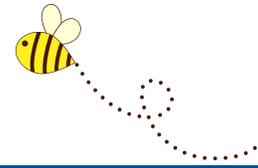




Georgia Park Newsletter



Principal's Message

Welcome to March!

It's wonderful to feel the days growing longer and to see spring slowly approaching. As we head into the next **three weeks** before spring break, it's important for students to maintain their regular routines. With brighter evenings, it can be tempting to let bedtime stretch a little later, but consistent routines help children stay focused, energized, and ready to learn.

We are now in the final stretch of our **Reading Log** challenge. With **three weeks left**, this is a great time for students to keep building strong reading habits.

I want to especially highlight that the **last week before our assembly is the critical time for students to bring in their completed reading logs**. When they submit their logs to me, they'll receive a 3D-printed prize, and their names will be entered into a draw for a special grand prize at our month-end assembly on **Thursday, March 19th**. Please help your child stay on track so they don't miss out.

Our **second learning update** will also be sent home on March 19th. This is a wonderful opportunity to see how your child is progressing and to celebrate the effort they've put into their learning so far. We are still very much in the middle of our school year, and your continued encouragement helps students stay motivated and give their best each day.

As we move toward spring break, we hope you enjoy the extra time with your children and that the break brings memorable adventures and moments together.



Important Dates:



March 4

District Chess Tournament

March 5

Music Showcase
Timberline 6:30pm

March 8

TIME CHANGE

March 12

PAC Fundraiser -
Paint Night

March 13

Hot Lunch Orders DUE!!!

March 17

Wear Green

March 19

Special Draw at
Assembly

March 19

Learning Updates
sent home

March 23

NO SCHOOL
Spring Break Begins!!!



DON'T MISS
THE DEADLINE!

Georgia Park Hot Lunch

Spring 2026 hot lunch orders
open now

To Order
Scan QR Code

<https://georgiapark.parentcouncil.net/admin/>



Or Click link below

<https://georgiapark.parentcouncil.net>

Order & Pay by March 13th

Ordering Instructions on the back



HOT LUNCH INSTRUCTIONS

Georgia Park Elementary Hot Lunch Program Spring 2026

Orders open March 1st to March 13th

What: Hot lunch from Subway, Boston Pizza, Pita Pit, Dave's Bakery and more!

When: Monday and Wednesday

Dates: The fall hot lunch program will run April 8th - June 24th.

Deadline: March 13th

To Register & order hot lunch follow the steps below:

Only required if this is your first time registering this school year

Please note: Families must register each year.

1. Go to <https://georgiapark.parentcouncil.net>
2. Click on "click here to register"
3. Enter the access code **GPHL**, fill in the rest of your information and click "register now"
4. It is recommended to make your user ID your email.
5. Click "student" and fill in the information including which class/division your child is in
6. Click "order" next to the Spring 2026 Hot Lunch
7. Complete your order and click on "update and proceed"
8. **Pay for your order.** Please note that there is an option to pay with a credit card or visa debit after you click Paypal. If paying by cash or cheque, please include your child's name, their teacher's name, and "hot lunch" on the envelope, then drop it into the RED PAC box just outside the office.

HELPFUL TIPS:

- Bookmark <https://georgiapark.parentcouncil.net> so you can find it again later!
- Write down your username and password somewhere in case you forget them
- If you have forgotten what you ordered and when, please login to the website and check your account.

For our hot lunch program to run smoothly, we need volunteers to help us make it happen! If you're interested in becoming a part of our hot lunch committee or are available to help out for an hour or two on a few Wednesdays this year, please send an email to georgiaparkhotlunch@gmail.com or sign up when ordering.

Check out our PAC Facebook page at Georgia Park PAC for ongoing events and opportunities to volunteer.



PARENTS!

WE NEED YOU!!!



Calling all SUPER PARENTS!!!!

We are needing more **HELP**
with Hot Lunches!!!
Wednesdays, from
11:00 - NOON



If you can, please contact
the PAC at
georgiaparkpac@gmail.com

Remember, more hands make light work!

PARENTS PAINT NIGHT!

MARCH 12 AT 6PM - 8PM



\$35 PER PERSON

- Step-by-step painting session
- All painting supplies included
- A fun evening with friends
- Adults Only

To sign up e-transfer to georgiaparkpac@gmail.com

Please include:

- Name
- Email
- PAINT NIGHT in the MEMO

20 SPOTS AVAILABLE



MUSIC SHOWCASE

The Georgia Park grade $\frac{3}{4}$ Choir is heading to Music Showcase, a celebration of music in our schools!

They will be performing with many of the SD72 school choirs and bands and would love to see you there!

The performance starts at
6:30pm at Timberline Secondary, in the gym.

Choir students arrive at 5:45pm.

