

next week at colquitz

friday, may 22, 2026

THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

Hello Colquitz Families,

It was another wonderful week at Colquitz!

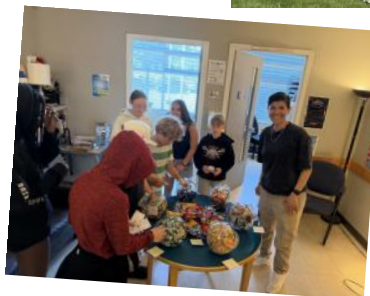
We hope you all had a chance to enjoy the beautiful weather over the long weekend and this week. We are so fortunate to live in such a beautiful place that the Lekwungen people have stewarded since time immemorial.

This week was short, but one of the highlights was the rugby tournaments. All of the players worked well as a team and played some of the best rugby of the season.

On Wednesday, our grade 8s went to Camosun College to learn about the programs they offer. This is a great way to start students thinking about their future goals, which can motivate them to be more engaged in their learning in high school.



May is Mental Health Month and our YFC, Melody Kassiri, has been helping with initiatives to encourage joy and kindness at Colquitz. Today students came to the "Kindness Shop" to exchange the "Kindness Bucks" they earned for being kind to others for candy. There was a lineup down the hall!



Today also marks the last day that Ms. Schuring and the Yearbook Club will be working on the yearbook before it goes to print! Many thanks for all of the countless hours they have put into making a beautiful collection of memories for everyone to enjoy. Be sure to purchase if you have not already!



Enjoy the weekend with your friends and family,

- Carrie Schlappner, Principal

next week at a glance

Monday, May 25 • Salmon People Assembly @ 10:45am

Tuesday, May 26 • *Eid al-Adha*

Wednesday, May 27 • Theatre Pull-Out Ends

Thursday, May 28

Friday, May 29

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upcoming important dates—*mark your calendars!*

Monday, June 1	Musical Theatre Week
Monday, June 8	World Ocean's Day CC Day (Early Dismissal @ 11.45 am)
Wednesday, June 10	Year end Concert @ 1.15pm Year end Concert @ 7pm
Monday, June 15	Indigenous Student Lunch
Tuesday, June 16	PAC Meeting @6.30 pm
Monday, June 17	<i>Spirit Day : Tacky Tourist Day</i> CPAPA Meeting @ 6.30 pm
Tuesday, June 22	Grade 8 Fun Day

Reminder School Newsletter Grade 6 - Spring

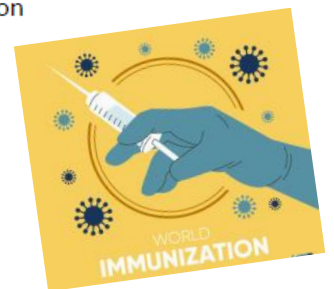


The following wording should be included in a school newsletter for grade 6 students 2-3 weeks prior to the school-based clinic:

Consent packages for grade 6 students were sent home from the school in the fall. Public health nurses will be returning to offer grade 6 immunizations in school-based clinics with the consent of a parent/guardian/representative on **May 26, 2026**.

[Human papillomavirus \(HPV\) vaccine](#) is recommended in grade 6 as part of the B.C. immunization schedule to prevent 6 types of cancer (cervical, oropharyngeal, anal, vaginal, vulvar, and penile cancers).

Contact the local Health Unit at **250-519-5100** if you have any questions.



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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PAC UPDATE



Thank you to everyone who attended Tuesday's PAC AGM on May 19.

We're pleased to welcome your new PAC Executive: Elaine Parker as Chair and Amie Hardiman as Treasurer.



The following positions remain vacant: Vice Chair, Secretary, and VCPAC Representative.

Meeting minutes can be found here:
[CMS AGM PAC Draft Minutes May 19 2026](#)



Summer Camp Programs For Children and Youth with Support Needs (CYSN)

Please find **attached pdf's with this email** for 2026 Summer Camp Resources.

Also, see Summer Camp Programs for CYSN at the link below:
[Summer Camp and Programs for Children and Youth with](#)

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Be Part of the Magic

Volunteer for Lion King Jr.!

The Sign Up Genius is now live for volunteers!

Click here to sign up: [Sign Up Genius - Lion King Jr.](#)

If you would like to assess the make up / face paint required, come to the next Sunday rehearsal on May 24. A breakdown, to give you an idea of where help is needed and to help you prepare your evenings:



Before the show (6–7 pm):

- Backstage help (hair, makeup, costumes, general support) - especially in need of volunteers for makeup/facepaint
- Foyer help (tickets, concession, troubleshooting)

Bring someone to stand in line for you as we are unable to reserve seats

During the show (7 pm–end):

- Shushers helping students remember we're in Spectrum's space – literally shushing them

Concession during intermission, at least one adult required and likely alumni students will participate

After the show (end–10 pm max):

- Cleanup, leaving Spectrum exactly as we found it
More hands = faster exit!

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MUSICAL THEATRE

Next week is the lead up to show time and every rehearsal is critical. With 120 students spacing on stage for choreography is measured to the centimeter and any absence can make a difference to safety and planning. Please try to ensure your child attends.

SUNDAY May 24: 1:00-4:00pm

EVERYONE CALLED



Bring **ALL COSTUME BASICS** (shoes, pants, shirts, etc)

We'll be working on doing a full run of music and lines as well as a "costume parade" to make sure everyone has what they need.

