGES 11-15

AGES 16+

Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00pm January 21 - March 24 Thursdays, 7:00 - 9:00pm January 23 - March 26

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





Questions?

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SMITH PERFORMANCE BASKETBALL

Elevate your game

Smith Performance basketball is a youth skills and player development group located on Vancouver Island

+Individual Player Developement +Group Training +Team/Coach Training and Support

8 week sessions for all ages from 5yrs to 18yrs.

Monday Tuesday Ages 5-6 Ages 9-12 5:30pm-6:30pm 6:30pm-8:00pm Oceanside Nanoose Bay

Wednesdays Ages 7-8 pm 5:00pm-6:00pm y Arrowview Wedensday Ages 9-12 6:30pm-8:00pm Arrowview

Thursday Ages 15-18 6:00pm-8:00pm Nanoose Bay

Friday Ages 13-14 6:00pm-8:00pm Nanoose Bay

Spaces are limited. Check website for more information. Sign up now. www.smithperformancebasketball.com

DROP-IN SWIMS and SKATES and UPCOMING EVENTS

BC Provincial Family Day Free Swim & Skate Ravensong Aquatic Centre Mo Feb 17 10:00am-2:00pm swim (Max 160 people)

Oceanside Place Arena Mo Feb 17 1:00-4:00pm skate

Free admission and skate rentals. We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia and the

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Disco Light Skate for all ages Catch dance fever under the disco lights Oceanside Place Arena Sa Feb 29 7:30-9:00pm Sa Mar 14 7:30-9:00pm Regular admissio



Spring Summer

Active Living Guide

will be online Thursday, February 27

Create your wish list and be ready to register on Monday March 9

SPRING PROGRAMS

CanPowerSkate 6-15vrs

Your child will improve their confidence on the ice with the CanPowerSkate program. This action-packed power skating session, geared to hockey players, focuses on balance, power, agility, speed and endurance. Skaters must have basic forward and backward skating skills and are able to stop on command without using the boards.

Instructor: Sandy Shores Skate Club Oceanside Place Arena Tu Apr 7-May 26 7:00-8:00am \$160 12153

Backvard Birds:

More than Robins, Gulls and Crows 4-7yrs

How much do you know about the birds in your backyard? Learn about common backyard birds, their habitat, and how you can contribute to supporting a healthy environment for them. Go for a short nature walk and then build and leave with your own backyard chickadee-house to take home! Parent participation.

Instructor: Kelsey Cramer Foster Park 10:00am-12:00pm \$26 120% Sa Apr4

Nighttime Beach Tour and Seine Syrs+

Are you brave enough to join us on a night tour of the beach? Explore what happens to beach critters at night and what lurks from the shadowy depths of the ocean. Come prepared with a flashlight, beach shoes or boots as we venture onto the pebbly shore to try and find some of our exclusive intertidal critters

VIU Deep Bay Marine Field Station \$20 Adult \$15 Child

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Th	Mar 19	7:30-9:30pm
Fr	Mar 20	8:00-10:00pm

Three easy ways to register:

250-752-5014

250-248-3252

1 Online rdn.bc.ca/recreation Dad's Night Out: Free Skate Night A free skate night on the pond at Oceanside Place Arena for dads and their kids to enjoy, courtesy of Building Learning Together. Oceanside Place Aren Tu Mar 3 6:45-7:45pm Free admission and skate rentals

Water to Earth Month Everyone Welcome Swim e Car Tu Mar 24 1:30-4:00pm Regular admission

Spring Break Swims and Skates Mar 14-79

View times rdn.bc.ca/recreation

PLAY Oceanside is hosting the first

Spring into Spring Break Week PLAY Passport. PLAY passports will be delivered to students before spring break starts and available online. You will have two weeks to complete activities and enter for a chance to win prizes. Stay tuned for details



Clam Digging Experience 8-17yrs

Curious and hungry kids will be led to the beach to let their inner foragers run wild. Learn all about the food that you can find on the beach from shellfish to crab and even seaweed. We will collect and learn how to prepare the food together. Participants must have their tidal waters sport fishing license prior to arriving. Apply online.

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Sa	Åpr 11	1:00-3:30pm	\$20	12258
Sa	May 9	12:00-2:30pm	\$20	12259

Fundamentals of Trail Running for Youth 12-16yrs

You can run, but can you run on the trails? Trail running is a great way to connect with nature while building endurance, coordination and strength.

Instructor: Shelby Drope & Melissa Ross Englishman River Reg Park - Allsbrook Rd Mo Apr 20-Jun 15 5:00-6:00pm \$60 12136

National Lifeguard Pool Option Course 16yrs+

The National Lifeguard pool option is designed to develop the fundamental values, judgement, knowledge, skills and fitness required by lifeguards.

