

EMCS NEWS



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November 10, 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.



PEKELANEW -Moon that turns the leaves white (Oct.)



| Monday Nov 13 | Tuesday Nov 14 | Wednesday Nov 15 | Thursday Nov 16 |
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| <i>CLOSED</i> | <i>Wild Coho Fish and Chips</i> | <i>Pork Curry</i> | <i>Buttermilk Fried Chicken with Mashed Potatoes and Veggies</i> |
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| ~ | <i>Cream of Mushroom Soup</i> | <i>Coconut and Sweet Potato</i> | <i>Black Bean Soup</i> |
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| ~ | <i>Mediterranean Chickpea Salad</i> | <i>Grilled zucchini salad</i> | <i>Salad Bar</i> |
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| ~ | <i>Arancini</i> | <i>Pakoras</i> | <i>Spanikopita</i> |
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| ~ | <i>Ham and Cheese Sandwich</i> | <i>Falafel Wrap</i> | <i>Eggsalad Sandwich</i> |
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| | <i>Apple pie</i> | <i>Chocolate Mousse</i> | <i>Carrot Cake</i> |

Important Dates to Remember:



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| Nov 11 | Remembrance Day |
| Nov 13 | STAT—Day in Lieu |
| Nov 14 | Block Rotation this day will be A B |
| Nov 14 | PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm |
| Nov 20 | Term 1 Student Report Published in MyEd |
| Nov 20 | Deadline for Grad Purdy's Sales |
| Nov 23 | 3 hr Early Dismissal & Learning Conferences |
| Nov 24 | Non-Instructional Day |
| Nov 25 | Athletics Bottle Drive at EMCS |
| Nov 27-Dec 8 | 10,000 Tonight Campaign |
| Dec 11 | EMCS Band Winter Concert at 7pm |
| Dec 12 | PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm |
| Dec 13 | EMCS Pop-up Market |
| Dec 21 | Locker Cleanout |
| Dec 22 | Santa Breakfast |
| Dec 23-Jan7 | Winter Break |
| Jan 8 | School back in Session |
| Jan 15-23 | Grad Photos |
| Jan 15-19 | French Assessment Window |
| Jan 22-26 | Grade 10's Numeracy & Literacy Assessments & Grade 12 Literacy Assessments |
| Jan 29 | Last Day of Semester 1 |
| Jan 30 | First Day of Semester 2 |



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Please visit our website at:

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

for staff contact information

Student Reports



MyEducationBC

One Student.
One Record.
All of British Columbia.



Term 1 Student Reports will be published to [MyEd BC](#) Monday, November 20th.

If you have any questions about your marks or comments, please contact the subject teacher (emails can be found [here](#)). If your portal password needs to be reset, please reach out to our front office at emcs@sd62.bc.ca or (250) 642-5211.

[Family Portal Instructions](#)



[MyEd Log In Tips](#)

[Video tutorial to support accessing the MyEdBC Family Portal](#)

[MyEd BC Parent Portal Temp Password Lookup Tool](#)

[Parent Portal – Viewing Student Report Cards](#)

[Parent Portal – Viewing Student Transcripts](#)

Around the School

EMCS Stick in the Mud Roastorium Fundraiser - 2023/2024

“Do you or someone you know love coffee? Do you start to twitch and get a headache without your daily dose? Help us help you! We are selling coffee beans from the Stick in the Mud Roastorium as a fundraiser at EMCS. Funds raised will help out with school and community based environmental and food systems education, as well as support sustainable farming practices and food security in economically impoverished coffee growing regions. And what do you get? Great coffee at the same great price! Give it as gifts! Drink it every day! You know you want to. Thank you for your support!”

Bags of whole beans or medium ground are \$21. We are offering Tsunami (espresso roast), Ripple (decaf), Unicorn (50/50 blend of Tsunami and Ripple), and Sleighter (holiday season medium blend).

Orders close on November 26 at midnight! An email will be sent to you when your order is available for pick up from the main office at EMCS.



Click here to purchase your coffee: <https://sd62.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/18239/137/False/True>

EMCS ATHLETICS

Bottle Drive



November 25



In front of Edward Milne
Community School



9:00am- 4:00pm




Thank you for supporting our athletics
program with your donation!



Pop up market teaser of
some of the items that will be
available for sale at the pop
up market on
December 13th.



Opportunities



Learn to Cope with Stress
Y Mind

Everyone experiences worries and stress. Y Mind is here to help young people learn how to cope with stress so they can live their best lives.


Our FREE Winter Y Mind Youth group is Wednesday evenings Feb. 7th– Mar 20th, 2024, Online via Zoom for Vancouver Island residents
Online information sessions and intakes Jan 17th and 24th

For more information please contact:
mindfulness@vancouverisland.ca or call 778-584-7360

This free program is run by caring, trained staff, in a safe supportive environment.



