### **EMCS NEWS**



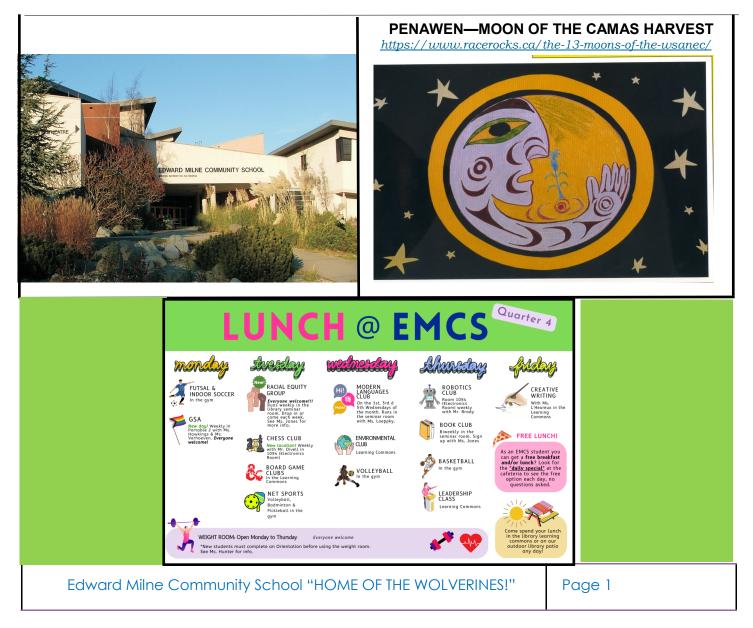
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### May 5, 2023

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.



### **Important Dates to Remember:**



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May 5	Red Dress Day	tpo
May 5	Grad Fee Payment Deadline at midnight	Stu
May 11	Walk to End Violence Day	Inte
May 17	Grad Assembly	<u>Jor</u>
May 17	International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia	Prir jme
May 19	Bus Driver Appreciation Day	Stu
May 22	Victoria Day– no school	
May 25	Big Soccer Game	<u>EN</u>
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June 2	Grad Rehearsal	sjes
June 3	GRAD	Stu
June 6	Grad Walk	
June 12	Year End Band Concert @ 7pm at EMCS	aph
June 15	Major Awards by invite only	Stu
June 17	Prom	Lin
June 19	Cafeteria Closed for the year	Sup Itrib
June 27	Fun Day	10110
June 28	Quarter 4 Turnaround	Ple
June 29	Last Day of School—no classes. Staff available by appointment to students/families	http staf



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Please visit our website at: https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/ staff/

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### Happenings at EMCS

**Spring out of Hunger Fundraiser -** EMCS Spring out of Hunger Fundraiser for the Sooke Food Bank Society is from **May 1-12**, 2023.Our EMCS Leadership Team is fundraising for the Sooke Food Bank. We are collecting donations from our School Community to support our local organization to help provide food to families in need. Donations can be made through School Cash Online: <u>https://</u> <u>sd62.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/16401/137/False/True</u>. If you would like a tax receipt, please donate directly to the organization by clicking on this link: <u>https://www.canadahelps.org/en/</u> <u>charities/sooke-food-bank-society/</u>







On May 19th, let's show our appreciation to all the people who deliver our kids safely to and from school. Lanyards for Sale - For the first time in years, we now have EMCS lanyards on sale in the main office. ONLY \$5.00!!



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### **Congratulations to EMCS Concert Band**

for receiving GOLD for their performance at the Con Brio festival held at Sun Peaks. 33 band students from EMCS and Journey attended a 4 day festival in Sun Peaks where they met youth from BC and Alberta...also band students...and listened to concerts and played with a massed band of 300 students. CONGRATULATIONS on this achievement. The band would like to invite everyone to their **year end concert on June 12** at 7 pm in the EMCS theatre.



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### EMCS Students partaking in the CPR course! Good job!



