

This Week at EMCS



Edward Milne Community School

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September 16, 2021

We would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Esquimalt Nation and Songhees Nation on which Royal Bay Secondary is built, and the nations that SD62 works with, Beecher Bay SCIA'NEW Nation, T'Sou-ke Nation, and Nuu-chah-nulth Pacheedaht Nation to the west.

We recognize the territory, the First Nations peoples, and thank them for sharing this beautiful land. Hych'ka – Coast Salish Kleco Kleco – Nuu-chah-nulth



The Weekly Schedule :

Monday	Sr. Girls' Volleyball practice 3:30-5:15
Tuesday	Cross Country practice 3:20-4:15 Jr. Girls' Volleyball practice 4-5:30
Wednesday	Wellness Centre open 9:30-3:00
Thursday	Cross Country practice 3:20-4:15 Sr. Girls' Volleyball practice 3:30-5:15
Friday	Jr. Girls' Volleyball practice 4-5:30

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Important dates to Remember:

Sept 16	Picture Day
Sept 27	Pro –D—students not in session
Sept 29	Orange Shirt Day
Sept 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation—students not in session
Oct 11	Thanksgiving —students not in session
Oct 21	Great Canadian Shakeout
Oct 22	Pro –D —students not in session
Oct 25	Picture Day Retakes
Oct 29	Hallowe'en Dress up
Nov 11	Remembrance Day —students not in session
Nov 15	Quarter 2 Begins
Nov 18	Early dismissal(3 hours early)
Nov 19	Pro –D —students not in session
Dec 17	Last Day of school before Winter Break
Jan 4	School re-opens
Jan 12-14	Grad Photos
Feb 2	Quarter 3 Begins
Feb 18	Pro –D —students not in session
Feb 21	Family Day —students not in session
Mar 18	Last day of school before March Break
Apr 4	School re-opens
Apr 7	Early Dismissal(3 hours)
Apr 8	Pro –D —students not in session
Apr 15 & 18	Good Friday & Easter Monday —students not in session
Apr 19-22	Grade 12 Capstone Presentations
Apr 27	Quarter 4 begins
May 13	Pro –D —students not in session
May 23	Victoria Day —students not in session
June 2	Grad Rehearsal– tentative
June 4	Grad—tentative
June 18	Prom—tentative
June 29	Last Day of school

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Please visit our website at:
<https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/staff/>
for teacher contact information

EMCS PAC Corner

2021-2022 PAC Executive Members:

Meetings will be held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm via MS Teams

President: Glyse Clarkston
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Vice President: Vacant

Treasurer: Shauna Eiriksson

Secretary: Olivia Hollinger
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SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Vacant

Communications Officer: Vacant

Please join us at our next EMCS PAC meeting

October 12th, 2021 @ 6:30 pm

[Click here to join the meeting](#)



*If you wish to attend the online meeting or volunteer with EMCS PAC please email glyseclarkston@gmail.com.
Thank you!*

Around the school



Welcome back! It can be an adjustment returning to a regular high school day. Parents, please encourage your students to come to school prepared for the whole day with lunches and clothing appropriate for the weather. Thank you!

IMPORTANT CONSENTS NEEDED! Hello families, we still have a number of empty consent forms, please complete your student's consent for Daily Student Health Check Agreement **as soon as possible.** <https://consent.sd62.bc.ca>

Thank you Mr. Kemshaw for all your work in the school's garden!

Read more here: [Does your library have catnip? \(activehosted.com\)](https://activehosted.com)



Growing tasties with Sooke students

Matthew Kemshaw has spent his summer tending to libraries. They take a lot of maintenance—he even had four students enrolled in a work experience program, and two volunteers. They're not really libraries, though. He likens himself to a lab technician, but they aren't precisely laboratories either. They're gardens. But don't picture your standard second-graders growing peas in styrofoam cups.

COVID/Communicable Diseases information—Masks are required for students, staff, and Visitors. **If you're planning on visiting the school please** call ahead to schedule your visit with a specific staff member, and complete the health check [here](#) before arrival.

The **EMCS Wellness Centre** will be available to students again this year, with a nurse available 9:30am-12pm and a doctor available 12pm-3pm starting September 22nd.

Student Vehicles – please register student vehicles by clicking [here](#). A parking pass will be sent through your classroom teacher.

The Cafeteria is Open for Business! - The Cafeteria is now open for business, serving snacks and beverages during the morning break, and meals, sides and desserts at lunch. Students can pay by cash or debit in the Cafeteria, or purchase Munch cards on School Cash Online.



Opportunities for Everyone

BCIT Forensics Info Session (online)

Monday, Sept. 20 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Students and parents are invited to sign up to learn about BCIT's various Forensics programs.

Please register here: <https://www.bcit.ca/event/bcit-forensic-science-and-technology-information-session-5/>

Gulf Islands Cadet Camp—Gulf Islands Fire Rescue Cadet Camp March 21-26, 2022. The Gulf Islands Fire Rescue Cadet Camp guides courageous youths through an intense week of hands-on training. The camp is run by Pender Island Fire Rescue in association with Salt Spring Fire Rescue, and runs every two years. Cadet Camp Applications are now open, and must be submitted before Sept 22, 2021 Apply now at www.cadetcamp.ca

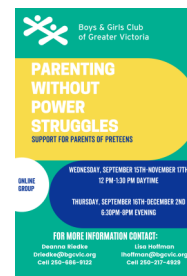
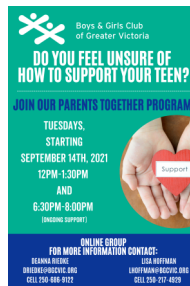
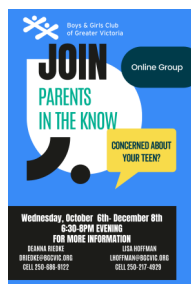
College and University Applications—Application for most colleges and universities opens in September or October. Check the websites of schools of interest for this year's dates and deadlines. For information on post-secondary education, including the application steps, see the post-secondary section of the EMCS website at:

<https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/counselling-centre/post-secondary/post-secondary-career-information/>

Important Information about Camosun College—Application for Camosun programs opened September 15. Several Camosun programs are filled on a first come, first served basis so it is important to apply as soon as possible.

Need help with post-secondary applications? For assistance with post-secondary applications, book an appointment to see your school counsellor: <https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/counselling-centre/book-a-counselling-appointment/>

Parenting Groups—The Boys and Girls Club of Greater Victoria is pleased to offer a range of parenting programs this fall. *Parenting Without Power Struggles* is for those with youth aged 9-12. *Parents in the Know* is designed for those with teens aged 13-18, and *Parents Together* is for those with youth aged 13-24. Both daytime and evening programs are available. All groups are online at this time. In order to participate in a group, please see the attachments for details below.



School Volunteer Information

Wondering how to get a criminal record check, driver's abstract, etc in order to volunteer in our school? Find the package on our website at <https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/volunteer-information/>