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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Here we are in June already! This is the time where we are preparing for the end of this school year and at the same time the beginning of next year. Soon our Grade 5 students will be heading off to middle school and from our conversations with them, they appear confident and ready for this next challenge. The staff at Ecole Willow Point will continue to prepare them for this transition and we wish our Grade 5 students well. They will be truly missed!

Ecole Willow Point is a very busy place and will be for the month of June. Recently, we hosted our Welcome to Kindergarten event, and it was wonderful to see all the new Kindergarten students and their families attend. In addition, it was great to see many parents attend our appreciation assembly and help with bike to work and school week. It is inspiring to see how many students rode to school!

Jennifer Halliday, our wonderful Kindergarten teacher, has recently announced that she is going to retire at the end of June. I would like to congratulate Mme Halliday on behalf of our entire Ecole Willow Point community for her service and dedication to the students, staff, and school district. Mme Halliday's passion and dedication to French language and success of students in all areas will be missed and she is leaving an amazing legacy (and a lot of love) behind. We wish her all the best in her retirement and are so grateful for our time with her! In addition, Mme Rachel is going to assume her new role at Pinecrest Elementary School as Vice-Principal in addition to her district roles. We are grateful that Mme Rachel will still be a part of Ecole Willow Point as District Vice-Principal of French Programs and are very grateful for her dedication and support to our school community-she will be greatly missed!

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to say goodbye and thank you to all students, staff, and families of the Ecole Willow Point community. To our teachers, support staff, PAC, and parents, who have tirelessly given their time and resources, thank you for your support with what we do at Ecole Willow Point. Your dedication and enthusiasm are inspiring, and I continue to grow and learn from you and am grateful to you all.

To all our students, staff, and families, have a safe and restful summer.

Sincerely,
Hendrick Horsthuis



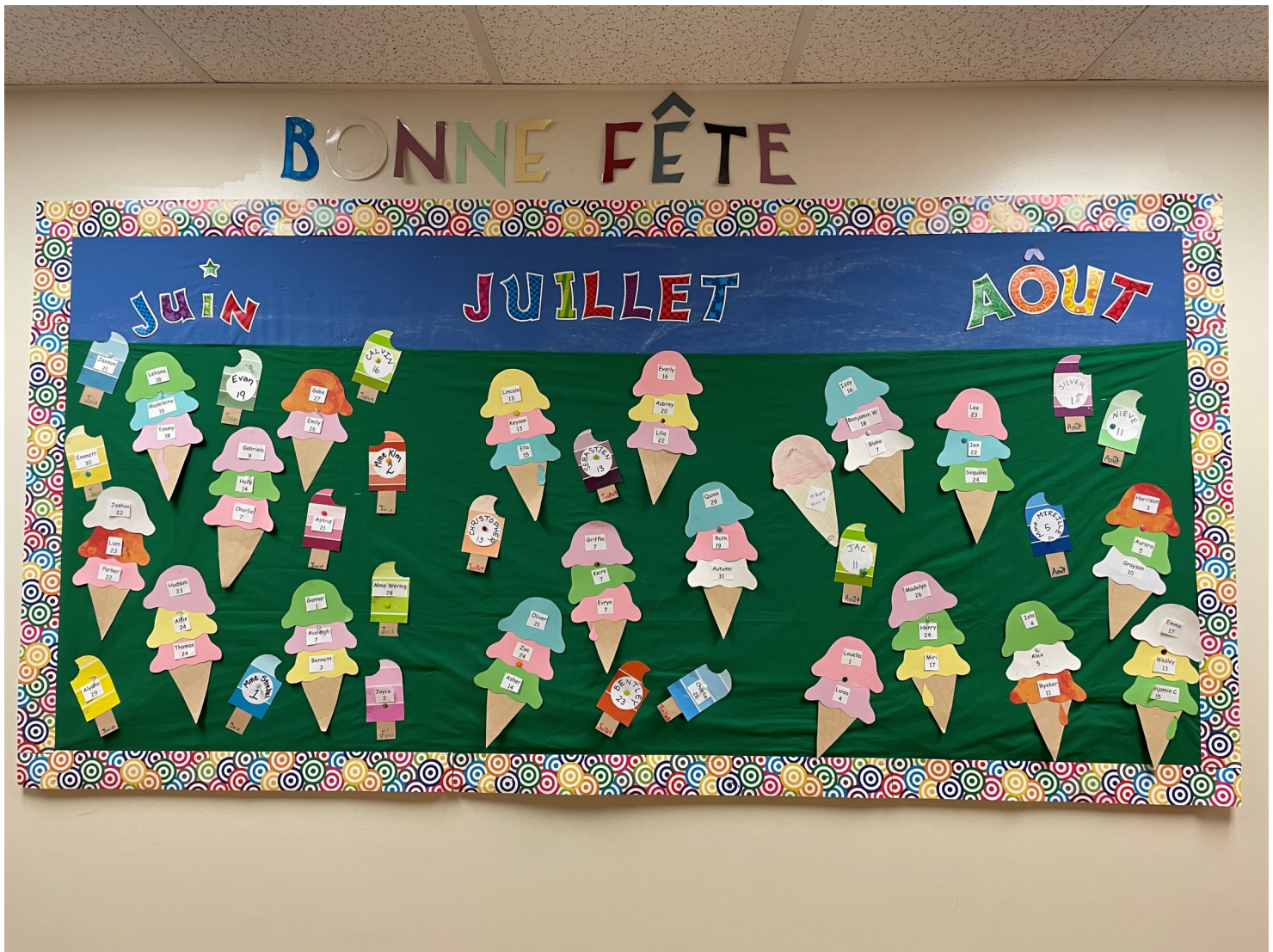
Birthday Wishes / Bonne Fête!

