

next week at colquitz

friday, may 10, 2024

THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

Hello Colquitz Families,

This week was made even more fun with "Dress like a Teacher Day", which staff took as an opportunity to do a SECRET "Dress like a Student Day"! There were quite a few double takes and confused looks as I walked past students. It was hilarious! I've got to say the kids sure know how to dress comfortably. I'm tempted to make this my every day...

Next week is Rainbow Week! Starting on Monday, May 13th-21st, the rainbow pride flag will be flying at Colquitz to celebrate the diversity that 2SLGBTQI+ students and staff bring to our school. Staff and students will also wear rainbow colours on Thursday, May 16th to support and celebrate!

Most important, however, is that it is MOTHER'S DAY on Sunday. Many thanks to all of the mothers, grandmothers and mother-figures who support our students and families every day. Your strength, efforts, hard work, wisdom and guidance help our students be their best selves. We see this and appreciate it. We appreciate YOU.

Have a wonderful, sunny weekend with your family.

- Carrie Schlappner—Principal



next week at a glance

Monday, May 13

Tuesday, May 14

Wednesday, May 15

Thursday, May 16

- Indigenous Drumming in Foyer at 8:20am—everyone welcome
- Pizza Day
- DISTRICT TRANSITION DAY—Grade 8s go to high schools in afternoon

Friday, May 17

PRO-D Day—no school

International Day against Homo/Trans/Bi Phobia

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upcoming important dates—mark your calendars!

Monday, May 20	Victoria Day—no school
Tuesday, May 21	PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm in Library
Week of May 27th	Musical (Monday-Saturday except Thursday) Tickets on sale now!
Wednesday, June 5	Year-End Concert #1 (Band) - 7pm
Friday, June 7	Indigenous Student Lunch
Wednesday, June 12	Year-End Concert #2 (Strings and Choir) - 7pm
Friday, June 14	CC Day #3—11:45am early dismissal
Tuesday, June 18	PAC Meeting at 6:30pm in Library



Yearbook orders close on May 15th

If you would like to order your child a yearbook, please **order online at ybpay.ca using our school order ID#13717624.**

Yearbooks cost \$23.00 and include:

- 64 full colour pages
- Individual and class photos
- Team and club photos
- Candid photos of events from the past year

HIGHWAY 1 COLQUITZ BRIDGES PROJECT INFORMATION & UPDATES May 3rd, 2024



Ministry of
Transportation
and Infrastructure



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Highway 1-Colquitz River Bridges Widening project will widen and seismically retrofit both existing two-lane bridges over Burnside Road on Highway 1 in Victoria, as well as establish a dedicated bus-on-shoulder lane. Greater Victoria is getting busier, and it's crucial we have a strong transportation network that people can count on to get to and from their work, homes, and families between downtown and the West Shore. Widening the Colquitz River bridges will make for a more reliable, efficient commute for south Islanders while protecting local waterways and ecosystems.

PROJECT UPDATES

Pomerleau Inc has been awarded the construction contract for the H1 Colquitz Bridges Project. A pre-construction meeting was held at the Ministry's Saanich office with Pomerleau and Ministry personnel, to discuss the construction schedule, environmental management, traffic coordination, and many other deliverables. Pomerleau mobilized onto site at the end of April 2024.

ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENTS

The Project will provide environmental enhancements by planting native trees, removing invasive species and treating runoff before discharging into the river. The Project will install a new bridge deck drainage system and rain garden to filter runoff prior to discharging into the river. An oil/grit separator will also be installed along the storm line that currently collects runoff from Burnside Road West to reduce oil or sediments from entering the river in this location.

Target Schedule



For more information about this project, please contact:
Mika Beharavskiy, Project Manager, MOTI - 778-974-3032
Krista England, Regional Manager of Environmental Services, MOTI - 236-468-1599

Reporting

Absences



Please email colquitz@sd61.bc.ca AND your child's teacher if your child will be late or absent, or call the Attendance Line at 250-479-4313.

This is the best way to ensure we get the message and a call-out does not go out to you in error.

Thank you

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Rainbow Week May 13th-17th

Don't forget:
**DISTRCT
TRANSITION DAY
MAY 16th**

Transition
Ahead

Spotlight on Learning

To follow up on last week—here are some photos from volunteers at the Kids Run last Sunday. A reminder that our students raised a total of \$2,956! Amazing! Many thanks to everyone who did fundraising, organizing, volunteering, and ran in the race!



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For location & registration details, visit our website.

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SPRING SPORTS @ COLQUITZ

Rugby, Badminton and Track & Field

Here is the schedule for Spring Sports.

Please check in with your students around information from coaches.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lxJXHhqJolxjbbEJXRtDbZXAA58Da_USsmCpgsV0EWO/edit?usp=sharing

MAY 13-17	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before school	Gr. 7/8 Brown Vball optional	Grade 7 Vball			PRO-D DAY
Lunch practice	Discus/ <u>shotput</u>	Rugby	HJ 6/7	Badminton Rugby	
After school practice	Rugby				
Competition		RUGBY 6/7 @ Colquitz		Track & Field Meet Ms Anderson Mrs C **See Meet schedule for events	



FINE ARTS FUNDRAISER

TUESDAYS AT LUNCH \$3 a bag!

CPAPA is looking for parents to help supervise popcorn sales at lunch (11:50am-12:50pm) on Tuesdays.

