

EMCS News



Edward Milne Community School

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November 24, 2021

EMCS would like to acknowledge the Coast Salish Territory, specifically we would like to acknowledge T'Sou-ke Nation, who have been gracious enough to share the beautiful land on which EMCS is built. We would also like to acknowledge Scia'new Nation, Nuu-chah-nulth: Pacheedaht Nation, and Métis Nation whom EMCS and District 62 work closely with.



Ready for post-secondary September 2022? Check out page 5 for information and updates that will prepare you for the next step in your education!

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM

The Weekly Schedule :

Monday	Concert Band 3:20pm-5:00pm Sr. Boys' Basketball 3:30pm-5pm
Tuesday	Jr. Boys' Basketball 3:30pm-5pm
Wednesday	Concert band 7:30am-8:30am Wellness Centre open 9:30am-3:00pm Jr. Girls' Basketball 3:30pm-5pm Jr. Boys' Basketball 5pm-6:30pm
Thursday	Sr. Boys' Basketball 7pm-9pm
Friday	Jr. Girls' Basketball @ lunchtime
Saturday	Sr. Boys' Basketball 7pm-9pm

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Important Dates to Remember:



Nov 17-Dec 24	10,000 Tonight online donations open!
Dec 8	10,000 Tonight event
Dec 14	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
Dec 16	Student locker cleanout
Dec 17	Last Day of school before Winter Break
Dec 17	Santa's Breakfast
Dec 20-Jan 3	Winter break
Jan 4	School re-opens
Jan 12-14	Grad Photos
Feb 1	Quarter 2 "I" Day
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 26	Quarter 3 "I" Day
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 staff contact information

Around the school

Congratulations to the Senior Girls Volleyball team who finished their gruelling season this past weekend! These ferocious Wolverines earned the 8th place at the Island Championships this past weekend (there were 8 teams, lol). The athletes performed their best by diving, covering tips, hitting with great power and consistency, and serving aces! For every single game at the Championships the girls showed grit - for every point! They caught the eye of Camosun Charger's Women's Head Coach, who later invited EMCS players (as a team) to Camosun's volleyball camps and to explore post secondary and club ball. As coaches, we are so proud of these Wolverine's! Highlights from the Island Championships included awards to Players of the Game: **Justice (game 1), Laura(game 2), Izzy (game 3), and Giulia (game 4**, this one was awarded by the other team). ALL players did a fantastic job this season! Most of the Senior Girls team are Grade 12's, so we sincerely wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors! Go Wolverine's Go!

Sooke Public Library Card Initiative—The EMCS Library Learning Commons is kicking off a year-long initiative to get all EMCS students signed up with their free public library card! This card gives students access to a vast collection of books, audiobooks and ebooks that complements what we have in our school library. Email our teacher librarian, Rhiannon Jones, at rjones@sd62.bc.ca if you consent to sharing your child's name and address with the public library.



The Cafeteria is back! After a short transition between Quarters 1 and 2 the Cafeteria is once again open, and better than every! Munch cards are available through [School Cash Online](#), or students can pay in the Cafeteria. Menu below:



Monday Nov 22	Tuesday Nov 23	Wednesday Nov 24	Thursday Nov 25
<i>Macaroni and Cheese with Seasonal Veggies</i>	<i>Chili Con Carne with Jalapeno Cornbread</i>	<i>Chicken Cacciatore</i>	<i>Schnitzel with Spaetzel and Hunter Sauce</i>
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<i>Potato Leek Soup</i>	<i>Split Pea and Ham</i>	<i>Corn Chowder</i>	<i>Creamy Spiced Parsnip Soup</i>
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<i>Asian Coleslaw</i>	<i>Potato Salad</i>	<i>Southwest Quinoa Salad</i>	<i>Roasted Beet Salad with Goat Cheese and Balsamic</i>
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<i>Potato chips and Dip</i>	<i>Sweet and Spicy Chicken Wings</i>	<i>Cauliflower Parmesan Bites</i>	<i>Lemon Grass Pork Patties</i>
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<i>House Smoked Pastrami Sandwich</i>	<i>Ham and Cheese Panini</i>	<i>Hummus and Veggie Wrap</i>	<i>Croque Monsieur</i>
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<i>Chocolate Mousse</i>	<i>Berry Crumble</i>	<i>Cheesecake</i>	<i>Strawberry Trifle</i>
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Opportunities/Resources for Everyone

