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Dear École Willow Point families,

Thank you to all our families who participated in Literacy Week at the end of January. It was especially heartwarming to see so many parents and grandparents at our Drop Everything and Read event. We hope many of you were able to enjoy the literacy-focused events happening throughout the community. Just a reminder for students to fill out at home and submit to the library their *Learning at Mealtime* entry sheets for the library prize draw!

Each Monday morning, students stand for O Canada prior to our daily announcements. We kindly remind families and visitors that if you are in the building during the national anthem, please pause and remain where you are until the song has finished before continuing through the hallways.

Pink Shirt Day will take place on February 25th. This important day highlights the value of kindness, acceptance, and respect within our school community. Students are encouraged to wear a pink t-shirt to show their support for inclusivity and caring for one another.

Mme Alex has created a bulletin board featuring staff photos at the various totem poles located throughout our community. Families are invited to take part in the Campbell River Totem Pole Tour and send us a photo from any of these sites. Tour guides are available at the Tourism Centre at the Maritime Museum, or can be accessed online through the Liḡwítḡax^w Tourism Guide link: [Liḡwítḡax^w Tourism Guide by City of Campbell River - Issuu](#)

Finally, a reminder that there will be no school on Monday, February 17 (Family Day) and Tuesday, February 18 (Professional Development Day). We hope you enjoy this time together with your families.

Warm regards,

Carrie La Pierre & Nancy Hwang



Safe Thoughtful Accountable Respectful Students



Bonne Fête!

February Birthdays

Cassie 02 Arturo 03 Mayla 05 Anneke 09
Finnley 11 Autumn 12 Charlie 13 Calvin 16
Aaliyah 20 Maximus 21 Koen 21 Ava 22 Stella 24
Kol 25 Evelyn 26

Happy Birthday!



REMINDERS



Morning Drop off:

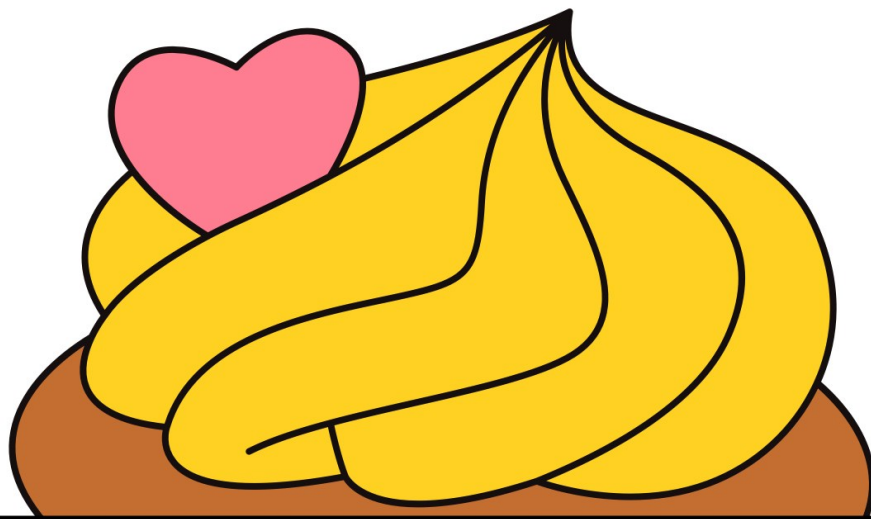
Please do not drop your child off at school before 8:15 am. There is no outside supervision until this time and it is a safety issue for students to be left unattended. Also, afterschool supervision ends at 2:15 pm and students must be picked up by this time.

Dear Parents; please use the link below to check out the SD72 Learning Hub. Here you will find useful Information on how to support your child in the French Immersion Program.

Elementary



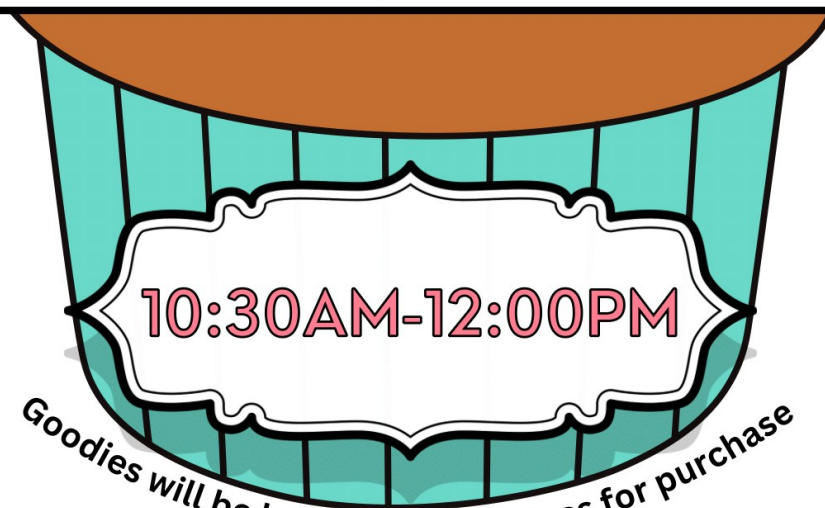
If you have a child that will be starting Kindergarten in September, you may register them now. Even if you already have a child in EWP, please register your kindergarten child promptly. You may register online or in person at the office. A birth certificate, care card and proof of address is required.