Qualicum Commons - Library Mar 23-28 9:00am-6:00pm \$375.95 11299

Water Safety Instructor Course Step 1 15yrs+

Ravensong Aquatic Centre Mar 14 9:00am-1:00pm Sa \$250 11294

Water Safety Instructor Course Step 2 15yrs+

Ravensong Aquatic Centre Mo-Fr Mar 16-10 2:00-6:00pm \$175 11295 12254 12255

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Ravensong Aquatic Cer Oceanside Place Arena

RDN RECREATION AND PARKS

Spring Break Camps, programs and events



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO Register at rdn.bc.ca/recreation Roversong Aquotic Centre 757 Jones St. Quolicum Beach 250 752 A014



SPRING BREAK CAMPS

Camp Bigfoot at Spring Break 6-10yrs School's out and it's time to get out and play! Join in Get Outside (GO) for nature exploration, hands on the action with games, crafts, swimming and local discovery and lots of outdoor play at Moorecroft adventures in Parksville. Each day is filled with age Regional Park. GO Wild and spend an incredible appropriate activities that encourage creativity, spring break in the outdoors with our energetic participation and enthusiasm from all campers. Park Naturalists. Discovery is in our Nature during Note: Five year old children, who are currently in this week full of nature inspired fun and adventure. kindergarten, are welcome to register. Craig Street Commons

Mo-Fr Mar 16-20 8:30am-4:00pm \$39/day

Spring Break Basketball Camp 6-8yrs

Are you ready for a fun, high-energy camp? Here's Camp Kowabunga 6-10yrs an introduction to the game with a chance to build on the fundamentals of footwork, shooting, dribbling and passing. Campers will improve their fair play, a positive attitude and teamwork. Boys and girls welcome.

Instructor: Smith Performance Basketball Qualicum Commons - Gymnasium

Mo-Fr Mar 16-20 9:00am-12:00pm \$185 12244 Qualicum Commons

Spring Break Basketball Camp 9-13yrs

Are you ready for a fun, high-energy camp? Here's a chance to play the game you love and develop your skills for footwork, shooting, dribbling, passing and game strategy. Campers will improve their skills through activities and game play. Focus is on fair play, a positive attitude and teamwork. Includes daily 5 on 5 scrimmages, 1-1 and 3-3 tournaments, shooting competitions and Hustle Challenges. Boys and girls welcome.

Instructor: Smith Performance Basketball

Qualicum Commons - Gymnasium			Mar 25	Gymnastics & Skat
Mo-Fr Mar 16-20 12:30-4:00pm	\$215 12245	Th	Mar 26	Bowling & Swim

Inclusion Support

To notify us that your child needs support in camp, please register online rdn.bc.ca/recreation in the Inclusion Support Request Program (barcode 11372). Support is dependent on staff availability.

Instructor: RLC Park Services Staff Moorecroft Regional Park Mo-Fr Mar 23-27 9:00am-3:00om \$190 11571

Spring Break Go Wild Outdoor Camp 6-9yrs

School's out and it's time to get out and play! Join in the action with games, crafts, swimming and local adventures in Qualicum Beach. Each day is filled skills through activities and game play. Focus is on with age appropriate activities that encourage creativity, participation and enthusiasm from all campers. Note: Five year old children, who are currently in kindergarten, are welcome to register.

Mo-Fr Mar 23-27 8:30am-4:00pm \$39/day

Express Camp at Spring Break 11-14yrs

A truly unique experience that is unmatched on the island. Jump in the RDN van with our youth leaders for an experience you will never forget. Youth turning 11 in 2020 are welcome to register.

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8:30	am-4:00pm	\$49/day
Tu	Mar 17	Swim & Movie
		Breakout Nanaimo & NI Wild life Recovery Centre
We	Mar 25	Gymnastics & Skating
Th	Mar 26	Bowling & Swim





Presents:

A guided discussion centered on Canadian Human Rights; soliciting advocacy and local resource development presented at the Parksville Community Conference Centre.

Feb 8 - "The Right to Food" with Graham Riches Mar 14 - "The Right to Shelter" with Renate Sutherland



Saturdays Feb 8 and Mar 14 from 1:30-3:30 pm

Tickets \$5.00 at the door

QF Gift Cards or Cash donations collected for Orca Place Food Program

		EES Calendar of Events
February	22	Knights of Columbus Free Throw Basketball Competition
	24	Professional Development Day – No School
	26	Pink Shirt Day
	26	Grade 3 Swim Program begins
	26	Grade 6/7 Dance 4:30pm-6:00pm
	28	Find Your Fit Career Event (Grade 6/7)
March	5	District Volleyball Tournament (Grade 6/7)
	6	District Chess Tournament
	10	Term 4 Exploratories begin
	10	DARE Program begins (Grade 5)
	13	Last day of school before Spring Break
	29	EES PAC Comedy Night – Fundraising Event at the Errington Hall
	30	School Re-opens after Spring Break
April	10	GOOD FRIDAY – No School
	13	EASTER MONDAY – No School
	17	Book Fair and PAC Movie Night
	21	Dad's Night Out – EES Gym 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
	22	Earth Day – wear blue/green!
	28	Grade 7 Health Conference
	29	Celebration of Learning
May	1	Conferencing Adjustment Day – No School
	4-8	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences as needed
	12	Term 5 Exploratories begin
	15	Professional Development Day – No School
	18	VICTORIA DAY – No School
June	25	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 by September 20th. All newsletters after today will be provided online and 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) _____ Classroom Teacher(s) _____

Student Grade(s) _____

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