

EMCS WEEKLY MESSAGE FOR February 22 2018



It is our **EMCS Open House** tonight and we hope to see many of our current families as well as our future families here this evening! The school opens up at 6:30 and it promises to be a fun and informative evening with our teaching staff showcasing the variety of programs that EMCS has to offer. Whether you spend a few minutes or stay for the evening there will be plenty of information to be shared. Everyone is welcome!

Important this week:

Grade 12 Checklist

The Grade 12 Checklist has been updated and is available on the EMCS website. It is imperative that all grade 12 students read this carefully and complete graduation requirements. We are here to help if students and parent have questions.

<http://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2016/10/EMCS-Grade-12-Checklist-updated-Oct-2017.pdf>

Scholarship & Bursary Information Updated

The EMCS scholarships/bursaries database was updated February 18. The database contains over 100 scholarships and bursaries.

Scholarship and Bursary Applications Due in March

- Sooke Minor Hockey Scholarship
- Vancouver Island Amateur Hockey Scholarship
- Trevor Linden Community Spirit Scholarship
- BC School Trustees Association Student Citizenship Award
- BC Soccer Scholarship
- Quest for Excellence Bursary

The EMCS Financial Aid Handbook has been updated and is available on the EMCS website.

<http://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/students/grade-12-information/scholarship-bursaries-student-loans/>

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

Upcoming:

NAV CANADA's Explore Aviation Summer Camp is happening this summer for 20 girls entering Grade 10 in Cornwall, Ontario. Their mission: one week of learning, fun and friendship with a focus on aviation. This all-expenses-paid camp uses hands-on learning to give them the chance to explore exciting aviation-

related careers. Please note that timelines are tight as applications close March 9, 2018. More information is available at: <http://navcanada.ca/EN/careers/Pages/Explore-Aviation-Summer-Camp.aspx>

Grad Fashion Show & Silent Auction presented by the EMCS Grad Class of 2018

Wednesday, March 14th

7pm

EMCS Theatre

Tickets will be available for sale in the main office (cash or cheque only), online through our School Cash Online program and at Shopper's Drug Mart. <https://sd62.schoolcashionline.com/>

Attention Grads - If you are attending prom this year, you may want to take a look at The Magic Wand Project. This is a non-profit organization that rents dresses and tuxes to students, charging only the price of cleaning. They are now accepting appointments. www.themagicwandproject.ca

Attachments:

Exciting Opportunities Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Sooke for Grade 11 & 12 Students

Please let Mr. Phipps know by email (aphipps@sd62.bc.ca) as soon as possible if you are interested in any of the adventures included in the attachment. If multiple names are brought forward, Rotary Club representatives will conduct interviews to decide who they sponsor. All costs (registration, transportation, meals, accommodation) are covered by Rotary Club of Sooke. Thank you to the Rotary Club of Sooke for offering this amazing opportunity to our students.

Skills Canada Competitions & Hiring Fair at Camosun Interurban Campus – March 7th. Please see the attachments for more details.

HELP SUPPORT VICTORIA SCHOOLS! Come to the Langford Costco for our School Fundraiser Weekend! Please see attachment.

Looking for summer employment? Worklink will be hosting a Sooke Region Job Fair. Tuesday March 27th, 2018 - 10am - 12:30pm at the Prestige Oceanfront Resort in Sooke. Find your next summer or full-time job by meeting some of the Sooke region's best employers! Please see attachment.

Pre-sales for the 2017 – 2018 EMCS Yearbook are now available through our School Cash Online program. <https://sd62.schoolcashionline.com/> Please, remember that you won't see the item available until you have completed the consent for your student. Yearbooks are \$45 each and will be available for pick up at the end of June. Instructions are attached.

District Online Consent Portal

This is a web-based tool to efficiently collect parents' consent for a variety of activities. The intention is to replace paper-based forms. The system has been live for a few months; if you have not completed your consents either by paper or online, please follow the instructions attached.

EMCS Program Office

New classes are starting – please see attachment.

Social Media Awareness + Parenting the Digital World on May 16th @ 7pm in the Belmont Theatre – see attachment.

Important Upcoming Dates:

February 23 – Non Instructional Day
February 27 – Talent Show
February 28 – Course Selection Forms are due
February 28 – Anti Bullying/Pink Shirt Day
March 1 – Hockey Banquet
March 14th – Grad Fashion Show
March 17-April 2 – Spring Break/ Easter
April 3 – School re-opens