

# next week at colquitz

friday, June 12, 2026

## THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

Hello Colquitz Families,

It was another wonderful week at Colquitz!

This week's highlights were CC Day on Monday, a Yearbook celebration Tuesday, the Music Concert Wednesday, and Marching band surprise Friday morning. We also held a lunch for the staff and community coaches Friday at lunch.

Teachers are working hard on their Learning Updates, and the number of field trips is increasing. Please note that hot weather is expected in the coming days, so please make sure students are dressing for the weather, and have good shoes, water bottles and hats for field trips.

Grade 8 parents—please note the grade 8 events on page 5, including the Leaving Ceremony on Wednesday, June 24th. Please arrive by 12:30pm for a 1pm start.



As we head into the last two weeks, enjoy the sunny week-end with your friends and family,

- Carrie Schlappner,  
Principal



## next week at a glance

Monday, June 15

- PAC Meeting @6.30 pm (**NOTE CHANGE FROM TUESDAY**)

Tuesday, June 16

- Grade 8 Indigenous Students' Ceremony at 12:15pm

Wednesday, June 17

- Spirit Day : Tacky Tourist Day
- CPAPA Meeting @6.30pm

Thursday, June 18

Friday, June 19

- Grade 8s to Tsawwassen Water Slides

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## upcoming important dates—*mark your calendars!*

Tuesday, June 22	Grade 8 Fun Day
Wednesday, June 24	Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony @1pm
Thursday, June 25	Last Day of School Year End Assembly @ 1.30pm

**June 26-Sept 07**

**SUMMER BREAK**

## **NO PARKING OR STOPPING IN STAFF PARKING LOT**

**The Staff Parking Lot is for staff only.**

**This is especially important in the mornings, when staff are counting on being able to park to be to work on time or carry in heavy loads.**

**Please DO NOT use our parking lot and stalls as a place to stop to drop off students.** This is what the pull-outs on Dumeresq are for. Or, better yet, please have your child scooter, bike or walk to school, or drop them off a block or two away to reduce congestion around the school.

We appreciate your consideration.

**STAFF  
PARKING  
ONLY  
NO  
PICK-UPS OR  
DROP-OFFS**

*Reporting*

Absences



**Please email [colquitz@sd61.bc.ca](mailto: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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## SPORTS @ COLQUITZ

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

Jun 15-Jun19	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before school	Girls comp vball w Mark and Kiet 7:10 (all welcome who want to play comp (last session)				
Lunch practice			Intramural Hockey	Intramural Hockey	Grade 8 Intramural Pickball
After school practice				Last Mountain Bike Club Ride. Tailgate BBQ after the ride.	
Competition					

**Please email Christine Crljenkovic [ccrljenkovic@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:ccrljenkovic@sd61.bc.ca) if you have any questions**



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## Mountain Bike Club

We will have our final ride on Thursday, June 18 which will culminate with a tailgate barbecue after the ride. There will be an email sent to parents and guardians next week with a sign up list for items requested for the tailgate party such as hotdogs, buns, drinks, condiments and other snack items.



Thank you to all of the parents who have supported the mountain bike club this year by volunteering to transport students to and from the rides each week. A special shout out to the parents who rode with us throughout the year.

**TRY ULTIMATE**

**JOIN THE VICTORIA ULTIMATE FRISBEE YOUTH SUMMER LEAGUE**

UPCOMING YOUTH ULTIMATE PROGRAMS  
(MIDDLE SCHOOL AGES WELCOME)  
YOUTH ULTIMATE SUMMER LEAGUE

Our very popular community-based Youth Summer League is open for registration. This is a casual, fun program for all playing levels, ages 9-15, and is designed to be accessible and affordable at just \$50 for the season. The 2026 league will run Thursday evenings in July and August at Beckwith Park (6:00-8:00 pm). The sessions will focus on skill development, modified games and gameplay, and Spirit of the Game.

**SUMMER CAMPS**

Camps run weekly throughout July and August for all experience levels.

**SCHOOL LEAGUES**

After Summer League and camps, students can join their middle school Ultimate club. The official season begins in September. The program is co-ed, and open to all skill levels (including beginners), and includes fun games against other middle schools.

Ultimate is a fast-moving, non-contact sport that's fun and open to all ages and skill levels. Get active, learn the game, and join a welcoming community built around running, throwing, and having fun together.