*Use the QR code to register for info session



<https://vancouverisland.ca/program-services/community-health/mental-wellness/>

Y Mind
Ages 18-30 yrs

NOVEMBER 2023
CENITETONSET (FULL) MOON THE EARTH COOLING DOWN

NA'TSA'MAHT RESOURCE HOUSE

NIE DEPARTMENT SKEL,KEL (SENCOTEN for "News")

ÍY SZÁCEL & Welcome

Welcome to the monthly edition of the NA'TSA'MAHT Resource House. Here you will find valuable resources that have been curated for their authenticity of Indigenous culture and knowledge. We encourage you to explore these findings, and use them for self education, your classroom and your community. Should you have any questions, or if you'd like to share other resources you enjoy, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

HÍSWKE/Hych'ka - Kleco Kleco/á'ekoo á'ekoo! - Gilakas'la - Marsee - Qujannamiik - Thank you

PEKELÁNEW MOON

THE MOON THAT TURNS THE LEAVES WHITE

OCTOBER 13 2023 - NOVEMBER 12 2023
"This moon marks the end of Summer and the beginning of cooler weather."
Pronunciation Audio: [HERE](#)

WESELÁNEW MOON

THE MOON OF THE SHAKER OF LEAVES

NOVEMBER 13 2023 - DECEMBER 11 2023
"In the WESELÁNEW moon, fishing would be done mostly in the safety of our local waters. This is the time that big winds come and change the season to Winter."
Pronunciation Audio: [HERE](#)

SJELČÁSEN MOON

MOON OF PUTTING YOUR PADDLE AWAY IN THE BUSH

NOVEMBER 13 2023 - DECEMBER 11 2023
"With the coming of this moon, it is now time to thank your paddle for taking you to gather foods, see loved ones and guiding you to special ceremonies..."
Pronunciation Audio: [HERE](#)

*Reminder - The moons do not always align with the 12 month Gregorian Calendar that we follow.

Parents as Education & Career Coaches Workshop

Parents & Student Supporters

Join our virtual **Parents as Education & Career Coaches (PECC)** Workshop to learn how you can help support your student in planning for their future. The information will be especially helpful for families with students in Grades 10-12.

Sessions are engaging and informative, and include a website tour followed by a Q&A.

Topics include

- B.C.'s post-secondary education landscape, including institutions and credentials
- Programs, admission requirements, and application dates
- Costs of post-secondary and financial aid options
- Career exploration resources
- Using My List to save and compare programs
- Applying for admission through EducationPlannerBC

Register Now

EducationPlannerBC
with SD 61,62,63,64 - Victoria, Sooke, Saanich, Gulf Islands
Wednesday, November 8, 2023
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
MS Teams



Register [here](#). Registration is required.
For more information, contact: support@educationplannerbc.ca



www.EducationPlannerBC.ca

SD62 CAREER EDUCATION
Employment | Post-Secondary | Skilled Trades

SECONDARY

NOVEMBER 2023

HIDDEN APPRENTICES

Do you know of a student who spent the summer, or is currently, working in or around the trades?

These students can be eligible for the Youth Work in Trades program which gives them 16 credits towards graduation, hours towards an apprenticeship, and potentially a \$1000 Youth Work in Trades award from Skilled Trades BC!

Contact your school's career center to get more information!

SEMESTER 2 CONSTRUCTION TASK

Seats are still available for February 2024 start! Applications due Nov. 24, 2024.

What? A semester long, full day carpentry focused program, with experiences in other trades such as electrical, plumbing/pipe trades, welding, and more.

Where? Royal Bay

Who? Grades 10-12 students

Why? If you are interested in a career in trades, but don't know which one, TASK allows you to try a number of trades to see which ones interest you the most.

WHAT IT IS

- Full semester, 5-day, hands-on, cohort TASK program (TASK=Trades Awareness, Skills, & Knowledge)
- Project-based curriculum
- Open to all OBC grade 11 students (10s and 12s will be considered if seats go unfill'd)
- Carpentry focus plus additional trades which may include Welding, Electrical, Sheet Metal, Plumbing/Pipe Trades, and Automotive
- Instruction and support from both Royal Bay and Camosun instructors.

WHERE, WHEN, & TIMING

- Hosted at Royal Bay Secondary School
- Several weeks are spent in Camosun shops.
- Runs in both semesters 1 & 2.

CREDITS

- Up to 12 secondary credits can be earned, which may include:
 - Woodwork, Math, Skilled Trades Exploration (STX), and WEX (1 to 4 week work experience placement taking place in January 2024)
 - Plus 8 dual-credits from Camosun College.

