



# NANOOSE BAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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***“At Nanoose Bay Elementary we learn by doing and thereby develop independent, curious, self-advocating learners.”***



February 24 <sup>th</sup>	Professional Development Day – Students do not attend.
March 8 <sup>th</sup>	Student Showcase of Learning 2:30-5:00
March 9 <sup>th</sup>	Student Showcase of Learning 5:00-7:30
March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Popcorn Day
March 13 <sup>th</sup> – 24	Spring Break – Students do not attend.
March 31 <sup>st</sup>	Pizza Day
April 7 <sup>th</sup>	Popcorn Day

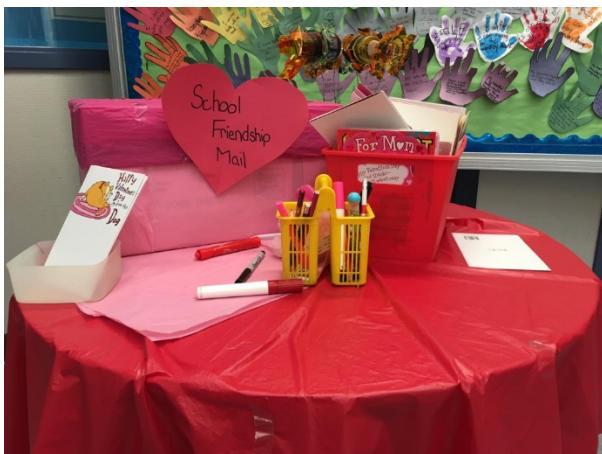


At NBES we learn by doing. Some examples that are being highlighted currently are our Business of Our Own classes that teach students about financial literacy, NBES Friendship Mail, focus on choose kindness, tower building challenges, papier-maché Brandt geese and fieldtrips.



Next Friday **Room 2** and **Room 11** students will be selling the products that they selected and, in most cases made, to the NBES community. Sales will be on **Friday, Mar. 3**. If you would like your child to be able to participate, please send them with spending money on Friday. Items will be between \$1 and \$5.

All month **our students** have been sending **friendship mail** to each other. The messages of care have been widespread and most appreciated.