MONDAY May 25: 3:00 - 4:00pm (*JUST PEOPLE IN SCENES THAT NEED WORK*) any scenes that still need work based on what happens on Sunday

TUESDAY May 26 3:00 - 4:00pm EVERYONE CALLED for a run of ACT 1 team Swahili

WEDNESDAY May 27 1:45 - 4:00pm EVERYONE CALLED **THEATRE PULLOUT (last one!)** full run of the show team Zulu

THURSDAY May 28 3:00 - 4:00pm EVERYONE CALLED for a run of Act 2 team Swahili

FRIDAY May 29 3:00 - 4:00pm EVERYONE CALLED final choreography review, costume changes

SUNDAY May 31 12:00 - 4:00pm EVERYONE CALLED full **DRESS rehearsal and our last rehearsal at Colquitz.** *We need to pack up all the costumes and set pieces for pick up, everyone that can lend a hand please help so we can be done quickly!!!!*

MONDAY June 1 3:00 - 10pm STAGE CREW meet at Spectrum after school for tech (pizza dinner provided for stage crew)

MONDAY June 1 6:00 - 10:00pm EVERYONE CALLED FOR OUR ONLY DRESS REHEARSAL AT SPECTRUM. PLEASE ARRIVE IN HAIR AND UNDERPINNINGS. (we always hope to be done earlier, but our rental is until 10pm just in case!) TEAM SWAHILI

TUESDAY JUNE 2: 6:00 - 10:00pm EVERYONE CALLED FOR OPENING NIGHT. Again, arrive with hair done and underpinnings on. *We're aiming to be done by 9:30!!!* (again the rental is until 10 just in case!) TEAM SWAHILI

WEDNESDAY 6:00 - 10:00pm EVERYONE CALLED FOR SHOW NIGHT. Again, arrive with hair done and underpinnings on. *We're aiming to be done by 9:30!!!* (again the rental is until 10 just in case!) TEAM ZULU

THURSDAY NO SHOW, GET SOME SLEEP!

FRIDAY 6:00 - 10:00pm EVERYONE CALLED FOR SHOW NIGHT. Again, arrive with hair done and underpinnings on. *We're aiming to be done by 9:30!!!* (again the rental is until 10 just in case!) TEAM SWAHILI

SATURDAY 6:00 - 10:00pm EVERYONE CALLED FOR CLOSING NIGHT. Again, arrive with hair done and underpinnings on. *AS THIS IS THE LAST SHOW CLEAN UP MAY TAKE EXTRA TIME BUT WE'RE DONE BY 10* TEAM ZULU

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MUSIC UPDATE

come to the band room during breaks to practice. Practice is how we make

Term Check-in 3: Term check-in #3 will be due Thursday, June 4th.

Students were given their third and final check-in assignment this week. Students have been given 2 selections from their method book, and they must complete BOTH of them to complete their term check-in. Students who do not complete their check-in will be held on CC day on Monday, June 8th. Emails for students who need to stay for CC day will be sent to parents/guardians on Friday, June 5th.

Students have been given a paper copy and reviewed it during class this week, and it is available on google classroom for each grade. Students may complete their check-ins in any of the 3 ways:

Submit a video recording via google classroom (preferred), usb, email, or uploading it unlisted on YouTube and emailing the link to Ms. Forster

On Tuesday, June 2nd, students may sign up for a time to see Ms. Forster one on one to complete their term check-in during nut break or lunch recess.

In class during the week of June 2-4.

Students may resubmit their check-ins until Thursday, June 11th.

Please encourage your students to practice for the year end concert on June 10th and for their term check-ins. If they are unable to practice at home, please remind them to

progress!

If your student needs help, they are welcome and encouraged to come see Ms. Forster during a break this week!

Extra help/practice space is available:
Tuesday Nut break

Wednesday Nut Break and lunch recess

Thursday Nut break and lunch recess (practice space only)

Practice Records: Practice records are being posted and due weekly. Paper copies are always available in the band room.

Schedule:

Tuesday:

7:40 am: Band 7/8 COMBINED

8:54 am: Band 6 Green

9:36 am: Band 6 Orange

Lunch: Jazz Band (Please come right at lunch EATING time.)

Wednesday:

7:40 am: BAND 6 COMBINED (All instruments, both pods)

10:33 am: Band 7

11:15 am: Band 8

Thursday:

7:40 am: JAZZ BAND

8:54 am: Band 8

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SPORTS @ COLQUITZ

**Here is the schedule for Sports practices and games.
Please check in with your students around information from coaches.**

May25-May 29	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before school	Girls comp vball w Mark and Kiet 7:10 (all welcome who want to play comp)				
Lunch practice	HJ in the gym Running practice, library field Albach and Harvie	Part Fit Fitness Class for Teachers & Staff 12:12 to 12:42	Intramural Floor Hockey Discus practice w Mr Arnot Shotput with Mrs C		Long Jump/Triple Jump practice Albach and Harvie
After school practice				Mountain Biking 3:45-5pm at Hartland	
Competition	Track and Field Meet 3 @ UVic		Track and Field Meet 3 @ UVic		

Please email Christine Crljenkovic ccrljenkovic@sd61.bc.ca if you have any questions

