

Ocean Grove Newsletter

June 2025

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 Ocean Grove will continue to prepare them for this transition and we wish our grade 5 students well. They will be missed!

Ocean Grove 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. Classes are heading out daily on field trips and we are looking forward to our entire school going to Miracle Beach on June 20th.

Our district is in the process of staffing and I will send a staffing update to our school community once this has been finalized for Ocean Grove. To the wonderful Ocean Grove staff, thank you for all your hard work and dedication to our students. Thank you to our PAC and parents, who have tirelessly given their time and resources, we are grateful for your support with what we do at Ocean Grove Elementary School. On behalf of the entire staff at Ocean Grove, we wish you all a safe, restful, and memorable summer.

Warm Regards,

Hendrick Horsthuis



Upcoming Events:

June 13th - Hat & Jersey Day

- Gr.5 vs Teachers Kickball @ 1:15pm

June 17th - Grade 5 camp bob field trip

June 18th - Primary to Hagel Park

June 20th - Whole School to Miracle Beach

June 24th - Grade 5 Southgate Fun day

June 25th - Grade 5 Celebration @ 11:30 followed by Grade 5 Fun day

June 26th - Last Day: **Early Dismissal at 10:55 am**

- Optional water fight shortly before dismissal

Report Cards will be sent home with students on June 26th.

Any report cards or belongings not taken home will be placed in box in foyer for pick up.

Next Year Student School Supplies

We will once again be purchasing bulk student school supplies for September, and asking that families pay **\$45.00** (all grades) per student to cover the cost.

The bulk order of supplies is purchased from a local company and ensures that consistent quality of exact items is provided for classroom use.



Please note, **we will not be requesting payment from students until the end of August.**

An email will be sent to all Ocean Grove families just before September start-up, requesting payment and providing full details on the payment options.

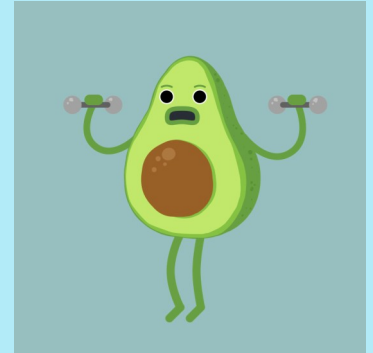
With lots of outdoor activities, we are noticing an increased number of minor student injuries due to inappropriate footwear.

We strongly suggest that students wear runners or sandals (with heel straps), for running, playing outside, and fieldtrips. Safety first!



Lunches

There has been a noticeable increase of students requesting extra food from the school. With growing students and extra time outside, please ensure your child has extra snacks to see them thru the day.



It is a continual challenge trying to return **Lost & Found** items to students. Most items are not labelled with students' names/initials.

Lost & Found items are on display in the main foyer.

*Any items not claimed from our Lost & Found by noon on **Thursday, June 26th** will be collected and donated to a local charity.*

Student Medications

All student medications provided to the school this year must be **PICKED UP before leaving for the summer.**

We are not permitted to keep medications at the school over the summer. New medical information forms will be required again in September.

News from the Library

The week of May 30th is the last official week of book exchanges for this school year. All library books are to be returned by **Friday, June 6th**. If students are interested in summer book sign-out from our school library, Mrs. Sharpe will be sending home a permission slip shortly.

CLASS PHOTOS: each student has been provided with a *FREE* class photo for this school year.

Unless advised otherwise by the classroom teacher, this photo will be placed in the student's report card envelope.

Early Pick-Up of Students

(and late drop-off)

Many of our classrooms participate in walking fieldtrips around our neighbourhood. This is likely to increase as the weather improves.

Unlike bus fieldtrips, you may not receive advance notice of the walking fieldtrips.

If you are planning to pick up your child from school early, please remember to email BOTH the office AND teacher **no later than 8:00 am**, so that arrangements may be made around the fieldtrip. Thank you!

2024 - 2025 Student Bus Passes

Bus pass applications for the Fall have been opened on the district website using this link:
[Student Transportation \(sd72.bc.ca\)](https://sd72.bc.ca)

The **application deadline** to ensure approved ridership bus passes are available at school start-up is **June 27th**. Ensure that you are selecting the correct year in the drop-down menu.

Please do not duplicate applications. One application per child is sufficient. If you feel that you have made an error, please call the Transportation Dept.

The Transportation Dept. has noted that there have been an extraordinary amount of lost bus passes this year, so students are reminded to keep care of their passes to ensure seamless ridership throughout the school year.

The policy of **MUST HAVE** a bus pass to ride the school bus will be strictly enforced in the Fall, and will likely be in full effect by the end of September.



Some classes will be participating in a **water fight** the last day of school at 10:30 am.

Your child's teacher will advise if they are participating.



A huge thank you to our wonderful PAC, parents and community members for their support throughout the school year!



Your contributions of both time and energy to our school help to make it a special place for all to work and learn.

Friendly reminder

We are a school zone, please drive slow and with caution in the neighborhood and parking lot.



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Ocean Grove's office will be open Wednesday, August 27, 2025 through Friday, August 29, 2025 for new registrations and information.

You may leave a message via voicemail or email to oceangrove@sd72.bc.ca prior to that date if necessary.

September Start-Up

Once start times have been finalized a email will go out to families.

Check the SD72 website and/or the local newspapers for news about school openings and bussing. *Please note times may change dependent on bussing.*

**ENJOY
YOUR
SUMMER
BREAK!**





June 2025

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8	9	10	11	12	13 Hot Lunch— Booster Juice	14
15	16	17	18 Hagel Park	19 Hot Lunch— Boston Pizza	20 Beach day	21
22	23	24	25 Grade 5 cele- bration	26 LAST DAY— Early dismissal	27	28
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School District 72 Campbell River

2024-2025 CALENDAR

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

Aug. 29	Pro-D Day
Sept. 2	Labour Day
Sept. 3	Schools Open
Sept. 30	Schools Closed - Truth & Reconciliation Day
Oct. 14	Schools Closed - Thanksgiving
Oct. 25	Pro-D Day
Nov. 1	Student-Led Conference Day
	Schools to Provide Details About Student Attendance.
Nov. 11	Schools Closed - Remembrance Day
Dec. 23 -	Winter Break
Jan. 3	
Jan. 17	Pro-D Day
Feb. 17	Schools Closed - Family Day
Feb. 18	Pro-D Day
Mar. 17 -	Spring Break
Mar. 28	
Mar. 31	Pro-D Day
Apr. 18	Schools Closed - Good Friday
Apr. 21	Schools Closed - Easter Monday
May 1	Student-Led Conference Day
	Schools Provide Details About Student Attendance.
May 19	Schools Closed - Victoria Day
June 27	Schools Closed - Administration Day

 Instructional  Non-Instructional  Vacation Period  Statutory Holiday



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