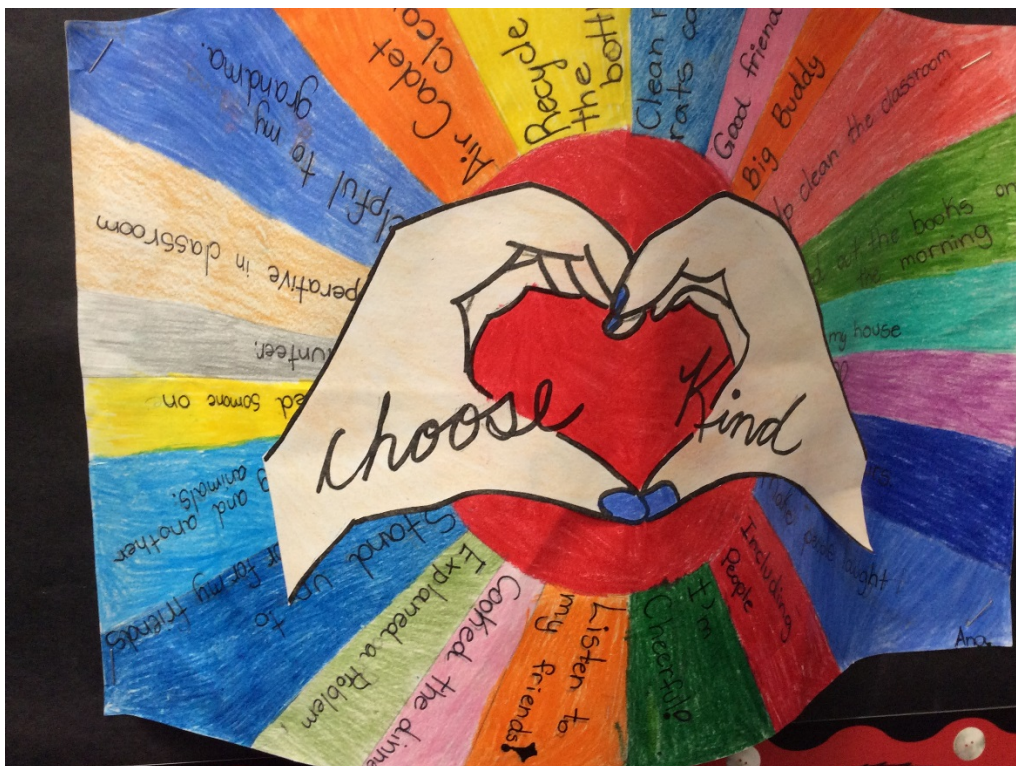


WE DIDN'T REALISE WE WERE  
MAKING MEMORIES, WE JUST KNEW  
WE WERE HAVING FUN



Room 2 has been spreading the message of 'choose kind'. Please see some of their thoughts below:

This year Room 2 has been **choosing kind** in various ways. One way we decided to show our kindness was to create a poster board detailing the many ways we have done kind deeds. We have chosen kind when we work with our little buddies, play outside at recess, donate toys to a thrift shop, recycle juice containers for the school, set up tents at Moorecroft, help cats get out of a trees, and volunteer for office duty. Room 2 students are Upstanders, which means, in the words of Harvey "Smokey" Daniels, building knowledge, becoming skilled researchers, and communicating thoughtfully- in the service of humanity not just ourselves.



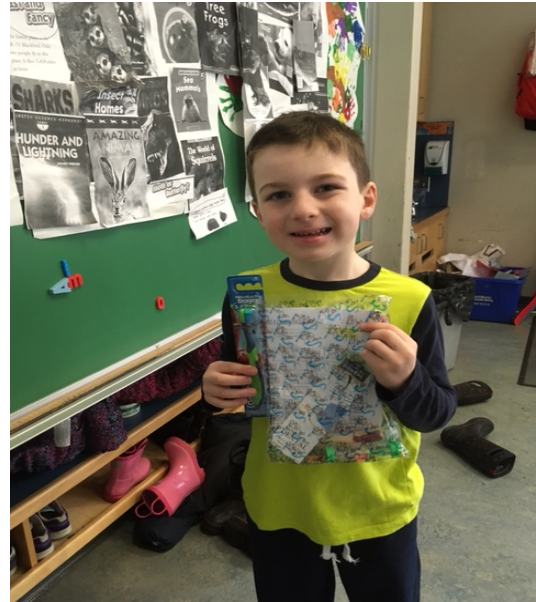
Room 8 was asked 'How tall can our team build a tower?' Problem solving, communication and teamwork in action!



Thank you to Kris Walker for your assistance in making geese with Room 9!



Our **community** is so welcoming to our learners. Our youngest learners went to Dr. Abdurahman's office for a tour.



We are very excited to welcome all families to see more of the ways we are learning by doing at our **Showcase of Learning** on **March 8th and March 9th**. Some highlights will be:

Wednesday, March 8th:

2:30- 5:00 - all NBES learning spaces open

2:30-4:00 - Room 4 students will sell their Business of Our Own products

4:30-5:00 - our Band will perform in the Gym

Thursday, March 9th

5:00-7:30 - all NBES learning spaces open PAC will have a **hotdog dinner available**

On either day, make sure to see Mrs. Brown in the Tech Hub beside the library to learn about some of technology initiatives. Including using iPads with the green screen and coding with spheros.



## Discovery Students

**Leadership discovery students** recently visited our **City Hall** to learn how community leaders support the needs of our community through strong leadership. They were able to participate in a 're-enactment' of a council meeting in order to learn first-hand how decisions are made at a community level. Students served in various roles including being councilors and the Mayor! The following are reflections from a few leadership students following that experience. Our thanks to the staff at City Hall for inviting us to participate in such a meaningful learning opportunity and to the NBES PAC for sponsoring this event!



Brett:

My experience at city hall was fun. I shared the Mayor's spot with Nathan. We asked lots of questions...most of them were answered. I also got to sit in the Mayor's chair for a meeting and got to wear the "chain of office" and was able to make big decisions. I also got to use the cool microphones that the Mayor and councilors use. They were really kind and showed lots of leadership. The experience was tremendous!

Nathan:

My experience at city hall was fun. I learned that the Feds get 50% of the taxes, the province gets 42% and our municipal government only receives 8% of the tax funds. They have to work as a team to make good decisions using this tax money. I realized that everyone has an important job and that the mayor is not the most important, but he really includes every councilor in making his decisions. I like using the microphones! I got to wear the 'chain of office' because I got to be the 'Mayor'.



