

## EMCS Weekly Message for May 19th, 2017

Thankfully sunshine and warmer temperatures are expected for a well-deserved long weekend. This is a great time to recharge and focus on the finish line as timelines grow tighter with only 23 days of classes left. Staying engaged and organized will not only feel great but give your student some time to have some fun at some of the events happening over the next few weeks at EMCS.

### **EMCS Paint Off**

Congratulations to this year's participants! Thank you to the almost 200 people who voted for their favorite painting. By a difference of ONE vote this year's winner is Savannah Lundquist with Honorable mention to Jennifer Laharty.

The **Athletics Awards Ceremony** is Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. All students who participated on a school team and their families are welcome to come join us in celebrating another successful year of sports at EMCS. Tickets are \$5.00 each and go on sale Monday May 15th in the office. We look forward to seeing you May 24<sup>th</sup>

**Yearbooks** are available to purchase; they can be paid for with cash or with a cheque made out to "School District 62". Please see a yearbook member in the commons at lunch to purchase or drop by the office outside of class hours.

### **EMCS Musical Theatre, Art and Film present – Time Flies**

Can we learn valuable lessons from the past? Come see how a female riveting team from the 1940's helps passengers and staff get through a sticky situation. Time Flies is an original story by EMCS Musical Theatre and runs each evening June 7<sup>th</sup> - 9th at 7 pm. Tickets are available at EMCS, Journey Middle School and Shoppers Drug Mart.

### **PAC Needs Help!**

Message from PAC: The PAC AGM is on June 7th and we are going to need to elect a new President and Secretary. Thanks to Robin and Amber for their service! Above all, the PAC needs a President in June, as Gaming rules require at minimum a Treasurer (John B.) and a President (?). No Gaming means no \$\$\$ for sports, scholarships, field trips, awards, all that good stuff our students have come to rely on. So it's important! If you have a child at EMCS, please consider putting your name forward. The Prez job can be pretty much limited to chairing the meeting once a month and signing the cheques. While the job is what you make it, this is not a group where anyone is looking to take on a bunch of extra work! EG NO FUNDRAISING!

### **Grad Tickets**

**Grad tickets are now off reserve and so those families who wish to purchase more than 6 tickets can do so.**

The UVic Ticket Center has a list of all of our grads who are currently on the grad list. At this point, most of our grads have made the list. The ticket center will only complete sales to families of students on the list. Please remember that the 3 tickets that are included with the grad fees must also be booked through the ticket center. (Please see attachment)

### **Grad List requirements include:**

- on track to graduate in June with enough credits
- passing all required courses
- completing any required distance learning courses
- turning in all Grad Transitions packages
- turning in a Grad Comment to the office
- returning any overdue library books and/or missing textbooks
- paying the Grad Fee and any other fees at the office

The Grad List will be updated daily with a final deadline of **May 26**. **Students not on the Grad List by May 26 will not participate in the graduation ceremony.**

### **Scholarship and Bursary Updates**

**Some scholarships and bursaries with application deadlines in May:**

- Beacon Community Services Scholarship
- Betty Spalton Scholarship
- CST Learning Matters Bursaries
- CST Scholarships
- Janice Lee Blue Wave Bursary
- Metchosin Foundation Scholarships
- Shirley Women's Institute Bursary
- Sooke Minor Fastball Bertha Hanna Bursary
- Sooke Minor Fastball Finn Kennedy Bursary
- Federation of Community Social Services of BC - Youth in Care Bursary
- UFCW & OFG Joint Diversity Scholarship
- Visual College of Art & Design of Vancouver scholarship
- Evening Optimist Club of Victoria Bursary
- Sooke Principals' and Vice Principals' Association Bursary
- Sooke Principals' and Vice Principals' Association Scholarships
- Reid Kyfiuk Memorial Scholarship
- Clean Energy Scholarship
- Sooke Fine Arts Society Visual Arts Award
- Rotary Club of Victoria-Harbourside Post-Secondary Scholarships

For more information on scholarships and bursaries, see the EMCS website... *Graduation* under the *Students* tab

### **A look ahead...**

**May 12<sup>th</sup> – Non-instructional day**

**May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Victoria Day**

**May 24<sup>th</sup> – Athletics Award Evening (7-9pm)**

**May 26<sup>th</sup> – Final Deadline for Grad List**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> – Leadership Bottle Drive @ EMCS (10am – 2pm)**

June 2<sup>nd</sup> – **Grad Practice @ UVic – bus leaves EMCS at 9 a.m. sharp.**

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June 3<sup>rd</sup> – **Grad 1pm at UVic**

June 7<sup>th</sup> – **PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm**

June 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> – **Final Projects Night**

June 15<sup>th</sup> – **French Immersion Grad (5:30pm)**

June 15<sup>th</sup> - **Major Awards Night (7pm)**

June 24<sup>th</sup> – **Prom at the Empress (7-11pm)**

June 29<sup>th</sup> – **Last day of school & report card pick up**