

## EMCS Weekly Message for December 1st, 2017

The entire EMCS community is excited about 10,000 Tonight and we are reaching out to the public to ensure its success. This year, we have a particular need for volunteers along with donations of nonperishable items. We will also be accepting donations of clean, new or gently used socks, gloves, toques, and other items of clothing. Early donations can be dropped off from now until Dec.13 in the EMCS front office, and there are donation boxes for non-perishables throughout the community. Cash donation tins can be found at both Village and Western Foods with all donations collected going directly to the Sooke Food Bank. If you are not able to access a donation box, the EMCS Leadership class along with volunteers will be canvassing many Sooke neighborhoods on December 13th. Your support in helping us reach our goal of 10,000 items is much appreciated!

If you would like to volunteer for the event, please use the link below to sign up. If you would like to drive, please contact the office for the necessary requirements.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4ba4a62ba3f49-10000>

### Reporting an Absence

Reporting a student absence is as easy as sending an email to [emcs@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:emcs@sd62.bc.ca), by calling 250-642-5211 and leaving a message, or by replying to the auto dialer you receive. Please state your student's name and the duration of the absence and it will be recorded as excused.

### Munch Cards for Eddie M's

Munch cards are now available to purchase online! Eddie M's is our amazing cafeteria that serves hot meals and snacks during break and lunch. Please visit <https://www.schoolcashionline.com/> for a great stocking stuffer idea for your student. Please note, in order to make the purchase, an online consent must be completed if you haven't already done so.

### Bus Passes

Bus passes have arrived and can be picked up in the office. Transportation requires that bus passes must be shown to the driver to prove registration.

### EMCS Band Winter Concert

Our talented musicians are preparing the EMCS Band Winter Concert, featuring the Concert Band and Student Soloists on December 7th at 7 PM in the EMCS Theatre. Admission is by donation.

### Grade 12 Checklist

The Grade 12 Checklist has been updated and is available on the EMCS website. (*Students* tab.... *Graduation* sub-tab... *Information & Announcements*)

## **Scholarships and Bursaries**

The EMCS Financial Aid Handbook has been updated and is available on the EMCS website. (Students tab.... Graduation sub-tab.... Scholarships, Bursaries & Student Loans)

This booklet is a must-read for Grade 12 students planning to apply for scholarships and bursaries this year.

## **Important Upcoming Dates:**

**Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>** – EMCS Winter Band Concert (7pm in the EMCS Theatre)

**Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>** – 10,000 Tonight from 5pm to 9pm

**Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>** – PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm (PAC will be helping with 10,000 Tonight!)

**Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Santa's Breakfast and last day before the Break

**Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>** – School Re-Opens

**Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>** – PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm

**Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>** – Final Projects Night

**Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>** – Term 2 Ends

**Jan. 25-26<sup>th</sup>** – Provincial Exams