EMCS NEWS



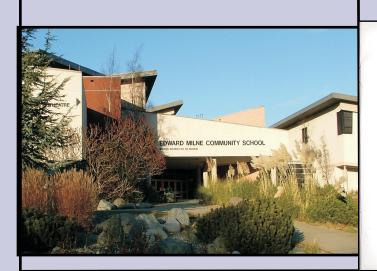
Edward Milne Community School

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April 19, 2024

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.



WEXWS-The Bullhead Moon (April-May)



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24	Apr 25
Beef Stew ~ Curried Coconut and Yam ~ Thai Cucumber Salad ~ Cauliflower Parmesan Bites ~	Macaroni and Cheese with Seasonal Veggies Carrot Ginger Soup Potato Salad Taco Bites	Pork Chop and Apple Sauce Minestrone Roasted Beet Salad with Balsamic Poutine	Thai prawn curry box Potato Leek Soup Salad Bar Samosas with Apple Chutney
Eggsalad Sandwich	Club House Sandwich	Salmon Burger	Falafel Wrap
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Berry Crumble	Chocolate Mousse	~ Key Lime Pie	Crème Brulee

Important Dates to Remember:

Apr 22-May 3 EMCS Spring out of Hunger
Apr 23-24 Gr 12 Capstone Project Presentations

Apr 24-27 Anastasia Theatre Productions at EMCS

May 1 Deadline for Athletes to Purchase Athletic

Banquet Tickets

May 6 Scholarships Due

May 21 PAC AGM at 6pm—Meeting to follow

May 17 Non-Instructional Day

May 20 STAT—Victoria Day

May 30 Athletics Banquet 6pm at the Prestige

June 7 GRAD Rehearsal @ UVIC

June 8 Graduation Ceremony @ UVIC

June 11 PAC Meeting at 6:30pm

June 12 Grad Walk

EMCS Theatre presents ANASTASIA

Tickets go on sale March 11 and can be purchased from the front office with cash, or online through School Cash Online. Use the QR code to connect.

Tickets are only \$7 for students - that is less than a venti latte at Starbucks...what a steal!

Show dates:

April 24, 25, and 26 at 7:00 pm

April 27 at 2:00 pm

Come support your fellow classmates and friends!



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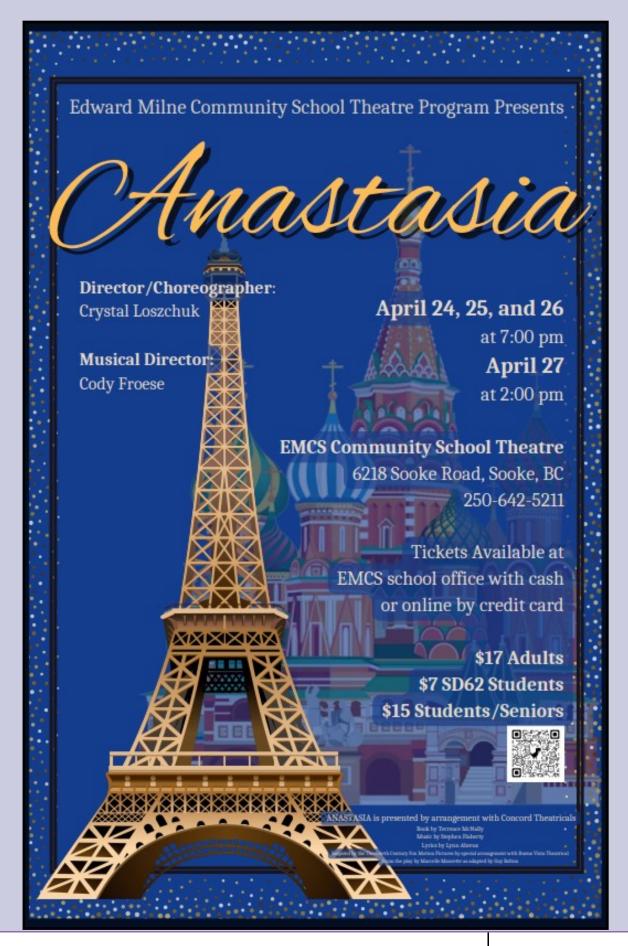
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Please visit our website at:

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

for staff contact information



Around the School in the Learning Commons



Sports Around the School



Around the School in Culinary Arts









Around the School—Textiles Creations



Student Career Opportunities

- 1. Application information for a girl's summer firefighting camp. Full sponsorship available by application for 2 Otter Point residents (May 1 deadline).
- 2. RCMP Career Information session. Registration required. No school transportation provided.
- 3. Health career exploration day at Camosun. Bus transportation provided. Limited seats.



Events and Volunteer Opportunities for Youth

Growing Vegetables Throughout the Year

July 11 10:30-2:30

Royal Bay Secondary, 3500 Ryder Hesjedal Way

This hands-on session will introduce how to prepare and grow a garden throughout the year. You'll learn how to take care of the soil, how to plant seeds and transplants and how to care for vegetable gardens. Participants get to take home seeds and plants that will grow and feed you all through the winter. Lunch provided!

Register Here: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/869513717937?aff=oddtdtcreator

Metchosin Farm Day

July 23 9:00-4:00

Metchosin Farm, 542 Wootton Rd

Spend the day with like minded youth working and learning on this incredible farm. Learn where your food comes from and connect with passionate young farmers exploring futures in regenerative agriculture. Special focus on saving seed at this incredible, ecological seed farm.

Lunch provided!

Register Here: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/869514550427?aff=oddtdtcreator

Preserving the Harvest

August 7 2:00-5:00

Royal Bay Secondary, 3500 Ryder Hesjedal Way

Work with youth mentors to learn how to harvest and then safely can and pickle a variety of vegetables in the Royal Bay garden. Take home what you make!

Register Here: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/869515453127?aff=oddtdtcreator

Day at the Farm at Royal Roads

August 23 9:00-4:00

In the Walled Garden at RRU, 623 Cottonwood Ln

Spend the day with like minded youth working and learning on this incredible farm. Learn where your food comes from and connect with passionate young farmers exploring futures in regenerative agriculture. Special focus on community connection at this unique farm project.

Lunch provided!
Register Here: https://

www.eventbrite.ca/e/869515784117? aff=oddtdtcreator

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Contact Matthew Kemshaw for more information

matthew@flourishschoolfood.ca 250-661-8282

Growth Mindset

Summer Youth Garden Program

Grow and preserve your own food.

Connect with other youth who share an interest in sustainability.

Spend summer outside, in beautiful gardens.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Youth are welcome to volunteer for a few hours or a few days each week of summer break. Volunteer work will primarily take place in the following school gardens in Saanich, Colwood, Langford and Sooke:

- · Royal Bay Secondary
- Belmont Secondary
- · Edward Milne Community School
- · Revnolds Secondary
- Spectrum Community School

We will share a detailed schedule, and youth are invited to volunteer as much as they are able. Orientation, training and supervision provided. High school aged youth who complete 100 hours of volunteer work are eligible for a full course credit.

Additional volunteer opportunities may be provided at:

- Metchosin Farm
- PEXSISEN Elementary
- Colwood Elementary
- Wishart Elementary
- David Cameron Elementary
- · Greater Victoria Compost Education Centre

Please complete this form to register:

https://forms.gle/ siXoJccrEULUrLFj7



Glenwood Meats has offered the EMCS Skills for Life class an amazing fundraising program. When you shop at Glenwood Meats, please hold on to your receipt. They will provide the Skills for Life Class 10% of the total purchase back! There will be a box located in the school office for receipt drop off. If you don't shop there, ask your friends and family to give them to you. This is an ongoing fundraiser so you can collect over several months or bring several receipts in from your friends and family at once. I am also happy to pick up receipts if you can't get to the school. Thank you very much Glenwood Meats from the EMCS Skills for Life class!