June , July & August

GUNNAR	June 1	GRIFFIN	July 7	LOUELLA	August 1
BENNET	June 3	KEIRA	July 7	SILVER	August 1
CHARLIE	June 7	EVRYN O	July 7	HARRISON	August 3
GABRIELLA	June 9	KEYAAN	July 13	ISLA	August 4
HOLLY F	June 14	LINCOLN	July 13	LUISA	August 4
CALVIN	June 16	CHRISTOPHER V	July 13	AURORA	August 5
TIMMY	June 18	SEBASTIEN V	July 13	ALEX	August 5
MADELEINE	June 16	ASHER	July 14	BLAKE	August 7
LEHANA	June 18	ELLA M	July 15	GRAYSON	August 10
EVAN O	June 19	EVERLY	July 16	RYEKER	August 11
JAXXON	June 21	RUTH	July 19	NIEVE	August 11
ASTRID	June 21	AUBREY	July 20	JAC	August 11
PARKER	June 22	OLIVER	July 21	WESLEY	August 13
JOSHUA	June 22	BENTLEY	July 23	BEN C	August 15
HUDSON	June 23	ZOE M	July 24	IZZY	August 16
LIAM	June 23	CHARLIE	July 26	EMMA	August 17
ALFIE	June 24	QUINN P	July 29	MIRI	August 17
THOMAS	June 24	AUTUMN R	July 31	BENJAMIN	August 18
EMILY	June 26			JAX	August 22
GABE	June 27			LEO	August 23
ALYANA	June 29			HENRY	August 24
EMMETT	June 30			SEQUOIA	August 24
				MADELYN	August 26



JUNE / JULY / AUGUST BIRTHDAY BOARD



Thank you !

A huge thank you to Shelley Jepps who creates the beautiful Birthday Board every month. She has done an amazing job of helping us celebrate everyone's birthdays throughout the year and for many years. This will be the last Birthday Board for Shelley as her daughter is moving on to Phoenix. If you would like to volunteer to keep the Birthday Board going, please let us know.

SEPTEMBER START UP

Grade 1 – 5: School starts on Tuesday September 3rd. Children will come to school for a partial day, times will be updated later this month. In August, we will let you know the program for the first week.

Kindergarten: We will be in touch with parents regarding the Kindergarten schedule for the first week.

Watch for the local newspapers for news about school opening and bussing

LOST & FOUND

Please come and take a look at the lost and found to see if any of the items belong to your child. All items left after June 28^h will be taken to the Thrift Store. The amount of clothing in the lost & found is growing daily!



CLASS PLACEMENT

If there is some information about your child that you would like us to consider when organizing the classes, please click on the link below to complete the form. Due date is June 7th.