Grace:

My experience at City hall was awesome! I learned that all the taxes we give to the government is split. The groups of government are Federal, Provincial and Municipal. Federal government gets 50% of taxes. Provincial Government gets 42% of taxes. Municipal government gets 8% of our taxes! Only 8%! Why could it not get split into thirds?

In the re-enactment I was the 'new business' item. The most fantastic thing of all, though, was to use the microphones. Bur the first time I spoke I forgot to turn it on! The chairs were comfy and the desk was polished wood! I wish I could go again! It was fun!

Audrey:

My experience at city hall was fun because I got to learn what it means to be a good leader. I learned that the police and fire chiefs do good things for our community, that the bylaws, safety and mayor's responsibilities are big decisions. I also learned that working as a team, loving what you do is important.





Council Championship

Date: February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Location: Springwood Elementary School

Doors open 9:30

Top 3 students in each age/gender category will represent NBES

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District Championship

Date: March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Location: Springwood Elementary School

Competition starts at 11:00 am

Top 2 students in each age/gender category will represent NBES

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## Donations Needed



Dear Families,

The students in Room 7 are looking for donations of small scrap pieces of **lumber** and loose parts (**nuts**, **bolts**, **washers**, **buttons**, **old keys**, **pipe**, **wire**, and other **interesting scraps** of **metal** and **plastic**...) for a project we have planned that will engage the students in the **Design Cycle**. If you have any supplies to donate please bring them to the office. Thank you! We look forward to sharing what we create!

# STUDENT SHOWCASE

**Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> 2:30 – 5:00 pm**

**Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 5:00 – 7:30 pm**

In addition to changes to our curriculum, the BC Ministry of Education is also changing assessment of student learning and how we communicate what we notice about student learning with families. Part of the shift we are being asked to make is to focus more on opportunities 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."

In response to these changes, our spring conferences this year will be student led. Each class will be open for families to tour and teachers will have worked with their students as to what and how to share their learning with families. In addition, there will be displays and opportunities to explore the learning happening at Nanoose Bay Elementary throughout the school. Families who have specific questions for teachers that they feel need private conversation, are encouraged to make appointments at a mutually convenient time. We look forward to seeing everyone on March 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-5:00 pm or March 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:30 pm. We suggest planning to be at school for 1/2 hour - hour to hear your child describe his/her learning.



As part of the NBES Celebration of Learning, the Gr.6/7 band will be performing from 4:30-5:00 on Wednesday March 8<sup>th</sup> in the gymnasium. See you there!



Are you moving?

If you know you will be moving and your child will not be attending NBES for the 2017-18 school year, can you please advise the office at 250-468-7414. Thank you.



Office hours have been changed to 8:00 am – 2:30 pm. If your child will be absent please call the school, 250-468-7414, and leave a message. If there is an emergency before or after office hours, please email Tandy Gunn at [tgunn@sd69.bc.ca](mailto:tgunn@sd69.bc.ca) or Trish Cathrine at [tcathrine@sd69.bc.ca](mailto:tcathrine@sd69.bc.ca) .

## PAC NEWS

This is an ongoing fundraiser throughout the year! :)



For just \$12 you will receive 1 coupon from Panago Pizza to enjoy ANY 1 medium pizza of your choice with all the toppings you want at no extra cost. You can order whatever your family enjoys, whether it's a plain cheese or a "specialty" pizza like Butter Chicken or even a Gluten Free pizza. For every coupon sold the school will receive \$4 of direct funding! Coupons are valid 90 days from when we distribute and can be used at any Panago location in BC.

Send in your order forms or see Mrs Hardy at the office to purchase your coupons.  
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A big thank you from all the  
students and staff for your  
thoughtful gesture of delivering  
all of us delicious cookies on  
Valentine's Day.  
You are the BEST!!!

# Hey Girls COME WITH US FLY

Abbotsford International Airport

Sat/Sun March 11-12, 2017  
9:00 am to 5:30 pm at  
Abbotsford International Airport

Females of all ages - come find out what's behind the fence,  
in the sky and under the hood at the airport!

- FREE flights for female first-time fliers of any age - previous airline flights excepted. Advance registration required for flights.
- Be amazed by hands-on activities and tactical displays from Aviation, Aerospace, Marine & Defence - Space too!
- Fun for the whole family! FREE!