Looking for volunteer hours? The Canadian National Cyclocross Championships are being hosted at Bear Mountain from November 25-28. This national cycling event will be incredible for the entire region. Volunteers can sign up at: <https://www.bearcrossgrandprix.com/volunteer>.

Women in Trades Virtual Event- Monday December 6th, 2021

Activity: Women in Trades Virtual Meet & Greet for Female High School Students

Location: Zoom (accessible from a computer or mobile device)

Date: Monday, December 6th, 2021

Time: 6:30 PST pm, end at 8:00 PST pm

Cost: FREE!

The Coquitlam School District (SD43), in partnership with BCCWITT will be presenting a zoom session for female high school students interested in trades. This virtual session is available to students in grades 8-12 and is open to ALL school districts in BC. [Read more by clicking here](#), or speak with our Careers department!

The 10,000 Tonight Campaign has begun! Donations can be made online by clicking on the “Donate” button to the right, or on our website. Stay tuned for more details to come!



Christmas Wreath Workshop

Hosted by Edward Milne Community School Society
with Bountiful Bay Farm & Nursery



Saturday, November 27th 1:00-3:30 pm
at Edward Milne Community School

We supply everything you will need to make an 18-24" wreath with a decorative bow including head greenery and festive ornaments.

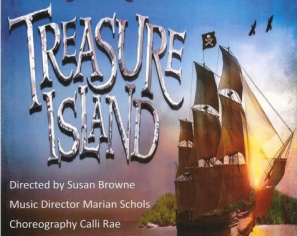
Please bring your own garden gloves and hand pruners if you have them.
Hot chocolate and cookies will be provided.
\$65 + GST with limited class size. Masks are required.

Sign up at www.emcsprograms.ca/wreaths

Sooke Harbour Players

Presents

A Ben Crocker Pantomime



Directed by Susan Browne
Music Director Marian Schols
Choreography Calli Rae

November 26, 27, 28, and December 3, 4, 5

At the Sooke Community Theatre, E.M.C.S. 6218 Sooke Road

Tickets \$20, \$15, Seniors and under 16

Tickets available at Steek-in-the-Mud (cash only) or call 250-435-9410

Covid-19 precautions as mandated by BC PHD will be in place at these performances

Don't forget to check out the many opportunities available through EMCS Societies! Visit <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/>

EDWARD MILNE *Community* SCHOOL SOCIETY



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GET INVOLVED

In light of the extreme weather events we have experienced in our province last week, there have been significant impacts to students, families and staff. The first and most important support for children and youth are their family. Here is some general information for how to support your child/children:

Providing [social emotional support for your child](#).

A [useful list of resources](#) that may be helpful.



Grade 12 Updates!

Make sure to check the [Grade 12 Timeline](#) for a list of important dates and things to do during your Grade 12 year!

November

- ♦ Check for the updated list of post-secondary info sessions taking place.
- ♦ TBD: Capstone Activity Log #1 is due.
- ♦ First draft of your scholarship/bursary letter of application should be done.
- ♦ Transcript Verification Report: This report will be mailed home in late November or early December. The report contains your demographic information as well as completed courses, credits, and courses in progress. Ensure all information is accurate. See your School Counsellor if there are any errors on the report. The name on the TVR will be as it appears on your high school diploma which will be mailed to the address listed in the summer following graduation.
- ♦ If you failed a Quarter 1 course, this may impact your ability to graduate and/or be admitted to post-secondary programs. See your School Counsellor if you have questions.

