



ECOLE GOLDEN EARS ELEMENTARY

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

Number 9

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon., May 6 School Public Speaking
Grade 4/5 @8:45 Grade 6/7 @10:30
Tues., May 14 Dist. Public Speaking – Grade 4/5 Riverside
Wed., May 15 Dist. Public Speaking – Grade 6/7 Riverside
Hot Lunch – Sushi
Thurs., May 16 **Class Photos/Panorama**
Fri., May 17 Grade 6 Immunization
Mon., May 20 **Victoria Day – School Closed**
Tues., May 21 **Non-Instructional day – No School**
Wed., May 22 Spirit Week (May 22 – May 24)
Fri., May 24 Assembly @1:30 pm
Wed., May 29 High School Visit –Grade 7
Fri., May 31 **Dismissal at 11:15 am for Div. 22, 23, 24**
Welcome to Kindergarten for 2019-2020
@12:30 – 2:10 pm
Wed., June 5 **Hot Lunch (Pizza)**
Thurs., June 6 District Track and Field for Grade 4/5
Fri., June 7 Primary Poetry Recital @8:40 am



Class Photos, and Panorama

(weather permitting) is on Thursday, May 16, 2019. The Panorama photo (whole school) will only be done if it's not raining, otherwise it will be rescheduled. Class photos will go ahead rain or shine.

SPIRIT WEEK is just around the corner!!!! May 22- 24

School Spirit Week at Golden Ears will be on the following days:

- **Wednesday, May 22nd – Jersey Day** (wear fun colorful summer clothing) Please bring donation for KIDSPORT.
- **Thursday, May 23rd – Crazy Hair or Tropical Day** (wear colorful summer clothing)
- **Friday, May 24th – School Colors** (Blue & Yellow)

We will wrap up Spirit Week with a fun school assembly on Friday afternoon to celebrate why Golden Ears is the best school around!!

Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

This school has a truly amazing school culture with great staff and students. Each day there are numerous acts of kindness and extra efforts made to make a difference in the lives of others. We talk a lot with students about how they can take care of themselves and take care of others.

This kindness and team work was on display again this month with everyone pulling together to create another amazing musical. Congratulations to all our intermediate performers for their outstanding musical this week. Our school is very fortunate to have a thriving Fine Arts Program that allows ALL our students in kindergarten through grade seven to experience an authentic theatre experience!

It is amazing that we have 7 more weeks of school. Many upcoming events occurring. Please check out the Dates To Remember.

This is time of year we enjoy as students should demonstrating independent skills with their learning. Students will be reviewing their learning goal(s) this month with their teacher.

Thank you for continuing to help us make this a great place for kids!

Regards,

Mrs. Scoular
Principal



2019 - 2020
Kindergarten
Orientation Meeting
Friday, May 31, 2019

The Kindergarten Orientation meeting for September 2019 kindergartens will be held **12:30 pm - 2:10 p.m. on Friday, May 31, 2019**. We look forward to meeting you and your children.

Please note, the KINDERGARTEN students of Division 22, 23, and 24 will be dismissed at 11:15 a.m. on May 31, 2019. If you have a student in one of these classes, please remember to note this on your calendar!



STUDENT PLACEMENT
2019/2020

We are beginning to create our classes for next year. Please be assured that staff devote considerable time, care and attention to this process. This very complex and lengthy responsibility occurs over several weeks and continues into September when class placements are finalized.

Throughout the year, there have been many opportunities for parents and teachers to discuss each child. Staff work together to consider the following criteria very carefully: social emotional skills and relationships, as well as learning styles, strengths and needs. Our goal is to create safe and engaging inclusive classrooms that balance these factors, as equitably as possible.

If you feel there is further information to consider about your child, you may submit input to the principal in writing by **May 10, 2019**. Please refrain from requesting specific teachers or peers by name.

Creative Children School Supplies

Order forms have now been sent home, and are due back no later than **Friday, May 24, 2019** to allow for processing of all orders. The school supply kits will be delivered to the school and given to your child at the start of school in September. **If you choose to purchase your own school supplies, the Golden Ears' supply lists will be sent home with report cards in June and posted to the school website.**



Planning for September 2019

We would greatly appreciate your assistance in making an accurate calculation of student enrolment for September. To help achieve this goal, we are asking all parents whose children will definitely **NOT** be attending Golden Ears Elementary in September to contact the school office. A student transfer form will be required.

This request does not apply to Grade 7 students moving on to their selected high school. If you are aware of any families who have moved (or will be moving) into the area, please encourage them to contact the school to register their child(ren) prior to the end of June.

Phase Two - Requests for Student Transfers for Gr. 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 STUDENT TRANSFER REQUEST FORM FROM THE OFFICE.**

Parents will be notified prior to any transfer being completed.

This request does not apply to Grade 7 students moving on to their selected high school.

Attendance

Regular attendance at school and work are among the most important lessons we teach students. During their school years, students learn to take personal responsibility for their education. Please help us to teach your child healthy attitudes towards school and the work place by:

1. Emailing ge_reception@sd42.ca or calling (604) 463-9513 each day your child is going to be absent or late;
2. Minimizing the number of reasons for absence;
3. Contacting the teacher if you are concerned about attendance;
4. Stressing promptness. Being on time shows respect for the activity and consideration for others.



Reading Corner - Things to Help Encourage Reading

For young children the famous author Mem Fox gives the following five suggestions:

1. Spend at least ten wildly happy minutes every single day reading aloud.
2. Read at least three stories a day: it may be the same story three times. Children need to hear a thousand stories before they learn to read!
3. Read aloud with animation. Listen to your own voice and don't be dull, or flat, or boring. Hang loose and be loud, have fun and laugh a lot.
4. Read with joy and enjoyment: real enjoyment for yourself and great joy for the listeners.
5. Read the stories that the kids love over and over again, and always read in the same 'tune' for each book: i.e. with the same intonations on each page, each time.