### **Congratulations to the EMCS Wolverines!**

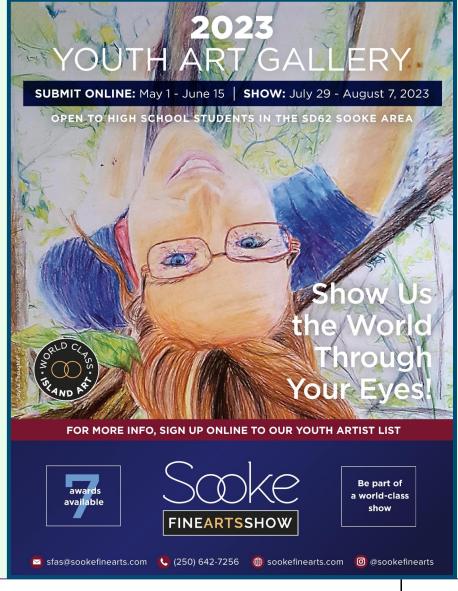
Congratulations to those who participated in the TC 10K on Sunday morning. 3886 participants took part in the race and it was a fantastic event--good weather, beautiful course and lots of enthusiasm. The school team had 13 runners, including both staff and students. Ms. Steadman was the first Wolverine across the line, with Emma Childs following and then Mr. Dudzik. Other speedy

runners and walkers representing our amazing school were Chloe and Niya Clarkston, Mr. Kemp, Mr. SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL Stephens, Sadie Liptrot, Ms. Curtis, John Howard, Zoe Payne, Ms. Hunter, and Mrs. Verhoeven. Well done, everyone!!

### **Student Opportunities**

**All Soccer Academy Alumni** - All Soccer Academy alumni, if you were in the program at one time or another, you are invited to play against the current EMCS Soccer Academy. There will be a friend-ly match Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at lunch. 11:15 kick-off on the turf field. Lunch for volunteer referees and lines people. See Ms. Hunter to secure your position.

**Experienced Culinary Students Needed in B Block** - If you have taken a Culinary course in the past and are interested in a special small group Culinary class in B block this quarter, please let your school counsellor know. (Stop in or email.) This class will give you advanced credits and an opportunity to learn many new skills. It will look great on a resume and scholarship applications.



#### Submit your artwork to the Sooke Fine Art Show!

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#### Are you Métis Youth? Read below!

Greetings from MNBC'S Ministry of Youth! We wanted to let you know that our upcoming Youth Employment & Training

initiative Program (Y.E.T.I.) Cohort #3 is now accepting applications!

#### WHEN & WHERE: May 29-June 16<sup>th</sup>, (9:00-3:00pm) VIRTUAL

WHY: Develop your employment and life skills while getting paid! Join our 3-Week Y.E.T.I. Program where youth will plunge into fun Career Exploration activities, explore job search strategies and tools, and boost positivity and motivation!

Y.E.T.I. will support you to:

- Understand yourself and your strengths better to succeed at work and live your best possible life. •
- Learn new ways to figure out who you are, and how to make decisions that work for career and life. •
- Reflect on your leadership potential and get inspired to take an active role in shaping your future. ۰
- Craft a story of hope and possibilities. •
- Explore careers and jobs that interest you.

Connect with Métis elders and other Métis youth in BC.

Program participants will receive \$50/ daily stipend (\$750 total) and a certificate of completion.

For more info or to register visit Y.E.T.I. - Youth Employment Training Initiative | MNBC

#### **Upcoming Belize Trip**

If you are interested in the Belize trip in Spring Break 2024, EF tours is now offering a discount of \$200 on the tour if you register before May 23, 2023. There is also a parent meeting on Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. This will be held virtually through MS Teams. Parents can RSVP through the link below, or come by Mr. Vink's classroom (Room 1139) for the QR code.

This trip will give students the chance to learn by experience – they will expand their perspective of the world around them, discover more about themselves, and grow confident and independent. Mr. Vink decided to offer this opportunity now to give families plenty of time to plan and a chance to lock in the lowest price, and smaller monthly payments.

There is incredible growth that comes with seeing the world, exploring new places and experiencing new cultures - and Mr. Vink is excited to bring that opportunity to your family and our community.

To learn more, check out our personal group page: EMCS Belize Trip Page

The EMCS Belize trip page shares more information about:

- The itinerary
- Information about our travel partner, EF Educational Tours •
- Enrollment

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#### Want to Save Lives? Learn More About Safe Drug Use? Recognize an

**Overdose?** - Belmont Youth Action Team, Island Health Wellness Centre, and Youth Hope program are teaming up to provide Naloxone training at Edward Milne Secondary on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> in the band hall. Please sign up using the QR code provided. There are three time slots available, it is open to everyone at the school and is first come first serve. You need to log on to Google using your SD62Learns account. If it gives you a notification asking for permissions, you aren't logged on with your SD62 credentials, and will

need log off, and log back on again.