**AN EPIC EVENT - You're invited!**

For more information:

[www.girlsfly2.ca](http://www.girlsfly2.ca)

Email: [info@girlsfly2.ca](mailto:info@girlsfly2.ca)

Phone: (604) 210-4033



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# WANTED!!!

## Volunteers needed - any age, any gender, any ability at the world's largest outreach event to inspire female future leaders in Aviation, Aerospace, Marine & Defence

The Sky's No Limit – Girls Fly Too! unique annual outreach events change lives! Our events are fun, hands on and completely **FREE** to ensure no barriers to participation. Free flights are available to female first-time fliers of all ages. All participants (male & female) are encouraged to explore the many hands-on activities, aircraft, and tactical displays. Families welcome! Be a community leader and valued team member helping to raise awareness of the incredible opportunities available to women in Aviation, Aerospace, Marine & Defence.

- *Inspire future leaders - from shop floor to top floor*
- *Share your skills with others*
- *Learn new skills and be challenged*
- *Give back to the community*

**Join us March 11-12, 2017  
9 - 5:30 at the  
Abbotsford International Airport**

For more information & to sign up please visit:

[www.girlsfly2.ca](http://www.girlsfly2.ca)  
(604) 210-4033





**OCEANSIDE  
YOUTH  
FOOTBALL  
ASSOCIATION**

**SPRING  
TACKLE FOOTBALL**

**ONLINE REGISTRATION AT  
[oceansideyouthfootball.ca](http://oceansideyouthfootball.ca)**

**LIONS PEEWEE Spring PROGRAM 2017**

Oceanside Youth Football Association invites 8 - 11 year old boys and girls to come join our Spring full contact football season. We will be practicing in Parksville; our games will be played in town and down island. We provide the equipment, you provide the enthusiasm. Even if you have never played before, we work on a ground up learning experience teaching football. If you have questions please email [oyfa.info@gmail.com](mailto:oyfa.info@gmail.com)(BORN: 2005,2006,2007,2008)

**LIONS JB Spring PROGRAM 2017**

Oceanside Youth Football Association invites 12 and 13 year olds to Join our Spring Program ,We will be practicing in Parksville; our games will be played in town and down island. We provide the equipment, you provide the enthusiasm. Even if you have never played before, we work on a ground up learning experience teaching football.

If you have questions please email [oyfa.info@gmail.com](mailto:oyfa.info@gmail.com)(BORN: 2003,2004)

ALL INSURANCE AND FEES TO PLAY ARE PAID with ONLINE REGISTRATION

NO personal Checks will be taken for insurance and fees.

Cost is \$180.00 for Spring Program

**WE are Lions,**



Register for the Atomic Jamboree! March 4, Grades 4-7 Boys and Girls!

**THIS FUN-FILLED EVENT FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 9-12 WILL RUN AS A CAMP IN THE MORNING, AND AS A ROUND-ROBIN TOURNAMENT IN THE AFTERNOON. ALL PLAY IS PARTICIPATION-BASED WITH AN EMPHASIS ON FUN, LEARNING, AND MEETING NEW FRIENDS! ATOMIC JAMBOREES ARE AN EXCELLENT INTRODUCTION TO VOLLEYBALL!**

Register at [volleyballbc.org](http://volleyballbc.org)



# Oceanside Softball Registration

Registration is now open for the 2017 season.

Register before March 15th to receive Early Bird price.

To register online visit [www.oceansidesoftball.ca](http://www.oceansidesoftball.ca)



Oceanside Minor Lacrosse is offering **FREE "Try-it" sessions at Springwood Elementary every Tuesday evening throughout February (7, 14, 21, and 28th).**

Boys aged 5-8 are invited to come try lacrosse from 6-7pm.

Girls aged 7-12 are invited to come try lacrosse from 7-8pm.

No gear is required to start, and sticks and balls are provided. For details, please see attached poster and flyers, and feel free to share information among your students. If your school would like information on lacrosse in schools please visit [www.lacrossefits.ca](http://www.lacrossefits.ca).



## **VIU's Milner Gardens 7th Annual Fairy House Surprise June 22 to 25, 2017**

Do you believe in fairies? Did you know fairies wear Foxglove flowers as hats, gloves, and petticoats?

