

WEEKLY MEMO

Monday March 10 – Friday, March 14

Mon, Mar 10	Girls Basketball Practice – after school
Tues, Mar 11	Chess Club at big recess in room 1001 Girls Basketball Practice – big recess Boys Basketball Practice – 2:30
Wed, Mar 12	Boys Basketball Practice – big recess Boys Basketball away game vs syuwénct Second Term Reports emailed home PAC Movie Night in the gym - 5:30 – 8:00pm
Thurs, Mar 13	Spirit Wear orders deadline Chess Club at big recess in room 1001 Girls Basketball home game vs NCS
Fri, Mar 14	Hot Lunch - Subway Happy Spring Break!

Important Upcoming Dates – Please mark your calendars

March 17-28	Spring Break
March 31	Back to school & Popcorn Day
April 18	Good Friday – School Closed
April 21	Easter Monday – School Closed

Message from the office:

We are paddling together * Nous Ramons Ensemble * Kwanátul yu'ishul

Kindness and gratitude continues to grow at Ecole Hammond Bay!



We are cultivating kindness, by working together to support each other, and to take care of others and Mother Earth.

Traffic Safety:

Please take care as you drive to and from school, along Hammond Bay Road and Morningside Drive. We have lots of students crossing as they arrive and we ask that you please slow down and use caution.

A few traffic safety reminders:

- Our school parking lot is a 15km/hr zone.
- Please slow down and watch for children crossing.
- Please be patient do not back up in the drop off loop.
- Please be patient. There is no need to tail gate other drivers.

Spirit Wear On Sale

Spirit Wear is for sale again on SchoolCash Online – An email was sent out with options and sizing.

<u>Deadline is March 13th</u> so we can put the order in before Spring Break. Those who ordered it last time are very happy with it.



Weather reminders

<u>Dress for the weather:</u> We continue to have wet west coast weather and we go outside no matter what. Please remember to have your child come to school dressed for the weather. This includes hats, gloves, snowpants/rain pants and boots. If you need support purchasing outdoor clothing items, please let your teacher or the office know. We are here to support you!

*Please also label your child's clothing when possible to ensure that any missing items get returned

Fencing

You will see that new fencing has been installed along the gym and blacktop as well as along the playground – this is to keep kids safe and to protect the hill from continued erosion. Please encourage your kids to use the stairs and avoid playing on the hill when enjoying the field and park before and after school. The last stage of our fencing was installed this week.

Library Learning Commons

At long last, the read-a-thon results are in!

First of all, Mme. Erin would like to send her sincere thanks to everyone who participated. We had an amazing group of readers who truly went above and beyond for our school library!

Our winners:

- **1st place** and a \$50 gift certificate to Indigo Books goes to **Issac S.**, who read for **58h 50m**
- 2nd place, and a \$25 gift certificate to Indigo Books goes to Nathalie
 L., who read for 45 hours
- **3rd Place**, and a \$15 gift certificate to Indigo Books goes to **Max S.**, who read for **44h 22m**



The Ice Cream Party, for the division who read the most as a class, goes to Mme. Alyssa's grade 6/7's for reading a total 212 hours and 35 minutes.

Our winners from our Random Draw were:

Elizabeth R.

Mylie J.

Joan B.

Marek A.

Dorna S.

Nathaniel L.

After all pledges were in and tallied, we felt the need to add two special awards:

One award went to **Dahlia** who raised an eye-popping \$1275.65.

And a second award was given to **Tiberius**, for being our youngest student to participate.

As a school, our students read for **59,513 hours**.

That's **991 hours and 53 minutes,** or **41.3 days**.

We raised **\$5773.75** for new, student chosen, books. Mme. Erin is already busy making sure those books are starting to arrive in our library, and more are on their way!

Parent & Community Corner

Kelty Mental Health Where You Are Podcast

- https://keltymentalhealth.ca/podcast
- https://keltymentalhealth.ca/

The Nanaimo Parks & Rec Spring and Summer *Activity Guide* is now available for viewing!

https://www.nanaimo.ca/parks-recreation-culture

FamilySmart & ICY Events – See attachments

- ▼ FamilySmart & ICY Events at Dufferin Are you a parent or caregiver interested in connecting with other parents about child/youth mental health topics?
 - March 11 at 4:30-6:00
 - March 13 at 9:30-10:30
 - March 27 at 9:30-10:30
 - April 9 at 4:30-6:00

Message from PAC

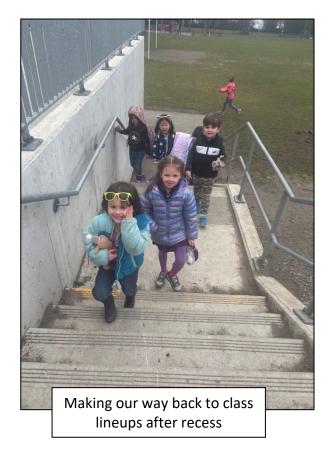
Thank you to all of you who have already bought tickets through <u>MunchaLunch</u> for our very first **Movie Night** on **March 12**. There are still spaces available, and we have extended the deadline for ordering until Monday, March 10 at noon. You can buy a ticket to see the movie and you can choose to buy a pizza slice, drink, chips and carrot sticks as well. Kids also get to vote on the movie through <u>MunchaLunch</u> as well. This is a drop off event unless you contact the PAC to volunteer (which would be great!).

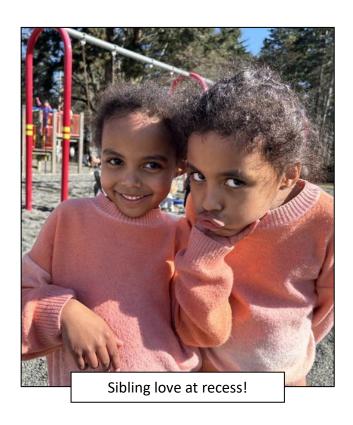
The purpose of the PAC is to help fundraise to provide the kids with all the great extras that make their education so much more special, but it is ALSO about community and connection. This is a great opportunity for your kids to just connect and hang out, and we hope this will be the first of many. We know that life is busy and expensive, and we hope that we can create opportunities throughout the year for everyone to be able to participate in whichever ways they can.

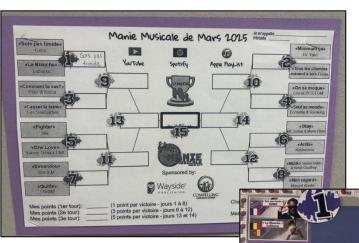


Our Mini-PAC was hard at work with movie night promotions during recess this week!

What's Happening at Ecole Hammond Bay:







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