



YOU "OTTER" KNOW

February 2nd – 6th



Bonjour Oceanside Families! 'uy skweyul!

Inclusive Classrooms Webinar

What They Are, Why They're Complex, and How Families Can Support Them

Date: Sunday, March 8, 2026

Time: 4:00–5:30 pm

Location: Live on Zoom

Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88484127588?pwd=SjsAaCbRDhWetw838cLjxQHsLiSIBQ.1>

This parent-friendly session supports families in better understanding inclusive classrooms, why complexity is part of the reality, and how families can support inclusion in meaningful and realistic ways.

The session will explore:

- What inclusive classrooms are designed to support, and why complexity is expected
- How inclusive classrooms can impact students with IEPs, peers, educators, and families
- Practical ways families can support inclusion through home conversations and respectful school partnerships

The workshop will be facilitated by Carly Eirikson, who works in inclusive education and school leadership and has extensive experience supporting students, families, and school teams.

Important note: This session is intended to support general understanding of inclusive education. It does not provide guidance on individual student situations, specific classrooms, or school-based decision-making.

Parents may submit general questions in advance (no individual student/classroom questions):

Deadline: Wednesday, March 4

Email: inclusivedesigninmind@gmail.com

ADST begins next week!

Maker space (Applied Design, Skills and Technologies) at EOES fosters practical, creative and innovative thinking through hands-on learning for students. This year, ADST is taught in the shop by Mdm. Stagg. Please ensure your child has their hair tied back and is wearing closed toe shoes on their ADST days. Mdm. Stagg is also looking for some donations (Please see poster) to support her program. We can't wait to see what the kids create!

Office Reminders

As you know, our office is a busy place! Ms. Cammy and Ms. Leta do an amazing job keeping track of attendance, registrations, field trips, finances, first aid, school events, sick kiddos, late arrivals, snacks, and so much more.

To help keep things running smoothly, we kindly ask that play dates and alternate pickup plans be arranged **the day before**. We love that the kids are building friendships, but the office is simply too busy to coordinate these arrangements during the school day.

Thank you for your understanding and support!



Important Dates – Mark Your Calendar

- Feb 5 BSS Open House Grade 8 Information Session
- Feb 10/11 Carnaval EOES!
- Feb 11 KSS Open House Grade 8 Information Session
- Feb 13 Professional Development Day – No school for students
- Feb 16 Family Day Holiday – School closed
- Feb 17 9:10 – 10:10 Ready, Set Learn in the Library for children birth to age 5

Maker Space /
ADST begins
February 8th -
end of June for
every student at
Oceanside School



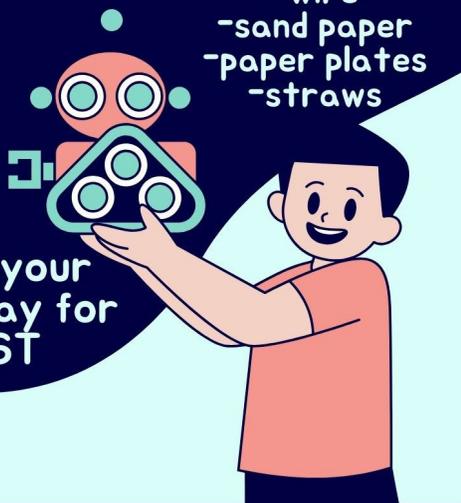
Safety First:
-Long hair must be
pulled back
-Closed toe shoes
only (no flip flops or
crocs)
-Hoodie strings must
be tied

Donations?
email Mme Stagg
sstagg@sd69.bc.ca

ISO
-lego
-marble runs
-K'Nex + blocks
-Clear totes
-Jewelry supplies
-wire
-sand paper
-paper plates
-straws



Check your
child's day for
ADST



Traffic Flow in Front of the School

The drive through drop-off area in front of the school is a 'kiss and go' area. There is no parking in this area. Please drive all the way forward, even if there is no one behind you. This area can back up quickly onto the road, causing safety concerns. Thank you for helping us keep the traffic flowing in our drop-off area.



Community Events

There is lots happening in the community! See our district page [here](#) for information on after school programs, sporting opportunities and more.

The Qualicum School District resides on Coast Salish Territory and within the shared territory of the Snaw'naw'as and Qualicum First Nations



Ready, Set, Learn!

Ready, Set, Learn is a free drop-in program for children from birth to kindergarten age and their caregiver with the intent of supporting children's transitions into school.

WHY ATTEND?

- Give your child a confident start to kindergarten.
- Build early skills through fun play, stories, songs, and art.
- Meet local families and school staff.
- Help your child feel comfortable in their future school.
- Get tips and resources from Early Childhood Educators.

Check out our website to book your spot: www.oblt.ca



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Building Successful Students

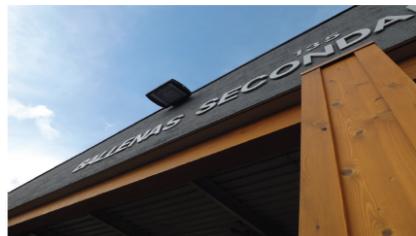


BSS Open House and 2026-2027 Grade 8 Information Session

Thursday, February 5th 6:30–8:00 PM

All parents and students who plan to attend Ballenas in the upcoming 2026-2027 school year are invited to our annual Open House. All Ballenas programs and departments will be on display throughout the school.

In addition, next year's Grade 8 students and families are invited to attend a special information session at 6:30 PM in our Auditorium.



Phone: 250-248-5721

Web: <https://www.sd69.bc.ca/school/BSS/Pages/>



GRADE 7 PARENT/STUDENT INFORMATION NIGHT AT KSS

★ **Wednesday, February 11th 6:30pm-8:00pm in the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR)**

★ An information night for parents of students entering Grade 8 in Sept. 2026

★ **Incoming grade 8 students and families to the KSS Learning Community**

- ★ **An Opportunity To:**
- learn about Kwalikum Secondary School and the Grade 8 program
 - learn about the class selection and transition process to high school
 - meet the administration and counselling team
 - walk through the school

parent workshop

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Hosted by your DPAC