



ECOLE GOLDEN EARS ELEMENTARY

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<http://goldeneears.sd42.ca/>

Number 6

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues., Feb 5 **Grade 7 Students to Register for Grade 8**
Open Classroom Visit for LFI (9:00 – 10:00)
Wed., Feb 6 **Hot Lunch – Subway**
Thurs., Feb 7 **Late French Immersion Registration**
Online only opens at 12:00 (noon)
Mon., Feb 11 Parent Meeting for Grade 7 Leaving @7:00 pm
Tues., Feb 12 **Kindergarten Registration – General**
Online only – opens at 12:00 noon
PAC Meeting @8:40 am
Wed., Feb 13 Assembly @8:40 am
International Book Giving Day
Thurs., Feb 14 **Non-Instructional Day – No School**
Fri., Feb 15 **School not in Session**
Mon., Feb 18 **Family Day – No School**
Thurs., Feb 21 Theme Day – “Disney”
Wed., Feb 27 Anti-Bullying Day / Kindness Counts
Hot Lunch Day (Pizza)
Fri., Mar 1 Reading Link School Challenge @8:30 am
Thurs., Mar 7 Student Inclusive Conference
Dismissal at 11:30 am
Book Fair – 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm
Fri., Mar 8 Student Inclusive Conferences
Classes not in session
Book Fair – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Thurs., Mar 14 Whistler Ski Trip – Intermediate Students
Mar 18 – 29 Spring Break – School Not in Session
Mon., Apr 1 Re-opens after Spring Break

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

For the month of February we have a number of activities and special events occurring, including Family Day, School-based Non-instructional Day, Grade 8 Registration, Disney Day, and Pink Shirt day.

On the Portal, by February 11th, you can sign up for your child's second Reporting Conference – March 7th or 8th. You will need to pick one date. I will send out a reminder after the long weekend/Family Day.

We are already looking ahead to 2019/20. Registration has begun for Kindergarten. Gr 8 registration begins at noon on February 5th. If you are looking to transfer to another school, the first transfer phase is between Feb 12 to April 4th. You may also want to check the district's website for additional information regarding acceptance criteria and notification decisions.

Secondly, our **Student Inclusive Conferences** for second term reporting on **March 7th and 8th** are fast approaching. Please look for conference schedule information that will be sent home by Feb 11th by your child(ren)'s teacher. Most of the teachers will use the Conference Scheduler on the Portal.

Thank-you for helping to make Golden Ears the best school around!

Mrs. Scoular



Late French Immersion

***For Students Entering
Grade 6 in Sept 2019**

Registration Information

Are you in grade 5 and looking to learn another language? Are you looking for another challenge? French Immersion might be for you.

**Registration opens online at 12:00 noon on
Thursday, February 7, 2019.**

Link: <https://bit.ly/2UNY67r>

GRADE 8 REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Registration for grade 8 for the 2019/2020 school year opens at 12 pm (noon) on **Tuesday, February 5, 2019**. All Grade 8 registrations are done through the Parent Portal at <https://parents.sd42.ca>. Each registration is time-stamped at the moment the registration form is opened to begin the online registration process. For more information please visit the School District website at <https://www.sd42.ca>

STUDENT CONFERENCES

Thursday, March 7th - Dismissal at 11:30 am
Friday, March 8th - Conferences all day
(Students only attend for their conference)

On **Thursday, March 7th** students will be **dismissed at 11:30 a.m.** so that we may conduct Student Inclusive Conferences. These conferences are for parents, teacher and students to review student growth and to set learning goals



The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school again!

Ecole Golden Ears Book Fair will be held on **Thursday, March 7th from 12:30 - 3 pm & Friday, March 8th from 9 am - 3 pm** while the **Student Conferences** are being held. Once again a wide range of books will be available at reasonable prices. We hope you are able to find some perfect books for summer reading while helping earn materials for the school.

LOVE YOUR LIBRARY DAY

INTERNATIONAL BOOK GIVING DAY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019



Students may start bringing in gently used books to donate or exchange for different books on International Book Giving Day. Students that would like to participate, are encouraged to ask their parents and bring in any books they would like to donate/exchange to Ms. Chudy in the library. On **Wednesday, February 13th**, Golden Ears Elementary Library will be open after the lunch bell, from 12:10-12:30, for the book exchange!

Celebrate your love of books and reading by entering Ms. Chudy's poster contest. Draw, colour, or paint. Let your creativity go wild. Make a poster about your favourite book, series or why you love reading. Ms. Chudy will display all the posters in the library as she receives them. Three winners will be chosen from primary and three winners from intermediate grades for a special library prize. Posters must be handed in to Ms. Chudy in the library. Deadline is **Monday, February 11, 2019**. Winners will be announced on Wednesday, February 13, 2019. **One lucky Intermediate winner will receive an autographed copy of Laser Moose and Rabbit Boy Graphic Novel** by Doug Savage. **Remember to put your first and last name, as well as division on your poster.**

THEME DAY!

Celebrate **Disney Day, Thursday, February 21, 2019.**



Encourage your child to dress up as their favorite Disney character, which includes Marvel Super Heroes, Star Wars, Pixar, Indiana Jones and any Disney character from the movies or from the Disneyland Park!