#### Adulting 101: Personal Finance for Students Preparing for **College and University**

- May 17 or May 18
- Please see the attached document for details
- This free workshop is open to students in Grades 9 to 12

**Registration is require** 

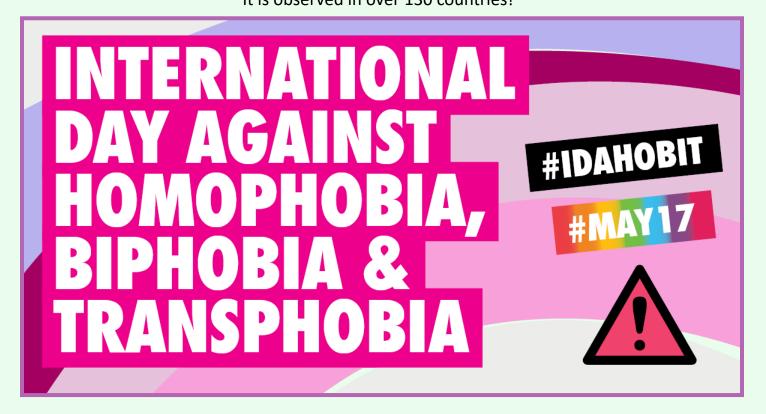
phone: 250-391-9002

#### ADULTING 101: PERSONAL FINANCE FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY A Zoom-based financial literacy workshop for grade 9 to 12 students from UVIC's Gustavson School of Business Surveysroutinely show Canadians struggle with their finances—over half are within \$200 of not being able to cover their bills and debt payments High school and university studentsparticularly face struggles. <u>Bsing student debt</u> increasing housing costs, and surging inflationare barriers to success. *Generation* 2 not only faces the burdens of climate change, the pandemic, and global uncertainty—but costs alone are a barrier to progress in careers and life. So, how can students prepare for the costs of "adulting" and identify opportunities university? The Gustavson School of Businessat UVic invites students to join afree financial literacy workshop. Dr. Michael King leads this interactive session for students to strengthen and prepare their financial forting to enter university life. This workshop will give you a taste of Gustavson andfinance through a fun and engaging session. andmance through a tun and enginging account This workshop is a good fit if one or more of these apply toyou: You are in grade9 to 12, and/ar are an international student hoping to study in Canada. You want to take responsibility for your financial life, starting with mobile banking and dayto-day spending, and are curious about where to start. You have to take responsibility or real financial how it is used to evaluate you for: mobile phone credit card, apartmentental summer job, car loan, and much more. You want to build up savings and start investing in stocks, bonds, ETS... You are interested in what a university class might be like **Blended Summer Learning** The workshop will be delivered on Zoom, and there are two dates to choose from: Wednesday, May 17th or Thursday, May 18th CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR THE SESSION ontact Recruitment Manager, Daniel Nair, at bizrecruit@uvic.ca for more informa SOOKE 62 wvic.ca/gustavson O @gustavsonuvic S. Summer Learning SD62 Gr. 10-12 Full Credit Summer Learning July 10 - Aug 4, 2023 Monday - Friday at Belmont Secondary School Registration free of charge for: • SD62 students entering grade 10-12 in Sept 2023 **CLASS SCHEDULE \*** SOOKE current & recent grade 12 MORNING: 9AM - 11:30AM students who live within SD62 recently graduated students (Math/Science/English only) SCIENCE 10 SCIENCE 10 ENGLISH 10 CAREER LIFE EDUCATION 10 PRE-CALCULUS MATH 11 LIFE SCIENCES 11 ACTIVE LIVING 11/12 ENGLISH STUDIES 12 WORLD HISTORY 12 PRE-CALCULUS MATH 12 Summer Learning ISP Students - contact ISP office for fee information SD62 Full Credit Summer Learning Benefits of Summer Learning: creates flexibility in your Sep June schedule allowing more Grade 10-12 Courses room for electives supports possible early graduation allows for focused learning in AFTERNOON: 12PM - 2:30PM **Classes run Monday - Friday** SOCIAL STUDIES 10 allows for focused learning in 1 or 2 subjects opportunity to improve course mark or GPA fewer people in the building creates a 'small school' environment that many students enjoy FOUNDATIONS & PRE-CALCULUS 10 PHYSICAL & HEALTH EDUCATION 10 July 10 - August 4, 2023 at Belmont WORKPLACE MATH 11 ENGLISH COMPOSITION 11 ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY 12 Registration open to students (\*age 19 or under as of July 1, 2023) living within SD62 SOCIAL JUSTICE 12 students enjoy Register Online: <u>www.westshorecentre.com</u> or \*All classes are offered subject to enrolment. Classes with insufficient enrolment will be cancelled and students will be offered the chance to select an alternate course. via the SD62 Summer Learning Registration link Additional info: website: www.westshorecentre.com Register Online: www.westshorecentre.com phone: 250-391-9002 or email: westshore@sd62.bc.ca

