

EMCS WEEKLY MESSAGE FOR April 19 2018



Volunteers are needed for the Second Annual 10,000 Tonight Spring out of Hunger Food Drive on Wednesday, April 25th from 5-9pm. Volunteers are needed to drive students around to pick up donations in the community or stay at the school to count and sort the food items. If you are driving, please make sure you've filled out a volunteer driving form from the office!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4ba4a62ba3f49-100001>

Upcoming

Parents: Please call the school for a password for a Satisfaction survey. These annual surveys give us valuable insight and only take a few minutes to complete.

http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm

For anyone interested in some leadership opportunities you are in luck! There are two awesome upcoming leadership conferences that would look great on your resume and any scholarship applications. The Summit at the Bay is from April 21-22nd <http://rethinkthinking.ca/summit-at-the-bay-2018>

National Day of Mourning – April 28.

The National Day of Mourning, held annually in Canada on **April 28**, is dedicated to remembering those who have lost their lives, or suffered injury or illness on the job or due to a work-related tragedy. We will raise the canary flag on Friday April 27 at 8:15. All staff and students are encouraged to attend.

The Sooke School District and Pacific Design Academy are partnering to offer a 4 week Graphic Design summer program for free! The program will be July 3rd, to July 30th. Please contact the Career Centre if you are interested in applying.

UVIC Registration 101 - Wednesday, May 16 during the 2nd D block in Room 2029

All students who intend to study at UVIC should attend to learn how to plan your schedule, figure out what courses to take, and register in classes. **Please sign up in advance on the sheet on Mr. Phipps' office door.**

The We Leadership Conference is from May 16-18th and is free! These conferences are a great way to build your leadership skills and hang out with youth who want to make a difference in their school and community. For more information or to register for either of these conferences, please see Ms. White as soon as possible! All are welcome to go!

Congratulations!

Leigha Auld, our only SD62 wrestler placed 7th at the Canadian National Wrestling championship this weekend in Edmonton. Leigha had a fantastic start including one match winning with a pin, but was later upset in another match due to an injury placing her in 7th. It was a great end to the season and she looks forward to continuing training this spring and competing in the BC Summer Games in Cowichan in July.

Congratulations to Edward Milne Skills Canada competitors and supporting teachers, who won Bronze in Robotics at the recent Skills Canada competitions! No other school on the island (or from the lower mainland) placed in the top three.

Attachments:

EMCS Program Office

New classes are starting – please see attachment

Are you looking for an evening of music and comedy that the whole family can enjoy? Then don't miss the SD 62 PACE Musical Theatre production **THE GREATEST SHOW!** , April 20-28 at the Isabelle Reader Theatre – see attachment

AP Studio Art Graduation Exhibit – April 21 - 27, 2018 - see attachment

Teen Stress Buster Workshop

Saturday, April 21st - see attachment

'Taking Action' Leadership Conference

Saturday, May 5th - This is a great opportunity for youth to engage with community leaders, and learn more about the issues facing their communities. MP Alistair MacGregor will be the event's keynote speaker, while other presenters include guests from organizations such as Our Place, Education is Power, and Island Sexual Health - see attachment.

Grad Ceremony Tickets

Available May 8th at 9:30am - see attachment for details

Raising Digitally Responsible Youth

Tuesday, May 15th – see attachment

Aboriginal Education Recognition Celebration

Wednesday, May 23, 2018 – see attachment

Important Info for Grads

Grad TAG: This is an activity that is also not school sanctioned, although the students have informed the administration that they will be playing this game. Please talk to your child about this game if they are participating. We want our students to be safe. It has also come to our attention that senior students

are organizing a party through a local company to take place on Friday, April 20th. This event is not organized nor supported by the school. As always, we encourage parents to guide their children in making safe decisions with regard to social situations and driving.

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>

Grad Ceremony

The Grad Ceremony section of the website has been updated please see the link below for the Grad List requirements and the ticket booking info from UVIC, etc.

<http://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/students/grade-12-information/graduation-ceremony/>

Scholarship & Bursaries

Applications due in April

- Harry DeSwagger Big Brothers / Big Sisters Scholarship
- Lower Island Soccer Association Scholarship
- Sooke Soccer Club Scholarship
- BC Hockey Scholarship
- Public Guardian and Trustee Educational Assistance Fund
- CUPE Local 459 Bursary
- Education Facility Managers Association of BC Bursary
- Jim Hebden Chemistry Bursary
- Ken Dryden Scholarship
- Michael Potter / Rotary Club of Victoria Harbourside Bursary
- Victoria Diocesan Catholic Women's League Bursary
- Juan de Fuca Soccer Association Dirk Darley Scholarship

Applications due in May

- **School** Awards Applications (**May 7, 8:45am** to Mr. Phipps)
- Most **Local** Awards applications (**May 7, 8:45am** to Mr. Phipps)
- Sooke Minor Fastball Finn Kennedy Bursary
- Sooke Minor Fastball Bertha Hanna Bursary
- UFCW & OFG Joint Diversity Scholarship
- The Federation of Community Social Services of BC Youth Education Bursary
- Janice Lee Blue Wave Bursary
- Sooke Principals' and Vice Principals' Association Scholarship
- CST Scholarships and Bursaries
- Judy Bourne Memorial Scholarships
- Orchid Bursary

Important Upcoming Dates:

April 19 – Learning Conferences and Early Dismissal

April 20 – Non-Instructional Day

April 25 – Spring out of Hunger

May 1 – Grad List Posted

May 4 – Non-Instructional Day

May 8 – Booking opens for Grad Ceremony Tickets (must be on the Grad List)

May 9 – PAC Meeting

May 25 – Deadline for Grad List

June 2 – Graduation Ceremony

June 6-8 – Musical Show

June 13 – PAC Meeting

June 14 – Major Awards Ceremony

June 15 – Prom

June 28 – Last Day of School