Glenwood Meats

https://glenwoodmeats.ca/

SD62 NA'TSA'MAHT INDIGENOUS EDUCATION **GRADE 12 GRADUATION CELEBRATION**

MAY 27, 2024

ROYAL BAY SECONDARY Celebration & Dinner 4:30 - 7:00pm





Ticket & Information to Come **RSVP** to Indigenous Education Teacher by April 26



HOCKEY SKILLS ACADEMY

The aim of the EMCS academy is to enhance individual skill development through added ice time with quality instruction in a fun, safe, enjoyable learning environment.

ACADEMY INCLUDES:

- 2 x 90-minute ice sessions specifically focused on individual skill
- development per week from September to April
- · Fitness and strength training sessions
- Sports psychology, nutrition for athletes, and hockey-specific education
- Ideal for all level players
 Leadership training for Senior students
- Multi-sport game-based sessions for athlete development and team building include golf, curling, bowling and floor-ball

- Exciting field trips Teacher vs. Student game
- Year-end Banquet and Awards night









SD62 Gr. 9-12 Full Credit Summer Learning July 8- Aug 8, 2024 Monday - Friday at Belmont Secondary School

Registration free of charge for:

- SD62 students entering grade 10-12 in Sept 2024
- current & recent grade 12 students who live within SD62
- recently graduated students (Math/Science/English only) ISP Students - contact ISP office for fee information

Benefits of Summer Learning:

- creates flexibility in your Sept June schedule allowing more room for electives
- supports possible early
- graduation 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

CLASS SCHEDULE *

MORNING: 9AM - 11:30AM

SOCIAL STUDIES 10 PRE-CALCULUS MATH 11 FIRST PEOPLES ENGLISH 11 PRE-CALCULUS MATH 12 FIRST PEOPLES ENGLISH 12

AFTERNOON: 12PM - 2:30PM

ENGLISH 10 OUNDATIONS & PRE-CALCULUS 10 LIFE SCIENCES 11 WORKPLACE MATH 11 **ENGLISH STUDIES 12** SOCIAL JUSTICE 12 BC FIRST PEOPLES 12 MATH 9

*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.

Register Online: https://sd62online.web.sd62.bc.ca phone: 250-391-9002 email: online@sd62.bc.ca



Does your child have Indigenous Ancestry?

If you haven't self-identified your child, please contact your school's office

- Indigenous Culture and Language Awareness Programs
- Academic in-class support provided by NA'TSA'MAHT Indigenous Education Staff
- Role Models, Elders & Cultural Learning in the classroom
- NA'TSA'MAHT Classroom Program Assistants & Teachers
- NA'TSA'MAHT Student & Family Advocate
- Land-based events & Indigenous Grad celebration
- Documentation or Status Card NOT required.

First Nations Métis Inuit Status or Non-Status

for assistance, you can phone the SD62 NA'TSA'MAHT Office at 250-474-9833



WRITER'S BOX (\$125 value) Books and activities to light up the imagination!

2ND & 3RD PRIZE

GREENWOOD (\$50 value) Signed copy of bestseller Greenwood & more!

IMAGINE THE FUTURE YOU WANT TO SEE

We want to read your vision for Earth's future! Write a story that shows the transformative impact of a creative climate solution. We're looking for forward-thinking tales that captivate readers with dynamic plots, compelling characters, and immersive settings.

More details at:

www.storystudio.ca/write





APRIL 21, 2024 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM EMCS SCHOOL (6218 Sooke Rd)

Please come and join CUPE 459 (SD62 support workers) as we showcase the many talents and skills that our members, families and friends have to offer the community to celebrate CUPE

We are asking for cash donations or food bank items as admission to the event but not necessary for entry to the event, all donations will be going to the Sooke Food Bank

Come and celebrate with us and make connections in our community, along with meeting some of the people who work to make our schools a great place to be. See you there!!



