

# Springwood Elementary School

Newsletter #14 June 23 , 2025



## Message from Principal

Dear Springwood Community,

As this school year comes to a close, I want to take this opportunity to recognize and sincerely thank everyone who made it so special—students, families, and staff—for the energy, care, and commitment you’ve brought to Springwood this year.

Our students have once again reminded us how much they can grow, how hard they’re willing to try, and how deeply they care for one another. Whether in classrooms, on the playground, or during school events, they have shown kindness, curiosity, and a willingness to grow. I’m incredibly proud of each of them.

To our parents and guardians—thank you for your trust and ongoing support. Your involvement has made a huge difference, whether through volunteering, supporting learning at home, or cheering on our kids from the sidelines. It truly takes a village, and we are grateful for this one.

A special thank-you goes out to our staff, who show up each day with dedication and care. Your creativity, professionalism, and unwavering support for every student make Springwood the amazing place that it is.


As we head into summer, we also celebrate transitions. Some students will be moving on to new schools or new chapters in their lives. We send them off with our best wishes and full confidence in

the skills and strengths they carry with them.

To everyone—thank you for helping make this year meaningful, memorable, and successful. May your summer be filled with sunshine, rest, laughter, and time with the people who matter most. Looking forward to another fantastic year ahead!

Sincerely

Jesse Witte

 **Last Day of Classes** – Thursday, June 26

Early dismissal at **11:45 AM**

**Springwood Elementary School - NEW START and END TIMES**

See attached

**SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULE**

School Hours and Bell Schedule	
9:00 a.m.	Class in Session
11:55 a.m.	Lunch Bell - Kids go outside
12:30 p.m.	Lunch Bell - Kids come inside
1:30 p.m.	Afternoon Recess - Kids go outside
1:50 p.m.	Afternoon Recess - Kids come inside
2:51 p.m.	Dismissal Bell
3:05 p.m.	After school warning bell
OFFICE HOURS	The school office is open between 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Absences may be left on the school voicemail outside of these hours.

**Fun Day June 25th**

PAC is excited for another Fun filled day. A few things to remember:

- 1. Please bring a towel and a change of clothes if you want to participate in fire department water event at end of day.
- 2. Please bring change for concession (juice,chips, freezie, Rice Krispy treats). Items are all \$1 each
- 3. Sunscreen and a hat are recommended.
- 4. Water bottle.
- 5. Follow all the rules to keep everyone safe.



If you have question please email [springwoodpac@gmail.com](mailto:springwoodpac@gmail.com)



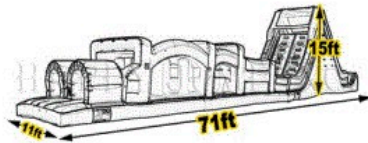
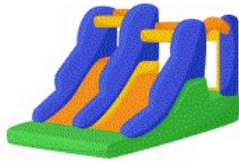
# Fun Day Information

**\*\*June 25th\*\***

- Please do not park in the back lot on this day.
- Fun Day is a free-for-all, except for the inflatables, which will have a scheduled time.
- During your designated class time for the inflatables, please come to the station to help supervise. (Chairs will be provided.)
- There will be two separate concession stands: one for primary students and another for intermediate students.
- This year, we ask that all classes bring out backpacks and any items from home, so students do not need to go back into the school at the end of the day.

## FUN DAY SCHEDULE 2025

Time	Activity
8:54am-9:00am	ATTENDANCE IN CLASS
9:00am-12:00pm	FREE PLAY INFLATABLES(CLASS TIME SLOTS) STAFF LOUNGE
12:00pm- 12:20pm	LUNCH EATING PERIOD IN CLASS
12:20pm-12:55pm	OUTSIDE RECESS
12:55pm- 1:10pm	ATTENDANCE AND COME UP TO FIELD WITH CLASS
1:10pm-2:20pm	TUG OF WAR
2:20pm-2:45pm	FIRE TRUCK, BUBBLES AND CHALK TILL BELL



9am	MILLER	KATZ/ BORTOLOTTO
9:20	PEARSON	ELVES/MACLEOD
9:40	DENT	WIDING/BASTERACHE
10	MITCHNER	PRICE/DAVISEN
10:20	FLETCHER	KILKENNY/MACKINNON/NOWAK
10:40	ISENOR	BROWN/MCMILLEN
11	EA time	NEUMEYER/HIGGS
11:20		PEPPER/SAVAGE

**My Ride K-12 Transportation Website/App - YOU WILL NEED THIS APP**

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The district is introducing a new Transportation App/Website service, My Ride K-12 that will be the primary method of communicating bus routing information to families moving forward. This service is available via a web browser and website or via a downloadable app which includes notification features. See the [Transportation](#) section of our website for more information and an FAQ and sign up instructions.

**School Supplies Grade 1 - 7**

Please see below School Supply information for 2025-2026.