Meander the sun dappled shadows of Milner Gardens on your self-guided search for areas [where](#) Fairy Houses may have magically appeared, in honour of International Fairy Day and Veronica Milner's belief in fairies.

Admission adults \$11, youth \$6.50, children 12 and under accompanied by an adult, Milner Gardens members, and current VIU students with card enter free.

June 22 to 25, 2017, 10am to 5pm (last entry 4:30pm).

Fairy Tea Time: 1pm - 4pm June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>

Served in the Queen's Room & Milner House patio

Tea & Fairy Treat \$8.95 + GST per person.

Sorry, no Full Afternoon High Tea and reservations when the fairies are in the garden.

Shuttle cart service prioritized for those with mobility challenges. Certified guide dogs only allowed.

For more info 250-752-6153 or <https://www2.viu.ca/MilnerGardens/>





**Register at [rdn.bc.ca/recreation](http://rdn.bc.ca/recreation)**

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

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

Find us on



Register now for Spring Break camps:

Camp Bigfoot 5-10yrs,	M-F Mar 13-24
Camp Kowabunga 5-10yrs,	M-F Mar 20-24
Claytime Creations Camp 6-11yrs,	M-F Mar 13-17
Gymnastics Camps 4-15yrs,	M-F Mar 13-17
Byte Camp - Claymation 9-11yrs,	M-F Mar 13-17
Adventures at VIU Deep Bay 7-10yrs,	M-F Mar 13-17
Youth Adventures at VIU Deep Bay 11-14yrs,	M-F, Mar 20-24
Go Wild Outdoor Camp 6-12yrs,	M-F Mar 20-24
Ezra Soccer Camps 3-12yrs,	M-F Mar 20-24
Spring Break Junior Golf Camp 7-12yrs,	M-F Mar 20-24
Spring Break Express Camp 11-14yrs,	M-F Mar 20-24

View details online [rdn.bc.ca/recreation](http://rdn.bc.ca/recreation)

### Drop in Gym and the Loom and Craft Room

Here's your chance to relax after school with friends with arts and crafts. A variety of craft and building materials will be available including Rainbow Loom, beading, Lego bricks and painting supplies. This session is held at the same time as drop-in gym. Mondays from 3:30-5:00 pm at the Former Parksville Elementary School. Use your 10X active pass to drop-in. View Child and Youth Drop-in schedules online: [rdn.bc.ca/recreation](http://rdn.bc.ca/recreation)

### Claytime Creations

Join local pottery artist Anne Marie Veale to learn the skills and creativity of wheel work and hand building. Create your own masterpiece with clay. Qualicum Commons on Tuesdays, February 7-28 or March 7-28 from 3:00-5:00 pm. \$92/4 sessions. An additional glazing session is also available.

### Art Strokes Pro D Camp

Parents this is your Pro D day solution. A day off school makes for a great day at camp filled with creative art in the morning and swimming in the afternoon. Qualicum Commons on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, cost is \$38.

### Home Alone

You know you are growing up when you get to stay at home alone, but there are a few things you should learn before you go solo. Our 'Home Alone' program will teach you to manage general safety, fire safety, emergency phone calls, dealing with strangers and a few snack ideas. Qualicum Commons on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 12 noon, cost is \$28.

### **BC Provincial Family Day Swim and Skate events**

Both Ravensong Aquatic Centre and Oceanside Place Arena are open to celebrate BC Provincial Family Day on Monday February 13<sup>th</sup>. Free admission to both of these events is courtesy of CUPE 401 and Province of BC.

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

Free Family Skate from 1:00 to 5:00 pm

### **FREE Teen Disco Skate**

Let DJ Allgood and flashing disco lights take you back in time. Disco costumes welcome! Sat Feb 18, 7:15-8:45pm. Free admission and skate rentals.

### **Winter Carnival Skate**

Brighten the winter days with a fun carnival on ice at Oceanside Place Arena. Participate in carnival games and win tickets to bid on prizes at the end of the skate session. Sunday, February 19 from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. R



## School District 69 (Qualicum)

### Notice to Parents Regarding: Cross-boundary Requests

Parents of students wishing to attend a school outside of their catchment area next year are required to submit an “Application for Cross-boundary Enrollment for Following School Year” form.