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH

BAKE SALE

All items \$2.00 CASH



Goodies will be brought into classes for purchase

Any left overs will be sold after school at 2:15pm



MME. MIREILLE CLASS

Horne Lake Caves Fundraiser

In addition to the bake sale, students from Mme. Mireille's Class have pledged to "run their hearts out"

You can cheer them on out on the field!

Mathematics in M. Remy's class

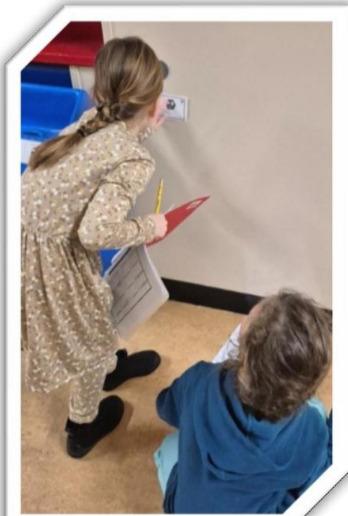
Students explore and learn about 2D and 3D shapes through games, exploration, hands-on experiences, and a STEAM project.



Playing with manipulatives such as magformers, blocs, geoboards, etc.



Using marshmallows and toothpicks, the students build 3D shapes and describe them.



A scavenger hunt around the school to associate 3D shapes and their French name.

The students designed and built their own personal robots using recycled materials. They included a variety of 3D shapes in their creation.



Grade 3 Swimming lessons

Thanks to the support of our PAC, the grade 3 classes participated in the Learn To Swim program at the pool.



Liḡwítḡaḡw

Tourism Guide



JOIN US ON A LOCAL INDIGENOUS ART TOUR!

As part of our commitment to reconciliation, SD72 employees participated in a day focused on Indigenous learning. The theme this year was "This Place". We attended a conference in the morning and in the afternoon the staff at EWP did a self-guided Liḡwítḡaḡw art tour. Following the Liḡwítḡaḡw Tourism brochure we drove all over town and learned a lot about the all the beautiful art spread around Campbell River. You can see our pictures in a bulletin board by the library.

We would like to encourage families to participate in the learning with this fun activity. Simply follow the route outlined by the following tourism brochure, snap a picture of your child or family with the art and send it to alessandra.simonut@sd72.bc.ca so we can print it and display it on our bulletin board.

The brochure can be found here:

https://issuu.com/cityofcampbellriver/docs/li_i_dax_tourism_guide

Or you can pick up a paper copy at the Maritime Heritage Center. Happy touring!

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EASY IDEAS

WITH VEGGIES AND FRUIT



Most children don't get enough vegetables and fruit each day. Proportionally speaking, half of the foods they eat should be veggies and fruit.

Support your child to eat vegetables and fruit:

- ♦ Eat more vegetables and fruit when you have a meal together. Children learn by watching you.
- ♦ Involve children in buying and preparing vegetables and fruit. Try cut-up veggies and fruit such as cucumber slices, cherry tomatoes, cauliflower, oranges, apple, pear, melon or berries with salad dressing or yogurt for dipping.
- ♦ Cut and serve them in many ways. Try vegetables and fruit cold, hot or right from the freezer. Frozen grapes or blueberries make a terrific snack.
- ♦ Offer vegetables and fruit at snack and meal times. It can take up to 20 times of offering the same food before a child will accept it.

A child's intake varies from day to day. Trust that a healthy child will meet their nutrient needs over time.

Need fresh ideas? Check out halfyourplate.ca

For more information:

- ♦ Your local [Public Health Unit](#)
- ♦ [HealthLinkBC and Dietitian Services](#) or dial 8-1-1 and ask to speak to a Registered

Dietitian (a free call)

WHY USE FLUORIDE TOOTHPASTE?

Fluoride is absorbed into the tooth enamel making the tooth more resistant to decay. New teeth especially can benefit from fluoride, and school-aged children are getting their new adult teeth.

Daily use of fluoride toothpaste is a cheap and easy way to protect children's teeth from decay. A small amount of toothpaste about the size of a pea, used twice each day, is all you need.

Public water supplies on Vancouver Island do not have fluoride added. Therefore, it is very important to use fluoride toothpaste.

Spit out after brushing – don't rinse! This will allow small amounts of fluoride to stay in the mouth. The fluoride can help reverse areas of early tooth decay and slow down the decay process.

Toothpastes with special adult ingredients such as "anti-tartar", "whitening", and "anti-bacterial" agents are not recommended for children under age 12.

For more information:

- ♦ Island Health, Public Health - Dental:

Comox Valley Health Unit 250-331-8520

Campbell River Health Unit 250-850-2110

February

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2	3	4	5 Fatburger	6	7
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION WEEK						
8	9	10 100th Day Of School	11	12 Subway	13 DIV10 Bake Sale Run your Heart out	14 
15	16 No School Family Day 	17 PRO-D Day	18	19 Bar Burrito	20	21
22	23 Pac Meeting 6:00 pm	24	25 Pink Shirt Day 	26 Pita Pit	27	28