<https://forms.office.com/r/QVcgbQAdwj>

Please note: this is not at all mandatory and while we will take your information into consideration, requests cannot always be accommodated.



[2024-25 Bulk School Supply Order form.docx](#)

Please click on this link to access the Bulk school supply order form and information. **Deadline is June 20th.**



WORLD of CURIOSITIES



Summer Reading Club 2024

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER NOTICE

For the last Parent Newsletter in June 2024

Summer Reading @ Vancouver Island Regional Library

Summer vacation is almost here and your children are no doubt dreaming about fun times and adventures! But in order to keep your children's reading skills sharp, it's also a smart idea to include reading as a part of their summer fun.

Like all skills, a little practice goes a long way. Vancouver Island Regional Library invites kids aged 0 - 12 years to join Summer Reading Club. Participants will embark on a reading adventure at the library with this year's theme: **World of Curiosities!** Summer Reading Club encourages children to read a little every day by providing:

- Fun tools, such as colorful reading records, tattoos, and medals.
- Trading cards – get additional cards throughout the summer to trade with friends!
- Chances to win cool prizes — the more they read, the more chances to win.
- Amazing in branch library programs, performances, contests and activities.

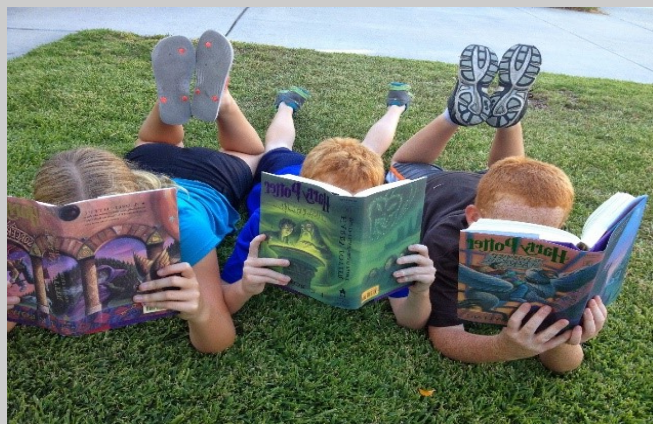
Summer Reading Club officially begins **July 2nd**. You can register by picking up a special package at your local branch starting on **June 18th**! The package includes a reading record to track reading, stickers and other fun stuff.

For more information, call or visit your local branch of Vancouver Island Regional Library or visit www.virl.bc.ca/src. In remote areas, the program is available through our Books by Mail service. Please call 1-877-415-8475 for information.



BEACH DAY

All classes will be going to Miracle Beach on June 24th. Permission slips will be sent home next week please complete and return to your child's teacher. Students should dress in layers and remember to pack sunscreen and wear a hat.



Library Update

As our school year begins to wind down, we will start the process of collecting all the library books that are out in circulation. June 10th to June 14th will be the last week students will be able to check out books from the library. All books must be returned to the library by June 20th, 2024.

The week of June 10th-14th, students in grades 2-5 will be invited to participate in Ecole Willow Point's Summer Library Lending program. Students in grades 2-5 will bring home a permission form inviting them to indicate whether they would like to participate and have your permission to borrow library books for the summer. Every student participating will be given the chance to pick up to 9 books to bring home for the summer. These books will need to be returned to EWP library the first week in September 2024 so your child can start borrowing books from the library again. **If your child is in grade 5, they can return the books directly to EWP, or to Ecole Phoenix or to Southgate libraries and they will send them back to us.**



The grade 4/5 Soccer team had 25 members and they practiced after school on Mondays and at lunch on Wednesday. We hosted a playday on May 22, Ocean Grove and Sandowne came. On May 29th the team went to Sandowne where they played against Cedar, Sandowne and Ocean Grove. The students did great! Thank you to Mme Mireille for organizing and coaching.





Our Grade 5 students had a great time at the District Track Meet, Despite some crazy weather!



Mme Kala's class released the coho salmon fry at Simms creek that they helped raise from eggs thanks to the Quinsam Fish Hatchery.