“Applications for Cross-boundary Enrollment for Following School Year” **must be submitted during the months of February and March (First Monday in February up to, and including, the last Friday in March prior to Spring Break).** Early applications will not be accepted.

- Cross-boundary requests submitted outside the noted time frame must be by way of “Application for Late Cross-boundary Enrollment” form.

District students making a cross-boundary application must FIRST be registered at their catchment school prior to being able to be considered for cross-boundary enrollment.

**Siblings of previously approved continuing cross-boundary students may apply directly to the cross-boundary school during this time frame only. If cross-boundary application is outside of this time frame, siblings of previously approved continuing cross-boundary students must register at their catchment school, based on their home address, and submit an “Application for Late Cross-boundary Enrollment” form.**

A student who has spent the previous school year in an approved cross-boundary placement at a District 69 school will be deemed to be a catchment area student for the duration of his/her attendance at the school. This status will be retained upon transition to the secondary school which students from that school would normally attend based on district catchment areas (A second cross-boundary application is not required for this transition).

Wherever possible, requests will be approved. The District does, however, reserve the right to rescind any approved cross-boundary transfers up to and including September 30. The decision to return a student to his/her catchment area school will be based on current legislation regarding class sizes and Board Policy 7015.

Transportation for a student choosing to attend a non-catchment school or District program is the responsibility of the parent.

Access to District Programs, are not subject to the cross-boundary application process. Access to these programs are based on availability of space, resources, and staffing. A cross-boundary application is not required.

Further information may be obtained from your school office or by contacting the District office at 250-248-4241.



Days in Session: 189 Days of Instruction: 180

**SCHOOL DISTRICT 69 (QUALICUM) SCHOOL CALENDAR 2017-18 DISTRICT**

<b>September 2017</b>	5	Schools Reopen (Regular Start Time – Schools dismiss three hours early) Ballenas and Kwalikum Secondary – Grade 8 students only
	6	Ballenas and Kwalikum Secondary – First day for Grades 9-12
	22	District-wide Planning Day
	25	School-based Professional Development Day – No school for students
<b>October</b>	Oct 10 – Nov 10	Conferencing in schools – Please refer to individual school schedule(s)
	9	<b>THANKSGIVING DAY</b>
	19	Conferencing Adjustment – Schools not in session
	20	Provincial Professional Development Day – No school for students
<b>November</b>	6-7	Secondary Provincial Exams
	10	Curriculum Implementation Day – Non-instructional day – No school for students
	13	<b>REMEMBRANCE DAY (OBSERVED)</b>
<b>December</b>	22	Last day of classes prior to Winter Vacation Period
<b>January 2018</b>	8	Schools reopen after Winter Vacation Period
	25-26	Secondary: Internal and Provincial Exams
	29	Secondary Semester II Starts
<b>February</b>	12	<b>BC FAMILY DAY</b>
	23	Professional Development Day – No school for students
<b>March</b>	Mar 5 – Apr 13	Conferencing in schools – Please refer to individual school schedule(s)
	16	Last day of classes prior to Spring Vacation Period
	30	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>
<b>April</b>	2	<b>EASTER MONDAY</b>
	3	Schools reopen after Spring Vacation Period
	27	Conferencing Adjustment – Schools not in session
<b>May</b>	18	Professional Development Day – No school for students
	21	<b>VICTORIA DAY</b>
<b>June</b>	25-27	Secondary: Internal and Provincial Exams
	28	Final Day for Students – schools dismiss three hours early
	29	Administrative Day

Prescribed minimum number of hours of instruction for **2017/18:**  
 873 hours of instruction for students in Grades 1 to 7  
 947 hours of instruction for students in Grades 8 to 12

### **Mayan Families Canada Fundraiser**

2017 Island Living Coupon Books are now available at the office. The link below is an online flipbook so you can view the book and it's coupons (Note: It is slow to load).

<https://www.yumpu.com/en/document/view/56224407/2017-island-living-coupon-book>

### **Rain ~ Wind ~ Snow**

With the heavy rain and wind we ask that you send your child with appropriate outdoor clothing for recess and lunch. Smaller children should have a change of clothes left at school. Thank you!

### **Criminal Record Checks**

If you have not completed a Criminal Record Check and are wanting to volunteer in a situation where you might find yourself alone with a child you must have one on file. A letter and forms are available at the office. Thank you!