Please email Ms. A for more info:
jaimie.ashurst@sd72.bc.ca



Sunday, March 8th

Set clock ahead 1 hour at 2am

SPRING AHEAD!!!



CONGRATULATIONS

WAY TO GO
to all the students who
participated in the
School Chess tournament
in February and for
being a part of the
weekly club all year!



NO SCHOOL

April 7th

PRO D DAY

**Back to
School from
Spring Break**



**Tuesday,
April 8th**



Campbell River Branch Programming Calendar



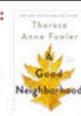
March 2026

FOR EVERYONE
FOR KIDS
FOR ADULTS
FOR TEENS

BRANCH HOURS

Monday: 10-6
Tuesday: 10-7
Wednesday: 10-7
Thursday: 10-7
Friday: 10-6
Saturday: 10-6
Sunday: 10-6

1240 Shoppers Row
Campbell River, BC
T: 250-287-3655
E: crinfo@virl.bc.ca

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1  Teen D&D Club 2-5:30pm	2	3  Digital Literacy Workshop: Artificial Intelligence 2:00-3:30pm Teen Board Game Drop-in 3:30-5:00pm	4  Adventure Club 3:15-5:15pm	5  Open Playroom: 11:00am-12:00pm Adult Book Club 2:00-3:00pm LEGO Club 3:30pm-4:30pm	6 	7  Storytime: 10:30am-11:00am Open Playroom: 11:00am-12:00pm Joline Martin Reading 2:00-3:00pm
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29  Teen D&D Club 2-5:30pm	30	31  Digital Literacy Workshop: Digital Library 2:00-3:30pm Teen Board Game Drop-in 3:30-5:00pm	March Book Club Pick: A Good Neighbourhood by Therese Anne Fowler 		Kids' Scavenger Hunt: SONGBIRDS and PARALYMPIANS 	

FOR EVERYONE

FOR KIDS



Storytime

Join librarian Renée for 30 minutes of live-action storytime fun. We'll move our bodies, wave our scarves, sing songs, learn rhymes, and, of course read a book or two. *This is a drop-in program for toddlers, preschoolers, and their caregivers.*

Open Playroom

After Storytime, stick around a bit! Play with our toys! Socialize with other grownups! *This is a drop-in, free-range, self-directed playtime for younger children and their caregivers.*

STEAM Time at the Library

Come and use our preschool-oriented STEAM (Science, Tech, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) learning-based toys. Caregivers and kids can explore gears, structures, microscopes and all kinds of other fun ways to learn!

LEGO Jam!

Use our Lego to do your own thing, or try different challenges!

Notes:

1. Please do NOT bring your own Lego -- unless you're taking it all home with you.
2. Participants MUST be old enough NOT to stick any legos up their nose. 😊

Spring Break: Tweets & Tunes

This year's Spring Break programming invites kids to explore nature and sound through a scavenger hunt, take & make crafts, reading, and other activities. Complete a takeaway scavenger hunt to enter a draw to win a pair of binoculars!



FOR TEENS

NEW! Teen Board Game Drop-in

Bring your friends or make some new ones! Join us after school on Tuesdays to play one of our games and hang out.

Teen D&D Club

Registration currently closed. Join our waitlist for the next adventure! Interested in Dungeons & Dragons but not sure where to start? Join us for a short game of D&D where you will fight against monsters and evil of the world! Supplies will be provided and spaces are limited. You can register in person or by emailing crinfo@virl.bc.ca



NEW! Adventure Club (Age 7-10)

Are you ready to test your creativity, create a character, and explore fantastical situations? Join us Wednesdays for our new kids role-playing game: **Argyle and Crew!** This is perfect for kids who are interested in role playing games but might be too young for our Teen Dungeons & Dragons group. Our first of 5 sessions will start with character creation - making a sock puppet - and learning the basics of role-playing games. Then we'll practice our skills on a fun adventure together! **This program requires registration and has limited capacity.** Email rgaudet@virl.bc.ca by March 9 to sign up or get on the waitlist for next time!



FOR ADULTS

Digital Literacy Sessions

Join our experts for informative sessions on digital literacy.
March 3rd: Artificial Intelligence with Erika Anderson
March 10th: Frauds and Scams with RCMP
March 31st: Using the Digital Library with Adult Services Librarian Beau Driedger

Author Reading: Joline Martin

Author Joline Martin will join us for a reading from her new book **War Resisters: Standing Against the Vietnam War.**

Adult Book Club

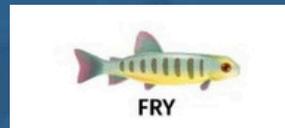
Looking for lively discussions about books of all kinds? Come to the Library's Adult Book Club. **Spots are available.** Email: bdriedger@virl.bc.ca

After a successful hatch of our Coho salmon eggs, the salmon in both Mrs. Morrow's library tank and Mrs. Zumach's classroom tank are thriving.

