

# EMCS NEWS



## Edward Milne Community School

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### September 16, 2022

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.

<b>Monday</b>	Concert Band 3:20pm-4:30pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Div 1 & 2 Jr. Girls Volleyball practice after school
<b>Wednesday</b>	Concert band 7:30am-8:30am
	Wellness Centre open 10-3:30pm
	Div 2 Jr. Girls Volleyball practice after school
<b>Thursday</b>	Div 1 Jr & Sr. Girls Volleyball practice after school
<b>Friday</b>	Volleyball Team Open Gym After School

### CENQOLEW – THE DOG SALMON RETURN TO EARTH (September)



## Important Dates to Remember:

<b>Sept 19</b>	Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day—no school
<b>Sept 21 &amp; 22</b>	Weed Out the Risk Grade 10 Presentations
<b>Sept 24</b>	International Program Family Day
<b>Sept 25</b>	Athletics Bottle Drive
<b>Sept 29</b>	Orange Shirt Day
<b>Sept 30</b>	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation—no school
<b>Oct 1</b>	Girls Volleyball Bottle Drive
<b>Oct 3-14</b>	Clothing Sales
<b>Oct 10</b>	Thanksgiving—no school
<b>Oct 11</b>	PAC Meeting at EMCS 6:30pm
<b>Oct 17-21</b>	Grad Spirit Week
<b>Oct 19</b>	Grad Assembly
<b>Oct 21</b>	Pro-D—students not in session
<b>Nov 1</b>	Picture Retakes
<b>Nov 10</b>	Quarter 1 Ends
<b>Nov 11</b>	Remembrance Day—no school
<b>Nov 14</b>	Quarter 2 Starts
<b>Nov 14-18</b>	Grad Pictures
<b>Nov 24</b>	Early Dismissal(3 hours) P/T Conferences
<b>Nov 25</b>	Pro-D—students not in session
<b>Nov 28- Dec 9</b>	10 000 Tonight Campaign
<b>Dec 12-16</b>	Winter Spirit Week
<b>Dec 15</b>	Locker Clean Out
<b>Dec 16</b>	Santa's Breakfast
<b>Dec 20-Jan 2</b>	Winter Break
<b>Jan 7</b>	Athletics Bottle Drive
<b>Jan 31</b>	Quarter 2 Ends



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Students A to L & International

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Students M to Z

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Please visit our website at:

<https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/staff/>  
for staff contact information

Fall 2022

# LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

## around EMCS

### MONDAY



**BEADING CLUB**  
With Kristi in the Seminar Room



**BADMINTON**  
In the gym



**WEIGHT ROOM OPEN**  
Everyone welcome

### TUESDAY



**BOARD GAME CLUB**  
With Ms. Jones in the Learning Commons



**ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB**  
Learning Commons



**BASKETBALL**  
In the gym



**WEIGHT ROOM OPEN**  
Everyone welcome

### WEDNESDAY



**MODERN LANGUAGES CLUB**  
Learning Commons  
See Ms. Loepky for info.



**FUTSAL & INDOOR SOCCER**  
In the gym



**WEIGHT ROOM OPEN**  
Everyone welcome

### THURSDAY



**LEADERSHIP MEETING**  
Learning Commons



**YOGA**  
With Kristi in the Seminar Room



**VOLLEYBALL**  
In the gym



**WEIGHT ROOM OPEN**  
Everyone welcome

### FRIDAY



**CREATIVE WRITING**  
With Ms. L'Heureux in the Learning Commons



Come spend your lunch in the learning commons or on our patio any day!

### COMING SOON



**GSA**  
Talk to Ms. Verhoeven for more info.



**BOOK CLUB**  
Sign up with Ms. Jones or Greer in the library



**GARDENING IN THE GARDEN**  
Everyone welcome

\*New students must complete an Orientation before using the weight room. See Ms. Hunter for info.



2022-2023 SEASON IS HERE

## WESTSHORE JUNIOR RUGBY

**JR VALHALLIANS**

**U14 & U16**

**Tues 530-630pm**

**Thur 530-630pm**

**U18**

**Tu/Thu 8-9pm**

**JR VALKYRIES**

**U14, 16, 18**

**Wed 530-7pm**

**Fri 530-7pm**

**All Jr games on Sundays**

**GAMES BEGIN SEPT 18**

WESTSHORE RUGBY CLUB  
1767 ISLAND HIGHWAY. (JDF FIELDS)



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WWW.WESTSHORERFC.COM



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## Bottle Drive

To help support the Athletic teams within the school community

Collection Date:

**September 25th**

Drop-off Location:

EMCS Parking lot near the Gymnasium from 9:30am-4:00pm

250 642 5211





For more information & other information on Athletics within EMCS please contact:  
edudzlk@sd62.bc.ca



Thank you for supporting us with your donation!