Scholarships and Bursaries—interested in updates regarding scholarships and bursaries? Please join the “**Scholarships 2021-2022**” group on the Wolverine App and/or visit the [scholarship & bursary section](#) of the EMCS website for step-by-step application instructions, a large database of scholarships/bursaries.

NEW! The M'akola Development Services' Tom Finnie Indigenous Trades Bursary has six [bursaries](#) of \$2,500 each to be awarded to Indigenous students enrolled in a trades program. The **deadline for applications is November 30**.

And the KĒL, KĒLOŦEN ŦE S,ISTEW Education fund. This is a \$5000 award to a student who identifies as an Indigenous, First Nations, Inuit, or Métis person from BC and who might have a desire to pursue a career in the Architecture and Engineering industry. There is a bit more information on the poster and at this link: www.indigenoussaeaward.ca

Post-Secondary Information Sessions:

[Simon Fraser University Fall Webinars](#)—SFU is hosting several webinars for potential future students from September to December. Click the link above for details and to register.

[Discover UVic](#) -November 29, 4:00PM | [Register](#)

[BC Post-Secondary Virtual Fair](#)—Choose from: December 1 & 7, from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm. To register, click [HERE](#).

[University of Victoria Faculty Open Houses](#) - Students can register for these faculty open houses, [here](#).

November 25, 5:00PM – Science

November 29, 5:00PM – Social Sciences

November 30, 6:00PM – Humanities

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EMCS Society Review

A community school is both a place and a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources. Its integrated focus on academics, services, supports, and opportunities leads to improved student learning, stronger families and healthier communities.

Since June 1987, the EMCS Society has worked to build partnerships with individuals and organizations in the community to provide life-long learning opportunities for people of all ages in the Sooke region. The Society oversees educational, cultural, and social programs, projects, and services developed to meet the needs of the community and optimize educational outcomes for vulnerable students. As well as sponsoring a wide range of community education programs and fostering regional partnerships, the Society manages the Sooke Community Theatre, acts as a fiscal host for the Sooke Youth Council/Youth Engagement Program and the Sooke Region Literacy Program. The Society is also a member of the Sooke Region Volunteer Centre, Volunteer Victoria, the Sooke Community Health Initiative (Sooke CHI), and the Association for Community Education in BC (ACEbc).

Every five years School District 62 (Sooke) policy calls for a review of the society, an online survey will serve as one element of the data that will inform this review. As parents/guardians of a student at EMCS, you can expect to receive an email invite to participate in this survey. You are encouraged to participate in the survey and help to form the direction the Community School and Society takes in the future.

UVic Awareness

UVic has had ongoing issues surrounding large crowds, unlawful behaviours, and general disorder on weekends throughout the Fall semester. It has come to the attention of UVic and the Saanich Police Department that many of the participants are high school students and persons from outside our local community. UVic would like to remind high school students that gathering, loitering, or congregating at non-university events by persons who are not UVic community members (students, employees, and faculty) are prohibited on all property owned or occupied by UVic. UVic has requested the proactive assistance of the Saanich Police Department to prevent a recurrence of these concerning events through the enforcement of the *Trespass Act* and other related statutes.

Thank you for your assistance.

Cst Eric Misener #278

Saanich Police Department

Community Engagement Division

School Liaison Officer/Safe Place Coordinator

EMCS PAC Corner

Meetings will be held the 2nd Tuesday of each month virtually and in person!

Join us at our next EMCS PAC meeting:

December 14th, 2021 @ 6:30 pm in the EMCS Seminar Room,

Or [click here to join the meeting online!](#)

November 2021 PAC Meeting Minutes

If you are interested in joining the PAC as vice president or SPEAC Rep (district PAC) please reach out to us.

If you want to advocate, support, contribute, advise, assist, or enhance EMCS come to a meeting! No commitment needed, join online or in person, one-hour meetings once a month. PAC can encourage involvement with your community and school. What are you waiting for? It's just a click away.

2021-2022 PAC Executive Members:

President: Glyse Clarkston
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Vice President: Vacant

Treasurer: Janine Houchin

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

Communications Officer: Vacant