[vups.bc.ca](http://vups.bc.ca) | [youth@vups.bc.ca](mailto:youth@vups.bc.ca)

# GRADE 8 EVENTS in JUNE

## June 2026 Calendar of Events

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	2	3	4	5
8 Curriculum Completion Afternoon Dismissal @ 11:45 	9 Indigenous Student Lunch (all grades)	10	11	12
15	16 Indigenous Student Grade 8 Ceremony	17 Whole School Spirit Day : Tacky Tourist Day Behaviour & Expectations Meeting for Waterslides 12:45-1:00 in gym (Students only)	18	19 Big Splash Water Park Meet at the ferry terminal at 7:15 AM COST: \$45 
22 GRADE 8 DAY!  Pizza Lunch COST: Pizza \$3 Slice Free drink, veggies & treat 	23 Hampton Park 12:15-2:30 PM COST: FREE 	24 Grade 8 Recognition Ceremony @ 1:00 pm  Practice with students in blocks 3-4 (10:30)  Grade 8 families welcome to attend assembly - doors open at 12:30pm	25 Whole School Assembly 1:30  Learning Updates on Parent Connect @3pm ----- HAVE A GREAT SUMMER BREAK!	

## Attention Grade 8 Families



You are cordially invited to our **Grade 8 Recognition Ceremony** on **Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>** at **1:00 pm** in the gym.

The doors will open at 12:30pm.  
No early arrivals will be permitted in the gym.  
Please line up at the basketball court door.

We look forward to seeing you.

## Thunder Nation Basketball



Calling all basketball players in Spectrum Catchment! If you are looking for a fun and competitive playing environment in your neighborhood then we want to hear from you.

For the 2026-27 Night League season we are looking to assemble U13\* and U15\* Boys Basketball Team and a U13\* Girls Basketball Team

- \*U13 Team - under the age of 13 on December 31st 2026
- \*U15 Team - under the age of 15 on December 31st 2026

### Logistics:

- 1 practice per week (Sunday morning) and one skills sessions
- Reversible jersey and shorts, and warm up top for players to keep. • 1 Night League game per week. Chance for a competitive team to play in British Columbia Club Basketball Association tournaments.
- Coaching by one of our coaching staff.

TO REGISTER OR ASK QUESTIONS CONTACT US:


thundernationbasketball@gmail.com

## SET SAIL ON A TALL SHIP!


SALTS youth trips are full of intentional community, confidence-building adventures, immersion in nature, and time away from online distractions.

This summer, choose between 5- or 10-day trips!  
Open to ages 13-23. No sailing experience required.


Click or scan to learn more:




[How to Register](#)



[All Summer 2026 Trips](#)



[Safety Info](#)



[Rhythms of Life Onboard](#)

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## MUSIC UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who came out to the concert and supported all the students! They played well and did a fantastic job! Feel free to email any photos or videos to Ms. Forster: [kforster@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:kforster@sd61.bc.ca). Thank you to everyone who helped fold programs, run, and contributed to the bake sale!

### Instruments DUE BACK ASAP

If your students have rented an instrument from the school, please make sure it is returned by Tuesday, June 16th. They all need to be cleaned and inventoried!

### Switch Band and summer rentals

Next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at lunch (starting at eating time) students will have the option to do switch band! Switch band is an opportunity for students to try a new instrument! Some students use it to try a new instrument for concert band, many use it to try an instrument for jazz band, and some just want to try something new for fun!

Switch band is primarily meant for wind instruments. If a student wants to switch to percussion, that can be a conversation had with Ms. Forster! Percussion is a whole section of instruments, not one; three lunches are not enough time. If the fit is right, students can borrow things over the summer.

Students do not need to attend all 3 days to try something new, but they should attend if they are not on a field trip. Please send any more questions to Ms. Forster!

If your student knows they want to try a saxophone or clarinet, if they could bring a single size 2.5 reed, that would be appreciated. If not, Ms. Forster will provide a reed.

If your student wants to continue to play their instrument over the summer, please email Ms. Forster! Arrangements can be made, given that if the instrument breaks, the school is unable to pay for repairs.

**CPAPA:** AGM is this Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the art room! Please come out to be a part of the team! Digital option may be available under CPAPA's section in the newsletter. All but one member of the executive is graduating this month, so come join! It was great to see everyone last month.