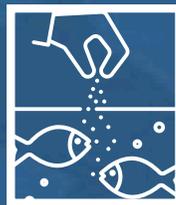
Most of the hatchlings are still in their alevin stage, which means they are bumping around the bottom of the tank with a large yolk sac attached to their bellies.



Some of the alevin are beginning to "button up" and turn into their next life cycle stage: fry.



As the salmon become fry, they start to swim up to the top of the tank and look for food. We will be feeding little pinches of fish food at first and then transition them to larger food as we get them ready for life in the wild.



The Grade 1 classes, Mrs. Zumach's class and their little buddy class hope to be able to send our salmon fry off into Simms Creek before Spring Break.

It is great to see all the salmon related learning that is happening around the school!





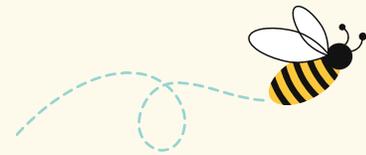
HAPPY SPRING

BREAK!!!

March 23rd - April 7th

Hope everyone will have a FUN & SAFE break!!

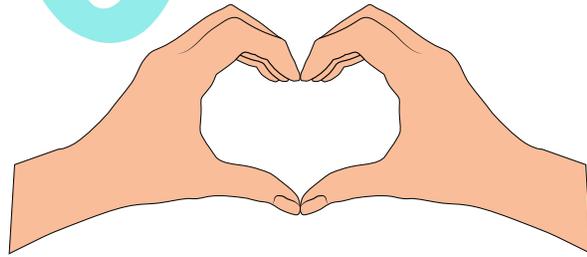
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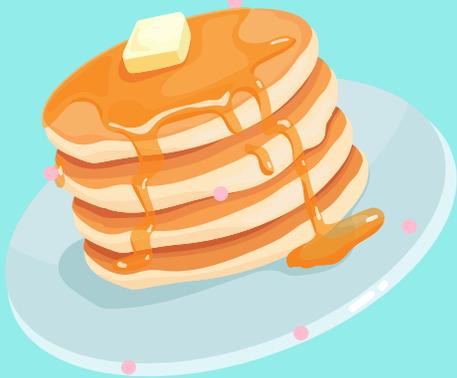
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THANK
you



It was DELICIOUS!!!



*To the PAC and
Teacher's
for the Pancake
Breakfast!*





**We have LOTS & LOTS of “found”
items in our
Lost & Found!!!**

**I will be sending out
an email this week
showing what is there.**

**ANY Items NOT claimed by
Friday, March 20th
will be donated to
the **FREE STORE** at Robron!!!**



First Nations Language & Culture



**Moon of the Frog – *tagəm walθ*
March 3**

It is also known as the moon to gather herring roe and salmonberry shoots. When the frog sings, that tells us when winter activities end and spring has begun. The shoots and buds begin to open, and it is time to leave the long house and begin to travel the land again. The weather is slowly warming up. People looked forward to fresh things such as salmonberries growing. Our people would harvest salmonberry briar, peel off the skin and prickles and eat the shoot, it is full of vitamin C. People would get cedar branches ready so they can be set when the herring begin to spawn, so that the eggs end up on the boughs of cedar, boughs would be collected, and we could pick the eggs of to eat, this was a delicacy for the people to enjoy.



PINK SHIRT DAY!!