HOW TO APPLY

- Visit your school's Career Centre TODAY to learn more and pick up an application - SPACES AVAILABLE FOR SEMESTER 2 (FEBRUARY 2024)

myblueprint

Benefits:

- Career Education Curriculum (BC)
- e-Portfolio tool for any subject
- Functions similar to Google Classroom
- Core competency self-reflection
- SMART goal setting tool

Lesson plans, tutorials, and webinars:
<https://myblueprint.ca/support/>

Available to all high school students & teachers!
<https://myblueprint.ca/products/educationplanner>
Email Nicole Wallace to get an account set up!

DATES TO NOTE:

- MyBlueprint Training - Nov. 3
- EdPlanner BC PECC - Nov. 8
 - Register [here](#)
- SIP Indigenous Learners Day - Nov. 15
- SIP Pro-D - Nov. 24
- Semester 2 C-TASK applications due - Nov. 24
- Semester 2 C-TASK Interviews - Dec. 1

PRO-D OPPORTUNITY!


Supporting Students with Diverse Needs
Pathways for Life, Learning & Work Program
November 24, 9:00am-12:00pm @ Camosun Interurban (FREE)

Join us for an informative morning discussing, collaborating and exploring Camosun's Pathways for Life, Learning & Work Program. This program aims to assist students who face physical and/or cognitive obstacles to further their education and employability as they approach their departure from high school. Offered every spring, the Pathways Program is typically filled with students in their Gr. 12 or 12+ year and often on an Evergreen path for 'graduation'.

Email sip@camosun.bc.ca to register.

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Remembrance Day Ceremony

Cadets attending the Remembrance Day Ceremony at EMCS from left to right:

Isabella Cole –Flight Corporate

Brodie Sutton—Leading Cadet

Daniel Ledger Rodriguez—Petty Officer First Class

Sevanna Grunwald—Able Cadet



Remembrance Day Ceremony Cont.



International Students Carving Pumpkins



EMCS Senior Boys Soccer had a successful season and finished with a close game against Belmont!



PE Rec 11/12 students walking the Galloping Goose



The final Volleyball challenge was students against Teachers this past week!



Congratulations to our Athletes for a Great Volleyball Season at EMCS!





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 Timeline

- Check for the updated list of **post-secondary info sessions** taking place.
- **November 14, 2023:** Capstone Activity Log AND Mentor Notes #1 are due.
- **Nov 20:** Purdy's fundraising closes.
- 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.

Make sure you are on track to graduate at the end of your Grade 12 year! Double check your timetable to make sure you are scheduled for the courses you need to graduate. If you aren't sure, make an appointment to see your Counsellor.

BC Ministry of Education website: [Graduation Requirements](#)

Use the following worksheets to plan your high school courses and track your progress towards graduation:

[High School Plan](#)

[Graduation Requirements Checklist](#)



EMCS PAC Corner

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.

2023-2024 PAC Executive Members:

President: Trevor Bligh
Vice President: Terry Langridge
Treasurer: Janine Houchin
Secretary: Danielle Huber
SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Vacant

Our Next Meeting is in person at
EMCS on
November 14 @ 6:30pm

EMCS Society Events and Programs

First Aid <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/first-aid> Nov 18th & 19th 9am-5pm

Youth Rock Club <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/rockclub> Wednesdays 4-6 pm \$5.00 drop in fee

Line Dancing <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/line-dancing> Mondays Nov 20th & 27th 7-8 pm. Drop In \$15.00 + GST

East Coast Swing/Jive <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/east-coast-swing-jive> Mondays , Nov 20th & 27th 8-9pm. Drop In \$15.00 + GST

Holiday Card Making <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/holiday-card-making> 2 classes to choose from Sat Nov 25th 1-2:30pm or Tues Nov 28th 6-8:30pm

Sooke Harbour Players present: Robin Hood & Babes in the Wood <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/theatrevents> tickets can be bought online sookeharbourplayers.com

Fri Nov 27th & Sat Nov 28th 7pm & Sun Nov 26th 2pm

Fri Dec 1st & Sat Dec 2nd 7pm & Sun Dec 3rd 2pm

Make a Christmas Centerpiece <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/make-a-christmas-centrepiece> Sat, Dec 9th 10am-12pm

Lean Team <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/lean-team> every Tues, Thurs & Saturdays

Kickboxing <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/kickboxing> every Tues, Thurs & Saturdays

Drop In Badminton <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/drop-in-badminton-> every Thursday at Journey 6-9pm see details

Drop In Volleyball <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/volleyball> every Wednesday at EMCS 6-7:30pm

Drop In Basketball <https://www.emcsprograms.ca/drop-inbasketball> every Friday at EMCS youth under 15, 6-7pm, ages 16 and up 7-9pm (no drop in if it is a stat or non-instruct day)