This is a fundraiser that supports band, choir, strings, drama and musical theater. We need one parent per week for 1 hour over the lunch break. Students are responsible for selling the popcorn, we just need a parent to help supervise. Please use the link to sign up for a slot. More details will come out to volunteers this weekend.

Thanks for supporting the performing arts!

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#/showSignUp/10C054FABAF2BA2FC1-49053326-kernels>



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WYLD LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

GRADE 8 +

Must be completing grade 8 in June 2024 or older

Saanich's Youth WYLD Leadership Program is now accepting applications. Have you ever wanted to be a summer camp leader, lifeguard, police officer, or first responder? This is the program for you. Apply now for this hands on mentored placement program that prepares youth for future employment and post secondary education.

APPLY NOW

maddie.parks@saanich.ca saanich.ca/youth 250 475 7624



Pizza Hot Lunch Thursdays – Order yours now!



This is a reminder that in the last week of each month, families can order pizza for the next month.

May sales are open. June will go up in the last week of May.

Please note that you **need to order WEEK TO WEEK**, thus giving you the option to skip weeks if you so choose. **You must get your orders in each week BY MONDAY AT NOON.** There can be no exceptions.

Please note that there are **no refunds for unclaimed pizza**. Parents – you can arrange to pick up your order the same day or transfer it to another student **if you inform us by 11am Thursdays** at colquitz@sd61.bc.ca or call 250-479-1678.

Here is the link to School Cash Online to make your order: <https://sd61.schoolcashonline.com/>

Lead the Change will be doing our **Walk for Water campaign** in late May and we are looking for washed out 2L or 4L Milk jugs. If you have these at home and you're willing to donate to our campaign, that would be awesome!

What is the water walk?

A walk with your class- around the school, down at the creek, around the block-go for as long as you want in the time you have. Each class that signs up will have a 40 minute time slot with the jugs and a 5 minute window between classes to transition. Each student should carry one jug filled with water, or two, if there are enough.

Why?

To help build understanding and empathy for the many people around the world who don't have access to clean drinking water and who have to walk very long distances to get their water.

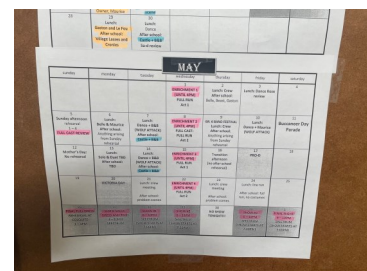


FINE ARTS UPDATE

Grade 6 Band Festival Thursday morning - students and walkers must be at school by **8am in uniform** with instruments and music

Wednesday and Friday mornings at 7:40 are our last marching practices. All band students are expected to attend unless I have heard otherwise. **Students need to make sure the piece is memorized.** The **parade is Saturday morning** and an email with details will follow

MUSICAL REHEARSAL SCHEDULE



MAY						
Day	Date	Event	Time	Location	Notes	Rehearsal
Monday	May 6	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Tuesday	May 7	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Wednesday	May 8	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Thursday	May 9	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Friday	May 10	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Saturday	May 11	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Sunday	May 12	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Monday	May 13	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Tuesday	May 14	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Wednesday	May 15	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Thursday	May 16	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Friday	May 17	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Saturday	May 18	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Sunday	May 19	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Monday	May 20	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Tuesday	May 21	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Wednesday	May 22	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Thursday	May 23	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Friday	May 24	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Saturday	May 25	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Sunday	May 26	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Monday	May 27	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Tuesday	May 28	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Wednesday	May 29	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Thursday	May 30	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		
Friday	May 31	Band Practice	7:40	Colquitz School		

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BEAYOUTIFUL CONFIDENCE PROGRAM

Join the BeaYOUtiful team as they navigate valuable discussions on gratitude, media literacy, body positivity, self love, goal setting and more!

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THURSDAYS | MAY 16 - JUNE 13, 2024

6:15PM - 7:45PM PST

BRAEFoot PARK CENTRE

1359 MCKENZIE AVE, VICTORIA

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THE QR CODE OR BY VISITING
THE LINK BELOW:



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/867788467667?aff=oddttdcreator>

Youth and Junior Youth Drop-in

A space to build meaningful
friendships and develop your talents
and interests!

Monday through Friday

3:00pm - 4:30pm

Tillicum Community Empowerment Centre
#102-306 Burnside Rd W



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MINDFUL MEDITATION

AGES 13 - 17



Research supports the benefits of incorporating regular meditation in our daily lives. Whether it is for competitive sports, coping with anxiety, or dealing with everyday stressors, being able to calm our nervous system with mindful meditation has proven to have multiple benefits. Come learn the basic tools to meditate while sitting, walking, and laying down.

May 1st - June 5th
Wednesdays 4:30 - 5:30

@ The Youth Centre
Saanich Commonwealth Place

REGISTER
HERE

maddie.parks@saanich.ca

saanich.ca/youth

250 475 7624



PARKS, RECREATION
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PEARKE'S AFTER SCHOOL DROP IN FREE!



January - June
Monday to Friday - 3:15- 5:15pm

@ The Flipside Youth Centre
Pearkes Recreation Centre

A FREE supervised
social for
youth with snacks,
pool, foosball, board
and video games and
more!

Tyler.smith2@saanich.ca

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