



Ocean Grove Elementary

# NEWSLETTER



2026

## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back! I hope you and your family had a wonderful Spring Break and were able to relax and recharge as we head into the final stretch of the school year.

As we continue planning for next year, your help is very much appreciated. If your family may be moving away, please let us know. Likewise, if you know of any new families moving into our area, or families with kindergarten-aged children who have not yet registered, we kindly ask that you encourage them to contact the school. Having the most accurate information possible helps us plan effectively and ensures we are well prepared for September.

Learning Updates were sent home prior to the break, and Student-Led Conferences will take place on April 30<sup>th</sup>. We are proud of the progress our students are making and are grateful for the ongoing support from our Ocean Grove families.

Please be sure to review the upcoming events included in this newsletter (in addition to the many activities planned by your child's teacher) so you can keep track of all the upcoming events happening at Ocean Grove. It is going to be a busy and exciting few months ahead!

Warm regards,  
Hendrick Horsthuis

## Upcoming Events

- April 10<sup>th</sup>** - Hot Lunch ordering closes
- April 10<sup>th</sup>** - Unclaimed Lost & Found items to be packed up and donated
- April 20<sup>th</sup>** - PAC meeting @ 6 pm
- April 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Kindergarten Immunization Clinic
- April 30<sup>th</sup>** - NO CLASSES (Student-Led Conference Day)
- April 30 & May 1<sup>st</sup>** - Used Book Fair
- May 1<sup>st</sup>** - Track Meet at Southgate (Grade 5's)
- May 8<sup>th</sup>** - Grade 5 Tours at Southgate

## September Registrations

Grade K-4 students currently enrolled at Ocean Grove will automatically roll-over for September 2026 enrollment. Grade 5 students will be enrolled at our feeder school (Southgate) unless other advised by families.

If you have other plans for your student(s) please let us know at your earliest opportunity.

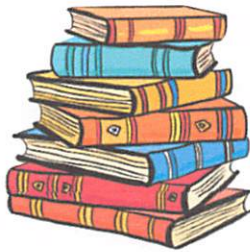
## Used Book Fair

### **DATES CHANGED!**

**April 30 & May 1**

- The PAC is accepting book donations..
- If you are able to volunteer for this event, please contact the PAC directly via email:

[pacoceangrove@gmail.com](mailto:pacoceangrove@gmail.com)



## Student Valuables

Due to privacy and safety concerns, we ask that students do **NOT** bring cameras to school.



In addition, students should not be bringing valuable (either emotional or financial) items to the school as they may easily be lost or misplaced. We can't be responsible for damaged or missing items.



## Bus Students

SD72 Transportation has advised that there has been an increase in the number of students not presenting bus passes after school. If a bus pass is not presented the driver may refuse boarding.

The district relies upon the information scanned daily from the individual bus passes to ensure student safety.

If your child requires a temporary bus pass they may come to the office. However, if they consistently rely upon the temporary passes they will be requested to bring \$10 to school to cover the cost of a new bus pass.

Thank you for your cooperation with this program.

## Student-Led Conferences

Regular classes are **NOT** in session on **Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** for Student-Led Conference Day.

Please look for information being sent home from your child's teacher regarding the format of their classroom conferences (ie appointments or open house).



## KF Immunization Clinic

The following message is provided by Island Health:

To make routine immunizations more accessible to children, Island Health is offering school-based immunization clinics for students in kindergarten who are due for routine immunizations (excluding COVID-19 & influenza).

Only children who are due for routine immunizations will receive a consent package through the school - our packages were sent home with students before Spring Break. If your child receives a package, follow the instructions included in the package and return the signed consent form to the school office as soon as possible. Parents/guardians may provide consent or refusal for each/all vaccines.

**Students will only be offered immunizations in a school-based clinic with the consent of a parent/guardian.** Immunizations will be provided at the school for kindergarten students on April 22, 2026.

An adult from your child's school, such as your child's teacher or teacher's assistant, or a Public Health Nurse will be available to provide support to your child while they receive their immunizations. If would you like to attend the appointment with your child, contact your local health unit to book a health unit appointment.

**Please ensure your child can recite their full name and date of birth, as the Public Health Nurse will need to confirm this information with your child prior to providing immunizations.**

Contact the Health Unit at 250-850-2110 if you have any questions.

