

Springwood Elementary School

Newsletter #5 December 12, 2025



Message from Principal

Dear SES Families,

The countdown to Winter Break is officially ON, and the excitement around the school is absolutely energizing !

Here's everything you need to know for our Winter Break Lead-Up Week: December 15–19 — and wow, it's a big one!

❄️ Winter Concerts – **Wednesday & Thursday, December 17 & 18 6:00–7:00 PM** both nights
Doors open at 5:30 pm

Our students have been working hard, and they can't wait to shine on stage! We'll have dress rehearsals in the afternoons, but those will be a little chaotic while we're still setting up chairs, staging, and sound.

➡️ The evening shows are definitely the best time to come and enjoy the full experience!

Winter Wonderland Skate – Thursday

school for skating. Heck of a deal! In

Get ready for some magical moments on the ice at the arena!

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ntals!

- Each class has a scheduled skating time (see below). If you would like to volunteer you must communicate with the classroom teacher as well as have a current criminal record check on file with the school.

Thursday December 18th

- Ms. Widing
- Mr. Davidsen
- Mrs. McKinnon
- Mr. Friesen
- Mr. McMillen
- Mr. Savage
- Mr. Neumeyer
- Mr. Dodd

Friday December 19th

- Ms. Fletcher
- Mr. Bortolotto
- Ms. Welz
- Ms. Holder
- Mrs. Price
- Mrs. Roberts
- Mr. Nowak
- Mrs. Pepper

- We love skate helpers – if you'd like to join us on the ice, please remember you'll need a valid Criminal Record Check.

- **And the BIG rule: everyone on the ice MUST wear a helmet – yes, even adults!**

Friday, December 19 – Last Day Before Break

It's our final day before we dash into the holidays!

Please make sure your child brings home all their belongings so nothing gets left behind for two weeks.

We hope the upcoming break brings your family rest, laughter, cozy moments, and time to enjoy the simple joys of the season. We can't wait to welcome everyone back, bright and refreshed, on Monday, January 5th!

Sincerely,

Jesse Witte

Principal

LOST AND FOUND

Please have a look through the lost and found today or tomorrow. On Monday, December 15th, the students will be allowed to go through and take what they want or need. This system seems to work fairly well as for many years now we take multiple large garbage bags at Christmas to the SOS for donation and we would rather see items stay within our school community.

Bell Schedule 2024-2025

NEW Bell Schedule

School in Session - 9:00 am

Lunch Bell - kids go outside - 11:55 am

Lunch Bell - kids come inside - 12:30
Afternoon Recess - kids go outside -
Afternoon Recess - kids come inside - 1:30 pm
Dismissal Bell - 2:51 pm
Outside Supervision Ends - 3:05 pm
Office Hours - 8:00 am to 3:30 pm

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.

Candice Nikirk
School Accounts Secretary
Springwood Elementary
250-248-2038

Upcoming Dates - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Dec 17th - Winter Concert - 6 pm (doors open at 5:30 pm)
- Dec 18th - Winter Concert - 6 pm (doors open at 5:30 pm)
- Dec 18th - Winter Wonderland Skating
- Dec 19th -Winter Wonderland Skating
- Dec 22-Jan 2- Winter Vacation



Winter Wonderland

Free Leisure Skate for Families with Children 0-8yrs



Monday December 15, 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Oceanside Place Arena

Skate, play and connect.
Enjoy a skate at Winter Wonderland on the ice, then join us in the multipurpose room for activities with our sponsors.

Sponsored by:



SOURCES



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ACRA

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

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Community at Christmas

Creating the magic of Christmas
for local residents since 1968



Drop-in to register

Starting Nov. 18, low income families and individuals can register at the SOS Community Services Centre in Parksville from 9:15 am - 11:30 am and 1:15 pm - 3:30 pm, Monday - Friday. Parents and grandparents receive help providing gifts for children and youth, and grocery gift cards are provided to adults, seniors and families. Proof of residence, income and picture ID are required for all household members. CareCards, birth certificates or passports are acceptable ID for children.

Support the program

Financial donations: Donate online, by phone or in person.

Gift donations: New, unwrapped gifts can be dropped off at the SOS Community Services Centre in Parksville: Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 4:30 pm. Attend a local event benefitting the program, or locate an SOS Angel Tree at a participating business.

Thank you for helping create magic for residents in need!

SOS Community Services Centre

www.sosd69.com | 250.248.2093 ext. 229

245 Hirst Avenue West, Parksville

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Books by Thomas Meehan/Music by Charles Strouse/Lyrics by Martin Charnin
Original Broadway Production Directed
by MARTIN CHARNIN

Annie

QUALICUM BEACH SCHOOL OF DANCE

Village Theatre Qualicum Beach

January 9th to 18th



Info and tickets @ www.ticketowl.io/qbsd

Is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).
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www.mtishows.com

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DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2026

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Junior Curling

 **Parksville Curling Club**

Fun for everyone
8-17 years old!

\$50
Winter season

Mondays 3:45-5:15 pm January to March

For more information or to register
email juniorleague@parksvillecurling.com
Reserve your spot!



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 parksvillecurling.com

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Community Information

To support awareness of erase resources within school communities, the Ministry of Education and Child Care has developed new erase infographics for [parents/caregivers](#).

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