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The purpose of this International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia & Transphobia is to draw attention to the discrimination and violence experienced by 2SLGBTQIA+ folks. It is observed in over 130 countries!



# **Calling All Makers!**

Sooke Makerspace at EMCS is re-opening and we're looking for local creatives, makers, entrepreneurs, inventors, tinkerers and teachers to offer workshops and classes in our Makerspaces.

We have spaces for woodwork, metalwork, 3D printing, CNC, textiles and just about anything else you can think of!

Visit our website or stop by our Open House on Wed. May 3rd 5-7pm

web: emcsprograms.ca/makerspace email: makerspace.sooke@gmail.com

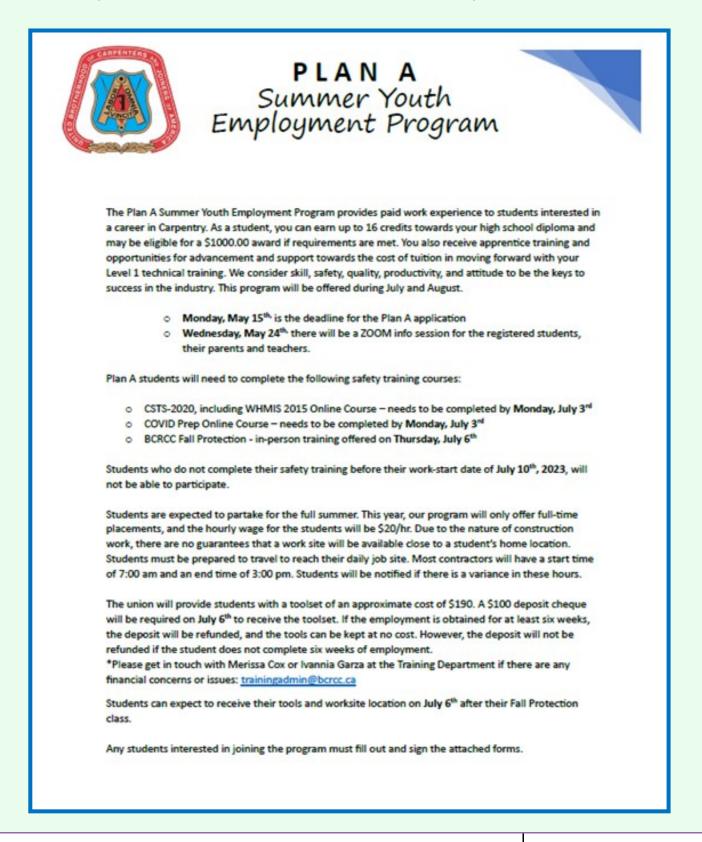




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#### **Plan a Summer Youth Employment Program**

Get paid to learn a trade! For more information, contact your career counsellor.





# TRY A PAID INTERNSHIP IN CARPENTRY

IT'S A SKILL YOU'LL HAVE FOREVER

### SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

\*For more information, contact your career counselor

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#### **BUILDING SKILLS & CREATING OPPORTUNITIES**

#### NWAC-NAP. ca

### ARE YOU LOOKING TO GAIN EXPERIENCE THROUGH PAID ON-THE-JOB TRAINING?



The Native Women's Association of Canada's National Apprenticeships Program connects Indigenous women, Two-Spirit, transgender, and gender-diverse people with paid apprenticeship opportunities in the trades. Kick-start your career as you gain experience in some of Canada's most in-demand fields.

#### WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?

An apprenticeship is industry-based training that allows students to learn a trade through a combination of on-the-job and in-classroom training. In NWAC's NAP, apprenticeships will only be offered in Red Seal classified trades.

#### NWAC's NAP gives you access to:

- A job board with a variety of apprenticeship opportunities.
- Employers who prioritize diversity and inclusion.
- Opportunities to work in high paying, in-demand, and secure job fields, with the opportunity for self-employment.
- Transferable skills that allow you to work anywhere.

For more information contact: Ashlee Larose – Client Services Representative Dalarose@nwac.ca \$1-343-998-7694

Lauralea Eldridge – BC Liaison and Engagement Coordinator

#### Register at: https://nwac-nap.ca/apprentices/

#### DID YOU KNOW ...

Through the course of your apprenticeship, you can expect to earn between 50-80% of a certified journeyperson's wage. #EarnWhileYouLearn

Funded by the Government of Canada's Apprenticeship Service Program

Canada



About the Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC): NWAC is a national Indigenous organization that represents the political voices of Indigenous Women, girls, Two-Spirit, transgender, and gender-diverse people in Canada. NWAC is inclusive of First Nations-onand off-reserve, status, non-status, and disenfranchised- Inuit, and Métis.

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#### MAY FOCUS: SUMMER TRADES EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### Meet future needs:

The skilled trades are essential to Canada's economy; they offer many exciting and rewarding career opportunities, and are in high demand.

#### YOUTH WORK IN TRADES AW ARDS

This month we would like to celebrate all of the SD 62 students who are working hard towards their high school graduation and a skilled trades apprenticeship at the same time! Through the Youth Work in Trades program, students can start the work-based training portion of their trade apprenticeship while they are still in high school. Thanks to this partnership between Skilled Trades BC and the BC Ministry of Education and Child Care, students can earn 16 credits towards their high school diploma and 480 hours towards their trade credential.

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Summer trades employment is a great way for students to get started. See below for more information about available opportunities.

### **YOUTH WORK IN TRADES** AWARDS

On Friday April 28th we held our Youth Work Awards Celebration.

 26 SD62 Graduates from all 4 high schools were recognized.
 Graduates received a \$1000 cheque from the Ministry of Education and Child Care in partnership with Skilled Trades BC for completing 900 work based training hours in trades.

Over 30 000 total apprenticeship hours!

- · A wide variety of skilled trades were represented.
- All students earned 16 WRK credits towards graduation.

 Over 80 people were in attendance to celebrate this achievement, including district staff, students, families, employers, Ministry, Skilled Trades BC, and community partners.







#### SUMMER 2023

Ministry of Education and CMd Care

Find more information and application forms here:



Please share these opportunities with your students.

Some application deadlines are coming up in May, others are open until filled. Summer trades employment opportunities include:

- Carpentry (Construction)
- Bectrical
- Plumbing
- Landscape Horticulturist

There are many summer trades work opportunities available to SD 62 students, including opportunities specifically for Indigenous Women & 2SLGBTQQIA+ persons.

Brian Hotovy, Youth Work in Trades Lead

#### bhotovy@sd62.bc.ca

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### Grade 12 Updates!

Make sure to check the <u>Grade 12 Timeline</u> for a list of important dates and things to do during your Grade 12 year!

### <u>May</u>

- May 1 at 8:45am: Applications for School and most Local scholarships/bursaries are due.
- June 2: Grad Rehearsal (based on guidelines set by the Provincial Health Officer)
- Be sure you are passing all your courses. If you are fail a course that is required for graduation, you will not earn your high school diploma.
- Look over the <u>BC Graduation Requirements</u> and make sure your are on track to graduate. See your School Counsellor if you have questions. Students are responsible for understanding BC graduation requirements and ensuring they have sufficient credits and required courses to earn a high school diploma. Participation in cap and gown ceremonies does **NOT** mean you have met graduation requirements.

Download the EMCS Wolverines App and join the "Post-Secondary & Scholarships" group.

Grade 11 & 12 students and parents/guardians are encouraged to join.