**Practice Records:** Practice records have been completed for the year!

### Schedule: (See changes)

#### Tuesday:

**7:40 am:** NO BAND 7/8.

**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:** NO GRADE 6 BAND

**10:33 am:** Band 7

**11:15 am:** Band 8 (Concert Set-up)

#### Thursday:

**7:40 am:** NO JAZZ BAND

**8:54 am:** Band 8

**9:36 am:** Band 6 Green

**10:33 am:** Band 7

**11:15 am:** Band 6 Orange

#### Dates To Note:

**Tuesday-Thursday, June 16-18:** Switch band!

**Wednesday, June 17th:** CPAPA AGM: 6:30 in the art room!



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## Colquitz Performing Arts Parents Association (CPAPA)

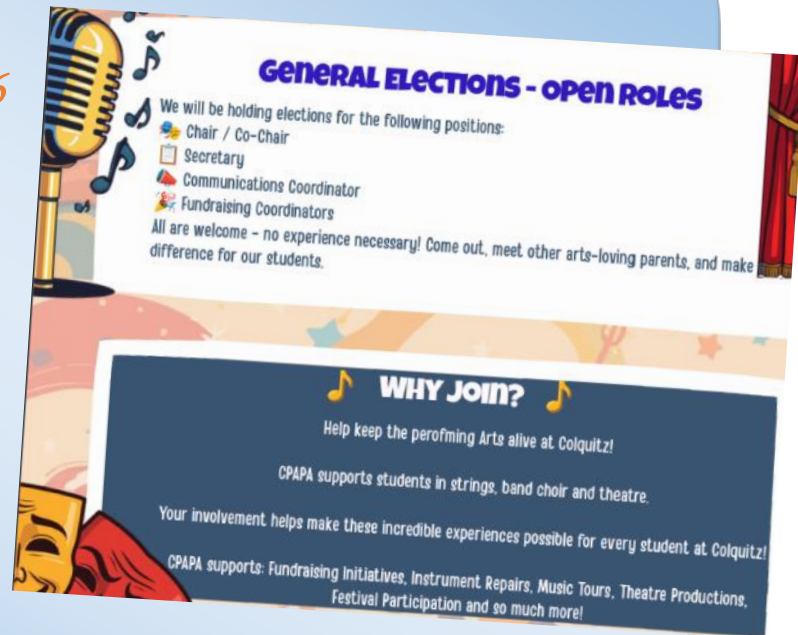
*CPAPA is holding its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 6.30pm in the art Room*

The Year End Concert Bake Sale is June 17, 2026

We are looking for volunteers to bake/bring treats and help us setup, teardown and serve up the goods to hungry concertgoers!

The live link for the bake sale is:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA4A923A2FDC52-64442370-year>



## PAC UPDATE

**Our next meeting is on Monday June 15 2026 @ 6:30 PM.**

Please note the new day for meetings: PAC will be meeting on Mondays throughout the 2026/27 school year as well!

Agenda and Minutes can be found here:

<< LINK - Agenda is attached with this email - Minutes are already on the website - thank you!>>

At this upcoming meeting, we will be **welcoming Grade 5 parents/caregivers from catchment schools**. We also encourage **all Colquitz parents/caregivers to attend** - this is a great opportunity to **ask questions** and **learn about what the next school year will look like** including updates on school population and expected number of divisions. Your ideas and suggestions are always welcome!

Finally - we want to express our heartfelt thanks to outgoing PAC Executives **Leanne Koop** and **Serena Samra** for their **years of dedication** to PAC and the Colquitz community - **THANK YOU!**



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Parents are welcome to reach out to us directly at [parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org](mailto:parentingprograms@bgcsvi.org) with any questions.

Online registration is also available at [Parenting Programs | BGC South Vancouver Island](#).

## **Explosive Behaviour In Teens: Strategies To Empower Parents:**

When our teens show up in explosive ways, we might blame ourselves, or feel unsure how to respond. Join us to watch this video presentation followed by a discussion.

### **Time & Dates:**

Thurs. June 4th - 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Thurs. June 11th - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

**Online Event Registration:** <https://familysmart.ca/online-events/>

**Watch Now:** <https://youtu.be/USkd1QleNdc?si=Og59Q0s4JebWQU2n>

## **Beyond Behaviours: When Is It More, What It looks Like Ages 9 - 12:**

Learn from Karen Peters, a registered clinical counsellor, as she talks with us about the developmental stages of children 9 to 12 years old and what might be some signs of mental health challenges at this age. Join us to watch this video presentation followed by a discussion.

### **Time & Date:**

Tues. June 9th - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

**Online Event Registration:** <https://familysmart.ca/online-events/>

**Watch Now:** [https://youtu.be/paAcC1wWl\\_s?si=9iBAUu8tYkvC2dL8](https://youtu.be/paAcC1wWl_s?si=9iBAUu8tYkvC2dL8)

As always, **FamilySmart** offers peer support calls with parents and caregivers, as many times as you would like, with no wait time.

Here is a link to my calendar to book a time: <https://lisa-tate.youcanbook.me/>, phone #: 250-940-6105