The Profoqua Science workshop on Chemical Reactions was a huge hit with our class.
Below: Our Spuds in Tubs potatoes are growing and should be ready to harvest by mid June!
Yum





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"We
learned a
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**FOR AN AMAZING 3 DAY BIKE
PROGRAM!!**



PRIDE

CELEBRATION

WED. JUNE 19TH



1:30PM -2:00PM

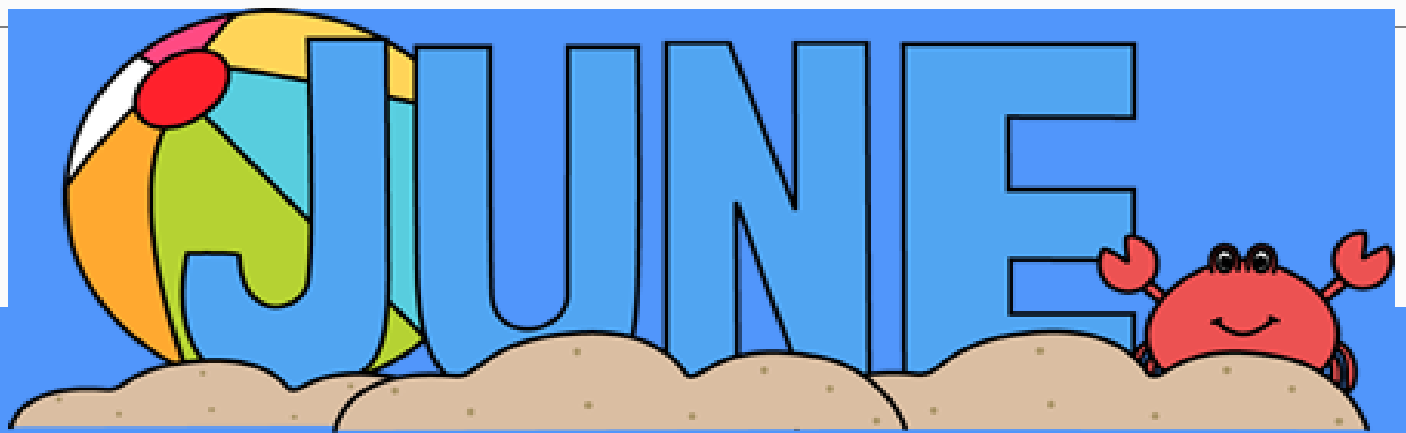
Outside, in front of EWP






There will be pride tattoos and bracelets
distributed to every class and we will have festive
music and art.

**STUDENTS WILL BE ASKED TO COME
DRESSED IN RAINBOW COLOURS OR IN
SOMETHING THAT THEY FEEL GOOD**

WEARING.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6 Grade 5's to Strathcona Lodge	7	8
GO BY BIKE WEEK June 3-June 7th						
9	10	11	12	13	14 Grade 5 Fare- well Assembly @ 1:00 pm	15
16	17	18 Pizza lunch 	19	20 Sports Day 	21	22
23	24 Beach Day 	25 Back up Sports Day	26	27 Assembly 10:15am Dismissal @ 11:15 Last day of school	28 Administra- tion Day	29
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER! FIRST DAY BACK IN SEPTEMBER IS SEPTEMBER 3rd						



BE SUN SMART

Too much sun exposure and especially sunburns in young children can cause eye damage and can increase the risk of skin cancer in later years. Sun damage is cumulative, which means that the damage builds up with each exposure.

Those at highest risk of skin cancer are those with:

- ♦ Fair skin and blond or red hair
- ♦ Skin that burns and freckles easily and doesn't tan easily
- ♦ Lots of moles or large and unusual moles
- ♦ History of severe sunburns

The good news is that skin cancer is almost totally preventable.

From late spring to early fall, avoid unprotected sun exposure between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. If your children are outdoors between these times, teach them to:

- ♦ **SEEK** out the shade
- ♦ **SLIP** on clothing that covers arms and legs
- ♦ **SLAP** on a wide brimmed hat and sunglasses
- ♦ **SLOP** on sunscreen with SPF #30 or higher
- ♦ **SLURP** lots of water

For more information contact:

- ♦ HealthLinkBC at 8-1-1 (a free call) or www.healthlinkbc.ca
- ♦ Health Canada www.hc-sc.gc.ca/hl-vs/sun-sol/index-eng.php
- ♦ www.dermatology.ca/skin-hair-nails/skin/sun-safety/