## Parenting Programs (online)

BGC Victoria is offering a variety parenting programs. Please see the attached posters for details.

 <b>CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR TEEN?</b> <b>JOIN OUR PARENTS IN THE KNOW PROGRAM</b> <b>14 SEP - 16 NOV</b> <b>WEDNESDAYS, 6:30PM-8:30PM</b>  <b>ONLINE GROUP</b>  <b>FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT</b> Lisa Hoffman: 250.217.4929 <a href="mailto:parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org">parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org</a>	 <b>VIRTUAL ONLINE GROUP FOR PARENTS OF PRETEENS</b> <b>PARENTING WITHOUT POWER STRUGGLES</b> <b>EVENING</b> <b>15 SEP - 17 NOV</b> <b>THURSDAYS, 6:30PM - 8PM</b>  <b>FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT</b> Lisa Hoffman: 250.217.4929 <a href="mailto:parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org">parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org</a>
 <b>DO YOU FEEL UNSURE OF HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR TEEN?</b> <b>JOIN OUR PARENTS TOGETHER PROGRAM</b> <b>STARTING 13 SEP</b> <b>TUESDAYS</b> <b>6:30PM - 8PM</b>  <b>ONGOING SUPPORT</b>  <b>ONLINE GROUP</b>  <b>FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT</b> Lisa Hoffman: 250.217.4929 <a href="mailto:parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org">parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org</a>	 <b>DO YOU FEEL UNSURE OF HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR TEEN?</b> <b>JOIN OUR PARENTS TOGETHER PROGRAM</b> <b>STARTING 13 SEP</b> <b>TUESDAYS</b> <b>12PM - 1:30PM</b>  <b>ONGOING SUPPORT</b>  <b>ONLINE GROUP</b>  <b>FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT</b> Lisa Hoffman: 250.217.4929 <a href="mailto:parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org">parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org</a>



**International Program Family Day:** There will be an International Program Family Fun day on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> (at Belmont) . We are looking for 2-3 students that have Food Safe to help with “manning” the food. Two to three people are needed to set up, clean up trays, etc. as items get eaten to keep things looking clean. And then final clean up at the end.

**Details:** Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>  
Belmont  
10am – 2:30pm  
\$100 honorarium for their time.

### **UBC Future Global Leaders ... a pre-university program for students ages 15 to 18**

This is an exciting pre-university program, offered online and in-person, for high school students ages 15–18.

The program allows students to try an academic course taught by UBC professors and instructors, get a taste of life at a top-tier university, and prepare to succeed beyond high school. Courses are delivered either in-person or online, and are offered in the fall, spring, and summer.

#### **UBC President Bursary Program**

The UBC President Bursary program was set up to support **grade 11 high school students in British Columbia** to attend [UBC Future Global Leaders](https://extendedlearning.ubc.ca/programs/future-global-leaders-oncampus/ubc-president-bursary-program?utm_campaign=Digital%20Mail%20Out%202022&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Eloqua). Each bursary is valued at \$850 to \$3,160.

[https://extendedlearning.ubc.ca/programs/future-global-leaders-oncampus/ubc-president-bursary-program?utm\\_campaign=Digital%20Mail%20Out%202022&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=Eloqua](https://extendedlearning.ubc.ca/programs/future-global-leaders-oncampus/ubc-president-bursary-program?utm_campaign=Digital%20Mail%20Out%202022&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Eloqua)

### **Free Suicide Prevention Workshops for Anyone Aged 15+**

Canadian Mental Health Association (BC Chapter) is **hosting two FREE [safeTALK](#) suicide prevention workshops**. They will be taking a \$10 deposit from participants to secure a spot in the workshop; however, the deposit will be refunded if the workshop is completed (or if the participant cancels more than 48 hours before the workshop). If you are interested in attending, please see below for details. Just a reminder that no experience is necessary to attend a safeTALK training – it is appropriate for anyone in the community aged 15+ who feels willing and able to learn about how to help someone who is having thoughts of suicide. Currently, we have scheduled:

safeTALK – Suicide Prevention Training Workshop  
Wednesday October 5th, 2022  
9:00am – 12:30pm  
Colwood Pacific Activity Centre

**Register: [HERE](#)**

**Apply Now to Camosun College:** Camosun College applications opened **September 15**. **Many Camosun programs are filled on a first applied, first admitted basis**. Grade 12 students planning to start at Camosun in September 2023 should apply now. See your counsellor if you have questions.