**Springwood Elementary School**  
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Phone: 250-248-2038

Principal: Mr. Jesse Witte  
Vice-Principal: Mrs. Lauren Nikirk

Springwood families,

We are approaching school supplies for 2025/2026 the same way as last year. There will be a one-time school supply fee of \$55 for all students in grades 1-7. (Families with kindergarten students coming in the fall will receive communication related to that process.) We are able to keep the cost relatively low by obtaining special pricing and purchasing in bulk through our suppliers. If purchased individually, some of the lists can cost upwards of \$100.

In order to help families and to support the students with their learning, we feel this system is the best approach. This fee covers all supplies for the year with the exception of locks for lockers if older students wish to have one.

This has been working very well for the past few years and has streamlined things for families getting ready to go back to school in the fall. Teachers get the supplies they truly need. What one teacher needs for supplies another may not require. The fee also provides consistency for the students as everyone receives the same quality supplies. Our intermediate teachers often use the fees to fund technology resources. The fee covers all physical materials needed for learning, as well as giving students access to online learning programs that enhance student knowledge and engagement, and make learning more accessible, both in the classroom and remotely.

We will open up School Cash Online in mid-August for payment with a due date of September 30th. Families can pay the fee online, or via cash or cheque. If you would like to pay your fee before September, payment can be dropped off at the Springwood office. Please keep in mind that cheques will not be deposited until late August or early September.

If you need financial assistance, please contact the front office or Principal, Jesse Witte.

Jesse Witte  
Principal

## Kindergarten School Supplies 2025-2026

Please see below Kindergarten School Supplies 2025-2026



### Springwood Elementary School KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2025 - 2026



Dear Parents of Kindergarten Students for September 2025

At Springwood Elementary School, we provide a service of ordering school supplies in bulk. This allows students to have quality items at a very good cost. It also allows us to purchase hard to find items such as special triangular pencils which are optimal for beginning writers.

The Kindergarten cost for school supplies is \$40.00. This can be paid online by going to [qualicum.schoolcashonline.com](http://qualicum.schoolcashonline.com). Select to register your child and pay the fee through the online program. This is the way most future fees throughout your student's school journey will be paid. You may also access this link through the Springwood website on the home page under links "School Cash Online."

If you choose to pay before September please bring payment to the Springwood office.

All students in Kindergarten will also require a full change of clothing which will remain at school, including: a pair of pants, a shirt, underpants, and socks. Please send these items to school inside a labelled ziploc bag in September.

Students also require a pair of non-marking velcro shoes that stay at school and a backpack to carry materials to and from school.

Please print your child's name on all articles of clothing, shoes, lunch kit and water bottle.

## LOST AND FOUND

Be sure to check the **LOST AND FOUND** as all items will be donated at the end of the school year if not claimed.



## SES Spirit Wear

Spirit Wear is back in full force! Every Friday staff and students show their school spirit by wearing their Springwood gear.

T-Shirts \$22.00

Hoodies \$35.00

Hats \$30.00

Toques \$22.00

Please see the front office for purchase. Cash or Cheque accepted.

If you would like to use the online option, please contact Candice in the front office.



## Upcoming Dates - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

June 25th Fun Day (9:00 to 2:45 pm)

June 26th Year End Assembly 9:15 am - 10:15am

June 26th Kindergarten Graduation 11:00 am

June 26th Learning Updates to Parents

June 26th - Final Day for Elementary Students - School dismiss three hours early 11:45 am

June 27th Admin day - no students

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## Contact Us

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Community Events

See attached below



**CELEBRATE CANADA DAY IN QUALICUM BEACH - JULY 1**

**FUN FOR ALL AGES**

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
Legion Garden  
8:30 am - 11:30 am

**OPENING CEREMONY**  
Cake Cutting at 1:00 pm

**LIVE MUSIC ALL DAY**  
Local Bands on Stage  
Performances by the  
Q Jumpers,  
Mike Jarvis Group  
& Cheers!

**JOIN THE CELEBRATION ON VETERANS WAY!**

Cake Cutting Ceremony	BBQ Hotdogs & Hamburgers
Ice Cream Dreams	Extended Beer Garden
Kid Zone with Games	Local Entertainment
Bouncy Castles	Dunk Tank
Face Painting	...And More!



**EVENING STREET DANCE**  
Featuring  
**The APOLLO**





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## Introduction to Golf for Girls 7-12

**BCGA Zone 6 Women's Organization is pleased to offer:**

Free introduction to golf for girls aged 7-12 to help grow the sport of golf for females into the future.

Where: **Qualicum Beach Memorial Golf Course**

When: **July 5, 12 and 19, 4-5pm.**

Who: **For girls aged 7-12 new to the game of golf**

Teachers: **Pro shop staff from Qualicum Beach Memorial Golf Course**

Cost: **Free, all equipment provided**

This free clinic is sponsored by Zone 6 Women's Golf to grow the game of golf for junior girls with the goal of developing a love for the game.

Registration is limited. Please contact the QBMGC Pro shop to register your future female golfer.

Phone: **250-752-6312**

Questions: contact Teena Walz [teenawalz@live.ca](mailto:teenawalz@live.ca) or 250-752-6325

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