Anti-Bullying Day, Wednesday,
February 27, 2019

Check out the Ministry of Education website:
<http://www.erasebullying.ca/>

KINDNESS COUNTS

A few resources:

<https://www.preynet.ca/bullying/parents/how-to-encourage-empathy>

<https://heartmindonline.org/resources/parent-led-kindness-fortune-event>

Reading Link Challenge

Reading Link Challenge is an extracurricular program that promotes the "sport of reading" for students in grades 4 and 5. The program is run as a series of quiz/trivia challenges with questions based on six books. All teams participate in one or more levels of challenge, with the winning teams advancing to higher levels of competition within the community



Reading Link Challenge Dates:

- In School Challenge in GEE Library -
Friday, March 1, 2019 @8:30 am
- Library Challenge at the Maple Ridge
FVRL -Wednesday, April 3rd @10:00 am



**REQUESTS FOR STUDENT
TRANSFERS FOR GRADES 1 - 7**

School District No. 42 allows parents and students to attend a school other than their "catchment" or "neighbourhood" school, provided there is space available at the school of choice. Parents who wish to have their children in grades 1 to 7 transfer to another school for **September** must do the following:

Obtain a **STUDENT TRANSFER REQUEST FORM** from their current school, complete the transfer form including signature and have the current principal sign and date it. Current school retains the Student Transfer Request Form. The principal takes the transfer forms to the elementary principals' meeting to see if there is room for your child's transfer. Info is on the school district website under the Parent Tab.

Phase One: February 12th to April 4th

Phase Two: April 5th to June 12th

Phase Three: June 13th to August 22nd



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Ridge Meadows College & First Aid Hero: Riverside Centre

RED CROSS BABYSITTING – WINTER 2019 FOR 11 YEARS OLD PLUS

So you want to be a babysitter? Or, your parents want you to take this course so they feel confident leaving you at home alone?

Different from all other Babysitting courses!

Babysitting with First Aid Hero emphasizes first aid and learning through real life scenarios. Active role-play! Interactive and fun! Covered in this course:

- Exploring the Business of Babysitting
- Creating Safe Environments
- Safely caring for ages 0-12
- First Aid Skills

Please bring a yoga mat, pen/pencil, medium sized stuffed animal or doll, lunch, snacks and water, *NO NUTS*.

2 COURSE DATES AND TIMES AVAILABLE:

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

8:30 am – 3:30 pm

\$63/1 session

Wednesday, July 3, 2019

8:30 am – 3:30 pm

\$63/1 Session

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#### **LOCATION:**

Riverside Centre, 20575 Thorne Avenue, Maple Ridge

Monday – Thursday 8:00 am – 7:45 pm

Friday 8:00 am – 3:15 pm

Phone: 604-466-6555 (Ext 203)

Email: [rmc@sd42.ca](mailto:rmc@sd42.ca)

*To register, please contact Ridge Meadows College  
604-466-6555 (Extension 203) or email [RMC@sd42.ca](mailto:RMC@sd42.ca)*



# Winter Family Fun Day 2019

The Maple Ridge Lions Club  
invites all Families to join them  
for a **FREE** fun filled day

**Family Treasure Scavenger Hunt**



**Sensory Deprivation Obstacle Course for Everyone**

**Cooking with Kids**

**Games**

**Prizes**

*Special Guests*



St. John Ambulance  
Therapy Dog



**Raptors Ridge  
Birds Of Prey**

Maple Ridge, B.C.  
[www.raptorsridge.com](http://www.raptorsridge.com)

Family Day - Monday, February 18

11:00am - 4:00pm

Albion Fair Grounds - Commercial Building

23448 105 Ave, Maple Ridge



Our Lions Concession will be open...

As a community we will be donating  
all of today's donation & concession proceeds  
to a Special Family in Need of our help.

This Family has been struggling with overwhelming circumstances  
with their child & numerous weekly trips to hospitals doctors & specialists.



# The Redesigned Curriculum at *Golden Ears Elementary*

## COLLABORATIVE LEARNING

**C**ollaborative learning is an educational approach to teaching and learning that involves groups of students working together to solve a problem, complete a task, or create a product. This approach requires students to be highly engaged in their learning, with a focus on process rather than on the right answer.

Students are expected to come prepared to discuss and collaborate. Teachers build in accountability with group marks and individual student assessments. Students teach each other through working on challenging class problems with the teacher as facilitator or coach. The goal is to shift learning from teacher-centered to a student-centered model.

For more information about BC's new curriculum, visit <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/>

**Coming in March – *Aboriginal Worldviews & Perspectives in the Classroom.***



### **Redesigned Curriculum: Know-Do-Understand**

All areas of learning are based on a “**Know-Do-Understand**” model to support a concept-based, competency-driven approach to learning. In this model, three elements work together to support deeper learning: **Content (Know)**, **Curricular Competencies (Do)**, and **Big Ideas (Understand)**. BC’s new curriculum design enables a personalized, flexible and innovative approach at all levels of the education system. All areas of learning have been redesigned using this model.