ALL SD62 FAMILIES & STAFF WELCOME

Sign-Up by Scanning this OR Code:



Please RSVP by April 17th

or phone: 250-474-9833



Thursday, April 25, 2024 Sooke Elementary Gym 5:00 Doors Open 5:30 - 7:30

Featuring:

Territory Welcome by T'Sou-ke Nation Children Traditional Seafood Dinner by Rob Davies Caterer Traditional Tea

Words from T'Sou-ke Nation Council Early Learning Activity Community Table Displays Student Work Displays Métis Jigging with Kookum Jo-Ina

Bus leaves T'Sou-ke Band Office at 5:10 & returns at 7:40

Sooke School District acknowledges the traditional territories of the Coast Salish: T'Sou-ke Nation and Sc'ianew Nation and Nuu-chah-nulth: Pacheedaht Nation.





Get active afterschool at SEAPARC S2 ENTRY BETWEEN 2:15-5:00PM

SPORTS & BOARD GAMES
AGES 7-18 2:30-3:45PM
WEIGHT ROOM AGES 13-18* 2:15-5:00PM
SWIM AGES 7-18 2:15-5:00PM

*Ages 13-15 require a weight room orientation **Drop-in April 5 -June 14**





EMCS PAC Corner

2023-2024 PAC Executive Members:

President: Trevor Bligh
Vice President: Terry Langridge
Treasurer: Janine Houchin
Secretary: Danielle Huber

SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Vacant Communications Officer: Vacant

Our Next Meeting is our AGM in person at EMCS on May 21 @ 6:00pm. Regular meeting to follow at 6:30pm

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 involvement with your community and school. What are you waiting for? It's just a click away.

Graduation Info

Grad Historians:

If you didn't get a chance to vote during today's assembly for your Grad Historians, please vote at https://forms.gle/JARetof56BABdA456. You will need to sign on to Google using your SD62Learns account to vote.

Grad Comment:

You will also need to write a grad comment, which will be read out at the UVic Auditorium as you cross the UVic stage to receive your grad folder. As I said in the assembly, this comment is "for your family," and

needs to be respectful and appropriate. This form is due April 30.

https://forms.gle/mQUArc3ykYk2kFME7

Not all graduates can afford all of the costs associated with attending grad or prom.

The Magic Wand provides dresses, tuxedos and accessories for your special graduation event, contact Elizabeth at esurerus@telus.net from hemagicwandproject.ca.





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!

April Timeline

- TBD: Grad Comment Form sent to students email to fill out. https://forms.gle/mQUArc3ykYk2kFME7
- Early April: Applications for some Local scholarships/bursaries are due.
- If you have an IEP and plan to start post-secondary in September, contact the Centre for Accessible Learning (may go by a different name) at the school you plan to attend. This is the post-secondary equivalent of our "Learning Support" department. The Centre for Accessible Learning will work with you to make sure any necessary accommodations and supports are in place for when you begin your studies in September. Students without an IEP but have a medical, mental health, or learning disability diagnosis that warrants additional support or accommodations at post-secondary should also connect with the Centre for Accessible Learning.
- April 23 & 24, 2024: Capstone Student Presentations. Students can NOT miss their scheduled time. Your reflection assignment is also due on presentation day.
- **TBD:** Deadline to pay your Grad fee through Melissa in the EMCS office or <u>School Cash Online</u>.— Price is TBD.
- Talk to Mr. Powell if you are interested in singing Oh Canada at the Grad Ceremony
- Check the Scholarship & Bursary section of the EMCS website. MANY updates are usually made in April.
- See your School Counsellor if you require assistance the Grad-related expenses. e.g. prom, tuxedo, prom dress, etc.
- 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.

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: <u>Graduation Requirements</u>Use the following worksheets to plan your high school courses and track your progress towards graduation:

High School Plan

BC Graduation Requirements Checklist

View Your Transcript on Your MyEducationBC Student Portal Account—click here for instructions