ART Corner

Georgia Park February Art

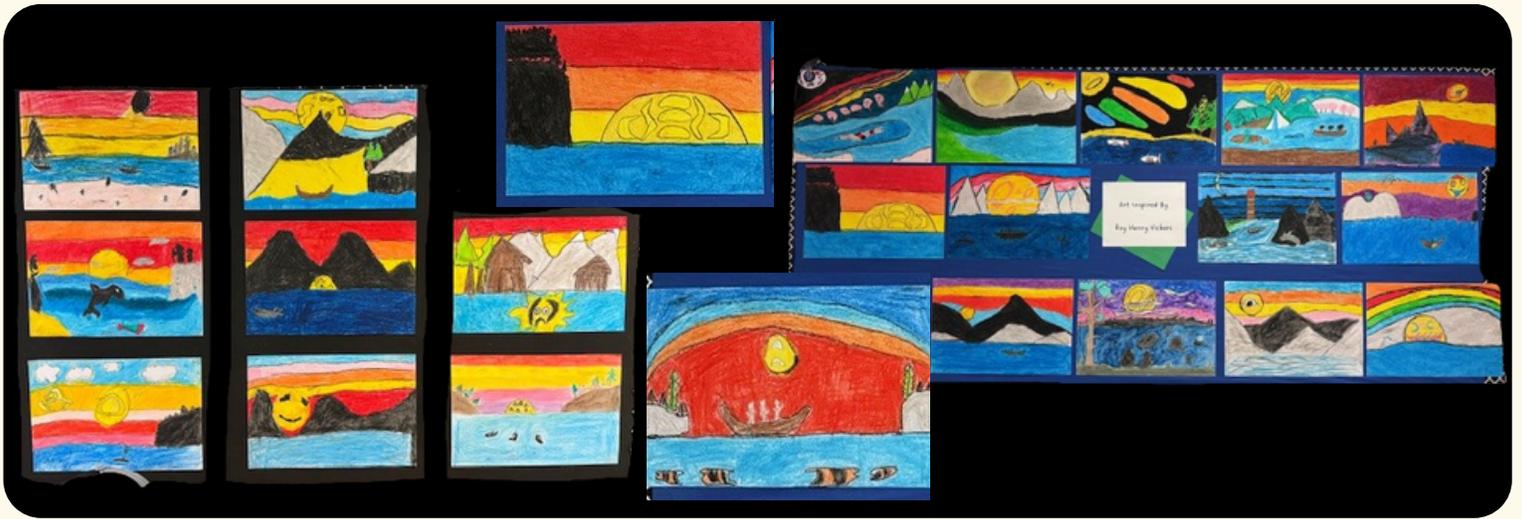
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STRONGSTART



StrongStart

678 Hudson Rd, Campbell River V9W 1T4 250-923-0735

Facilitator: Julie Webb Email: julie.webb@sd72.bc.ca



Georgia Park schedule:

Mon - Fri 9-12

This month we'll be talking about dinosaurs.

March 16 - 9:00 Debbie from Supported Child Development visiting to answer any questions you might have about your child's development and to provide information about her program.

March 17th - Green day - wear green for St. Patrick's day.

March 20 - 10:00 Courtenay Paleontology Museum fieldtrip. Meet at the Museum 207-4th St Courtenay. Park across the street (beside Sid Williams Theatre). Cost is \$15/family and there will be a sign up sheet in the classroom.

March 23rd - April 7th Closed for Spring Break.

Our first day back will be Wednesday April 8th. Have a great Spring Break!

Julie



March 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Closed for Spring Break March 23rd - April 7th StrongStart reopens Wednesday April 8th						

To find us on Facebook : search Georgia Park StrongStart (it is a closed group) and request to join





STRONGSTART

Here is the little girl/boy

Here is the little girl (hold up index finger)
Here is her bed (hold out hand)
Here is her pillow (wiggle thumb)
Here is her head (lay finger on palm)
Here are her blankets (wiggle fingers)
Roll them up tight (close hand over finger)
Sing her a lullaby (rock hand back and forth)
Kiss her goodnight (kiss hand)
Repeat with little boy



Toe Knee Chest Nut

Toe knee chest nut nose eye love you
Toe knee chest nut nose eye love you
Toe knee chest nut nose eye love you
Toe knee nose
Toe knee nose
Toe knee nose!



Sleeping Bunnies

See the little bunnies sleeping till it's nearly noon
Come and let us wake them with a merry tune
Oh how still, are they ill,
Wake up bunnies!
Hop little bunnies, hop, hop, hop
Hop little bunnies, hop, hop, hop
Hop little bunnies, hop, hop, hop
Hop little bunnies, hop, hop, Stop!



We gratefully acknowledge the financial contribution of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Education and Child Care.



SCHOOL DISTRICT 72 CAMPBELL RIVER

2025-2026 CALENDAR

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- Instructional
- Non-Instructional
- Vacation Period
- Statutory Holiday
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- Administrative
- Student led conference

- Aug. 28 Pro-D Day
- Sept. 1 Labour Day
- Sept. 2 Schools Open
- Sept. 30 Schools Closed - Truth & Reconciliation Day
- Oct. 13 Schools Closed - Thanksgiving
- Oct. 24 Pro-D Day
- Oct. 30 Student-Led Conference Day
Schools to Provide Details About Student Attendance.
- Nov. 11 Schools Closed - Remembrance Day
- Dec. 22 - Winter Break
- Jan. 2 Pro-D Day
- Jan. 16 Schools Closed - Family Day
- Feb. 16 Pro-D Day
- Feb. 17 Spring Break
- Mar. 23 - Schools Closed - Good Friday
- Apr. 2 Schools Closed - Easter Monday
- Apr. 3 Pro-D Day
- Apr. 8 Student-Led Conference Day
- Apr. 7 Student Attendance.
- Apr. 30 Schools Closed - Victoria Day
- May 18 Schools Closed - Administration Day
- June 26

Instructional
 Non-Instructional
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