



WEEKLY MEMO

Monday January 20 – Friday, January 24

Mon, Jan 20	Play off have begun! Boys Volleyball Home Game against Pleasant Valley @2:30 Go hornets!
Tues, Jan 21	Boys Volleyball practice at big recess Pokemon Club at big recess in room 1001 Girls Volleyball Home Game against McGirr @2:30 Go Hornets!
Wed, Jan 22	Girls Volleyball practice at 7:45am Boys Volleyball practice at big recess
Thurs, Jan 23	Boys Volleyball practice at big recess Pokemon Club at big recess in room 1001
Fri, Jan 24	Happy Friday!

Important Upcoming Dates – Please mark your calendars

Jan 27	Popcorn Day
Jan 29	PAC meeting
Jan 31	Hot Lunch – Mambo Pizza (order deadline Jan 29 @noon)
Feb 3 & 4	Professional Development Days – No School
Feb 14	Hot Lunch – Edo Japan
Feb 17	Family Day – School Closed
March 17-28	Spring Break

Message from the Office

Welcome back, **Nu wil 'lum**

Last Monday, we gathered all classes for an assembly to reconnect after the winter break. The focus was on safety reminders and how much we can accomplish when we work together as a team.

NOUS SOMMES UNE EQUIPE / WE ARE A TEAM



Mme Apland presented the story book [Up the Creek](#), which illustrates how much we can accomplish if we work together, as a team. We invite you to read/listen to the story at home as well.

Sports & Clubs

Volleyball - The Bantam Volleyball teams wrapped up their regular season this week and will begin playoffs next week:

- Girls – Home game vs. McGirr on Tuesday, Jan. 21st
- Boys – Home game vs. Pleasant Valley on Monday, Jan. 20th

Basketball – Bantam basketball season will be underway soon. **The season runs from February 10 – March 14 this year and there are NO PLAYOFFS!**

- If you are interested in coaching basketball, please email info.hb@sd68.bc.ca

Parent & Community Corner

Rainbows, Guiding Kids Through Life's Storms - www.rainbowsnanaimo.ca (new groups starting January 29th)

- See separate attachment

Parenting Workshop Series - NARSF is excited to offer a parenting workshop series for parents/caregivers of youth 12-18 years. See the attached poster for details. If you have any questions, please reach out Mia Maarika at 250-754-2773 ext. 123 or mmaarika@narsf.org

Parent & Community Corner Navigating ADHD: Parents, caregivers and child and youth-serving professionals are invited to attend a FREE insightful and informative webinar led by Dr. Nicolas F. Narvaez Linares, C. Psych, on ADHD and its relationship to neurodiversity!

- January 22, 2025: 12-1pm (online)
- Webinar Registration - Zoom

Messages from the PAC

Mambos Pizza coupons are now available on MunchaLunch. A \$30 coupon gets you any XL pizza at Mambos (valued \$28-37)

Limit of 200 coupons for our school. Get them before we sell out.

<https://www.munchalunch.com/login>

Incoming Kindergarten Sibling Registration for 2025-2026

Registration for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year is now open. Incoming Kindergarten students who have siblings (and will still be at Ecole Hammond Bay in September) will receive priority placement in the French Immersion program if your online registration is received by end of day, January 31st.

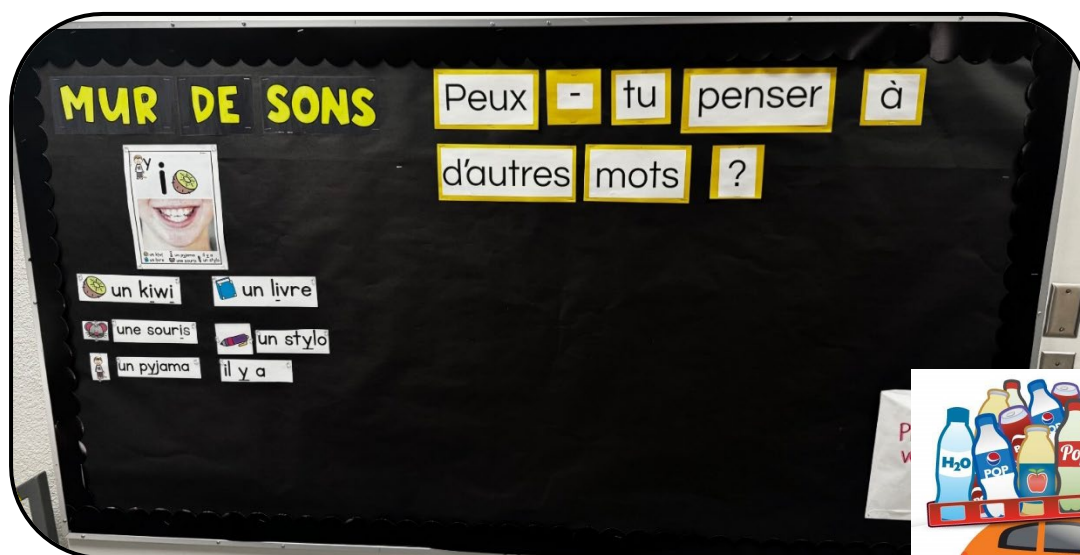
French Immersion timeline:

- Kindergarten and Grade 1 registrations are received from now to Jan 31st.
- Kindergarten siblings are identified and registered at your school.
- Lottery will be held after all siblings are placed (early February) for the remaining spots.
- Emails will be sent out early in February after the lottery advising families if they received a spot or were placed on the waitlist.

MUR de SONS – i

There is a new sound on the “Mur de Sons”! The sound wall is located at the top of the stairs on the way to the library. This month make sure you put your name and division on the back of the words you submit. We will be drawing 2 names to win a prize! **All grades are welcome to participate.**

Grade 7
Bottle
Drive



Fundraiser

The Grade 7 students are kicking off the year with their bottle drive fundraiser and would greatly appreciate your support. If you have any empties at home, please consider stopping by to drop them off!

Details:

- Date: Sunday, January 26th
- Time: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- Location: Old Victoria Bottle Depot

This fundraiser is an important initiative for our Grade 7s, and all contributions will go a long way in supporting their activities and projects. Please feel free to spread the word to others who may want to donate bottles as well!

Thank you so much for your ongoing support. We look forward to seeing you at the bottle depot!

M Kevin and Mme Alyssa

What's Happening at Ecole Hammond Bay:





EXCITING NEWS: The Buddy Bench has arrived!

A big **THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING PAC** that has worked so hard to provide us with this beautiful **BUDDY BENCH!** It was installed this week by our district staff (Thank you district staff) and it was finally ready to enjoy on today at recess!

. We are so grateful for this addition to our play space.
The kids love it and are asking for another one!



This is our buddy bench! Sit here if you can't find a friend and someone may come and join you and ask you to play!

At Ecole Hammond Bay we are kind, respectful, inclusive and curious to meet new friends!

Nous sommes gentils, inclusifs et respectueux à l'école Hammond Bay.