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# **EMCS PAC Corner**

# Our Next Meeting is the AGM and held in person at EMCS (Seminar Room next to the office) or online: Tuesday, May 9 @ 7:00pm

#### Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

Microsoft Teams meeting

Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 298 164 979 63 Passcode: mqHU3i Download Teams | Join on the web Learn More | Meeting options



The EMCS Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is looking for interested parents to join our wonderful group! The EMCS PAC is a low-commitment volunteering opportunity for parents to have important input in the operation of the school.

What we do:

- 1-hour monthly meeting
- Allocate funding to school projects, field trips, and extra-curricular activities
- Provide feedback on school programs, policies, and activities
- Direct access to administration to discuss questions or concerns
- NO FUNDRAISING the EMCS PAC does not currently run any fundraisers or require members to participate in any fundraising activities

For the 2023-2024 school year, the EMCS PAC is hoping to identify individuals interested in taking on the following executive roles:

- President
- Vice President

Even if you are not interested in an executive role, please consider attending our May 9th AGM to come and see what the EMCS PAC has to offer!

Questions about the PAC or our May 9<sup>th</sup> AGM? Contact our president Glyse at <u>glyseclarkston@gmail.com</u>

2022-2023 PAC Executive Members:					
President:	Glyse Clarkston glyseclarkston@gmail.com	Treasurer: Secretary: PEAC Rep (District PAC):	Janine Houchin Danielle Huber Vacant		
Vice President:	Vacant	Communications Officer:	Vacant		

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# **EMCS PAC Corner**

Dear Parents of SD62,

SPEAC and The Sooke Teachers' Association would like to invite you to join us for a very meaningful workshop.

In 2015, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada put forth to all Canadians 94 Calls for Action, after spending 6 years hearing thousands upon thousands of accounts of survivors of Indian Residential schools. You can review the Calls to Action from the final report here:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/british-columbians-our-governments/indigenous-people/aboriginalpeoples-documents/calls to action english2.pdf

This FREE event is presented by the Sooke Teachers' Association, in partnership with SPEAC, as a part of our ongoing commitment to meaningful Reconciliation. We are offering one session in Sooke and one in the Westshore. If you attended school anytime before the last decade or so, chances are when you were learning about Canadian history it didn't adequately (if at all) explore the true impact of colonization on the

Indigenous people of this land, the legacy of which persists in our laws even today. This moving and impactful workshop is an accessible starting point for Canadian adults to begin re-learning or unlearning the history they were taught in our schools through all previous generations.

**Title:** BC Blanket Exercise: Exploring Historical Relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Peoples

**Description:** This experiential workshop will help participants understand how colonization of the land we now know as British Columbia and Canada has impacted the people who lived here long before settlers arrived. Through this exercise participants will explore the nation-to-nation relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada, how this relationship has been damaged over the years, and how we can work toward reconciliation.

Each session will be capped at 50 participants.

#### PLEASE CLICK ON THE POSTER TO RSVP



Facilitator: Brother Rick, SD62 Indigenous Role Model and Royal Bay Elder in Residence Babysitting will be available on-site by RSVP ONLY

- May 15th at EMCS Library
- May 18th at Royal Bay Library .



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THANK YOU FOR RSVPING

#### GOT AN IDEA FOR A CLASS OR WORKSHOP?

EDWARD MILNE COMMUNITY SCHOOL SOCIETY

We have spaces for woodwork, metalwork, 3D printing, CNC, textiles and just about anything else you can think of! Contact me (Brian) <u>makerspace.sooke@gmail.com</u>

Seaweed Forage: <u>Seaweed Foraging | emcsprograms</u> May 25th 5-8pm, \$80+ GST

Games Night: 6-9pm, EMCS Library, May 12, June 9, No cost + Snacks included

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

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

Drop-in Volleyball: Volleyball | emcsprograms

Line Dancing: Line Dancing | emcsprograms

Badminton: Drop In Badminton | emcsprograms

Basketball: Drop - In Basketball | emcsprograms

Food Safe: https://www.emcsprograms.ca/foodsafe May 13th 9-5 pm \$99 + GST

**First Aid:** <u>https://www.emcsprograms.ca/first-aid</u> May 6th & 7<sup>th</sup> Standard First Aid (includes CPR-C, AED) \$220 + GST

Emergency First Aid: May 6<sup>th</sup> \$120 + GST

**CPR-C**: May 6<sup>th</sup> \$52 + GST

Yoga Art for youth https://www.emcsprograms.ca/yoga-art



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