**Student Instructor Assistants Needed:** We are looking for 2-3 responsible students in grades 9-12 with an interest in fine arts to mentor children in grades K-4 while assisting the Junior Art and Junior Theatre classes. This is a great opportunity for students looking to gain credit towards BC Ministry of Education's volunteer work experience graduation requirements. Students who volunteer for our fall 2022 term (September - December) and demonstrate responsibility and commitment to their volunteer role will be invited to apply for a paid position for our spring 2023 term (January - June). Full details at: <https://amberacademy.ca/career-opportunities>

## EMCS Society Events, Programs & Updates



**School Seed Celebration:** In partnership with Farm to School BC, we invite you to join us for a brief presentation on seed saving and why we love it. We will talk about the exciting emergence of seed libraries in our schools and communities on Vancouver Island. The Vancouver Island Regional Library will be present to share seedy resources with everyone. Join Edward Milne Community School's students on a garden tour with the option to join in for some hands-on activity stations. September 15 3:30-5PM. Details and Registration here: <https://farmfolkcitofolk.ca/event/school-summer-seed-celebration-in-sooke/>

**First Aid:** <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/first-aid> Sep 17 & 18th

**Food Safe:** <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/foodsafef> Sep 24th

**Mushroom Workshop:** <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/mushroomworkshop> Sept 18th

**Lean Team:** <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/lean-team> every Tues, Thurs and Saturday

**Kickboxing:** <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/kickboxing> every Tues, Thurs and Saturday

# EMCS PAC Corner

EMCS PAC meetings are held monthly on the 2nd Tuesday of Each Month

Next Meeting: October 11, 2022 @ 6:30pm



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.

## **2022-2023 PAC Executive Members:**

President:	Glyse Clarkston	<a href="mailto:glyseclarkston@gmail.com">glyseclarkston@gmail.com</a>
Vice President:	Vacant	
Treasurer:	Janine Houchin	
Secretary:	Danielle Huber	
SPEAC Rep (District PAC):	Vacant	
Communications Officer:	Vacant	



# 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!

## September Grad Timeline

- Sign up for the Wolverine app. Follow the Grade 12 thread for important updates.
- If you want to receive announcements about scholarships and bursaries, join the Scholarships 2022 thread on the Wolverine App.
- If you are interested in representing your grad class and supporting the EMCS community, consider joining Leadership 12.
- Have an email account other than your school email account that you can use for scholarship applications, post-secondary applications, the Student Transcripts Services website, etc. Your sd62Learns email account will be de-activated after you graduate.
- Register for a Student Transcripts Service (**STS**) account and check your transcript for accuracy.
- Look over the **BC Graduation Requirements** and make sure you are on track to graduate. See your School Counsellor if you have questions.
- **Explore options for after high school** e.g. work, travel, college, university, tech school, apprenticeship, ... **Make an appointment to see your School Counsellor** about possible plans and options. Also meet with the Career Centre staff for assistance and to learn about many opportunities.
- Check post-secondary application deadlines and entrance requirements. Online application for many post-secondary schools opens in September. Many Camosun College programs are filled on a first come, first served basis, so it is best to apply early.
- If you plan to attend post-secondary in the USA, you may need to write the SAT or ACT. Register now. **SAT– ACT**
- If English is not your first language, to apply for post-secondary you may need to register to write one of the following English assessments:– **IELTS** Global Village in Victoria is the nearest IELTS test centre.– **TOEFL**
- If you are a top academic student, see your School Counsellor regarding some large scholarships that have deadlines in October and November.

**Attendance:** Please remember that your school attendance will usually be considered as part of your scholarship and bursary applications. Even if applications do not ask about attendance, any teachers you ask to write reference letters will likely check your attendance. Please make sure that parents/guardians contact the office to excuse your absences if you miss school for a legitimate reason. Absences should be excused in a timely manner.

