

## EMCS WEEKLY MESSAGE FOR June 21 2018



EMCS regular class instruction is complete and assessments and final exams continue through next week.

Provincial exams and assessments:

- The first **numeracy assessment** is tomorrow and is **imperative for graduation**. **Grade 11** students with a last name ending **A-K will be writing tomorrow, June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:45 - 11:00** and students with the last name ending **L-Z will write Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> from 12:45 - 3:00**.
- **English 12** as well as **English First Peoples - Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup>**
- **Communications 12 -Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**.

If you are unsure of the expectations for next week or the final provincial exam schedule for your student, please contact their teacher, administration or the office.

**Yearbooks** are available for pick up on **Monday, from Mr. Stephens in 2026**.

**Report cards will be ready for pick-up from 9am-12pm on June 28<sup>th</sup>**.

### New Opportunity!

EMCS is happy to announce that we will be offering a new Guitar 9-12 elective in 2018-2019. The course is open to complete beginners as well as experienced players. **As we are in the process of creating student schedules now, if your child is interested in this elective please notify the appropriate school counsellor by email as soon as possible.** Space is limited. The course description is below.

School counsellors are:

Sharon Jesson ([sjesson@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:sjesson@sd62.bc.ca)) – Last names A to L

Allan Phipps ([aphipps@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:aphipps@sd62.bc.ca)) – Last names M to Z

#### ***Introduction to Guitar 9, 10, 11, 12***

*No experience necessary. Description: This is an introductory course for Grade 9-12 students, although is open to students who have experience playing guitar. A step-by-step method. Starting with the basics, students will learn chords, scales, popular riffs, theory, strumming patterns, finger picking, note reading, symbols and technical terms, rhythm, maintenance and ear training. The course is structured to teach students to be knowledgeable musicians and to enjoy the opportunity to play great, classic music. The Blues and contemporary songs are used throughout the course to aid in developing technique and facility on the guitar. Assessment: Written work, playing tests, practice records and participation. In Class Material Cost: Students provide an acoustic guitar.*

## Congratulations!

**Congratulations** to all the students who have received major awards; please return the school trophies as soon as possible and they will be proudly displayed in the foyer cabinets.

## Attachments:

**Youth Health Clinics Westshore/Sooke** – see attachment.

**WorkBC – Employment Services Centre** – Looking for the right career path? See attachment.

### **SIP Summer Programs are available and registration is open!**

These programs are for students in grade 8 – 10 and will run for the following weeks:

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| Carpentry  | August 13 - 17 | 9:00am - 2:30pm |
| Welding    | August 13 - 17 | 9:00am - 2:30pm |
| Automotive | August 20 - 24 | 9:00am - 2:30pm |

## Scholarships and Bursaries

### Some Scholarship / Bursary Applications Due in June

- Jack Farley Sports Achievement Award
- Monsanto Canada Opportunity Scholarship
- Elmer Helm Youth Fund
- Herman Rebneris Student Carpentry Award
- AbbVie and IBD Scholarship (Crohn's and Colitis Foundation)
- Engineers and Geoscientists of BC Engineering Transfer Scholarships
- Engineers and Geoscientists of BC Engineering Scholarships
- Automotive Retailers Foundation Bursaries and Scholarships
- Association of School Transportation Services of BC Commercial Heavy Duty Scholarship
- Victoria Operatic Society Scholarship
- Constable Sarah Beckett Memorial Scholarship

## Important Upcoming Dates:

**June 22-27** – Numeracy Assessments and Provincial Exams (Gr 11 Numeracy, English 12, English First Peoples 12 and Communications 12)

**June 28** – Report card pick up (9am – 12pm)/Last Day of School

**August 28 and 29** – Timetable pick up

**September 5<sup>th</sup>** – First day of school for Grade 9s only

**September 6<sup>th</sup>** – First day of school for all students

Further information about school start-up for 2018/19 will be emailed to families over the summer.