Vehicle and Student Safety Reminder!

Please remember to drive slowly and exercise extreme caution when

driving near the school. The streets and our parking lot become very congested during drop off and pick up times. We want to keep all of our students as safe as possible. **Also, please do not park across our neighbours' driveways.** Thank you.

Dogs on School Grounds

This is a continuing dilemma. There are signs No Dogs Allowed on the school grounds or the new Sports Field.



Please always remember to keep your dogs at the edge of the school grounds and on a leash. Many adults and children are either allergic to dogs or uncomfortable when dogs are present.

Let's work together to ensure the safety and comfort of all the adults and children on our school grounds throughout the day, especially before and after school. Your cooperation is very much appreciated.



Dress Code

With the good weather approaching we would like to remind students and parents of our school's dress code. Clothing worn at Golden Ears must, at all times, be in good taste for an elementary school. There should **not** be any mini tops, spaghetti straps, extremely short shorts, or inappropriate T-shirts.

The Redesigned Curriculum at Golden Ears Elementary

INQUIRY LEARNING

Inquiry Learning is a process where students investigate and explore answers to questions. Inquiry questions provide a focus for learning the curricular content, encourage students to develop important skills when answering questions, and make learning more meaningful and relevant.

Inquiry questions provide a framework for teachers to more easily meet the needs of each student while allowing students to be more engaged in the content they are learning.

For more information about the new curriculum, visit <http://www.sd42.ca/new-curriculum>.

Coming in June – How do we assess and celebrate learning?



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.



"Our vision is for every individual to feel valued and for all learners to reach their potential."

Family Self-Defense Night

All ages are welcome for this Family Self-Defense Night! Learn to defend yourself through this Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu-based self-defense class led by Jonathan Miller, a Renzo Gracie Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu instructor who teaches After-School Programs at the school district. This is the perfect opportunity to get active with your family and learn empowering self-defense skills. Please wear comfortable clothes and bring a water bottle. Everyone welcome!

Eric Langton Elementary

Tuesday, May 28

6:00 to 7:30 pm

Blue Mountain Elementary

Wednesday, May 29

6:00 to 7:30 pm

Cost: \$5 per person

To register: go to <http://schooldistrict42.perfectmind.com>

Contact: Drea Owen, Program Manager, Community Connections and Healthy Living

T. 604-346-9815 E. drea_owen@sd42.ca



Waiver

In consideration of the Vistas Run and its sponsors accepting this entry, I hereby waive for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claim for damages sustained by me as a result of this run, for any cause whatsoever, including negligence. It is expressly understood by the undersigned that this run is entered into at the sole risk of the undersigned and that the organizers and sponsors of the run are exempt from liability for any and all damages sustained and any and all injury and loss, including personal and property loss arising from any cause whatsoever, including negligence. I agree to allow my participation or photo to be used in future marketing materials associated with future Vistas Runs.

SIGNATURE _____

MUST BE SIGNED

(if under 19, parent/guardian must sign)

DATE _____

Submit this form with payment

Cheque, visa or debit payments accepted

Cheques (to Ridge Meadows Hospice Society) can be dropped off or mailed to our office, 22320 119 Ave, Maple Ridge, BC V2X 2Z3 or dropped off at our Thrift store #3 – 12011 224th Street, Maple Ridge. Visa and debit payments can also be made at our office or by phone at 604-463-7722.

Thank you for your support!



Grief has no timeline

**Ridge Meadows
Hospice Society**

Event Details

Date: Sunday, May 26, 2019
Registration: 8:00am
Race start time: 9:00am
Location: Webster's Corners Elementary
25554 Dewdney Trunk Rd
Maple Ridge

Refreshments & Entertainment

Music fills the air pre and post-race, morning refreshments, pizza and snacks are available.

Parking

Parking in the area is limited, carpooling is encouraged when possible.

Water and dress

Bring water and dress weather-appropriate (rain, shine, heat or cold) as this race has seen all types of weather conditions in 22 years. There are also water stations along the 5km and 10km route and at the finish line.

Race T-shirts

Race t-shirts available by pre-order until May 12, 2019. The t-shirts will be a part of the race packet pick-up.

Race Packet Pick-up

(For timed 5KM and 10km events)

At the Ridge Meadows Hospice Society
102-22320 119th Avenue, Maple Ridge | 604-463-7722

Wednesday May 22, 2019 from 3-6pm

Thursday May 23, 2019 from 3-6pm

Friday May 24, 2019 from 2-4pm

At the Ridge Meadows Hospice Thrift Store
#3 - 12011 224th Street, Maple Ridge | 604-463-7711

Saturday, May 25, 2019 from 11am to 2pm

Online Entries

Or, enter online at www.vistasrun.com



**22nd ANNUAL
VISTASRUN
MAY 26, 2019**



**10K RUN • 5K RUN/WALK • FAMILYWALK
KANAKA CREEK REGIONAL PARK**

About the Vistas Run

Celebrating 22 years of bringing community together in the spirit of fundraising and fun! The Vistas Run is the single largest fundraiser for the Ridge Meadows Hospice Society. Proceeds provide emotional, compassionate and companion support for individuals with a life-limiting illness or those who are coping with the death of a loved one.

Media sponsor



Event sponsors

Sponsorship opportunities
available
call Susan 604-463-7722

www.vistasrun.com

Collect pledges for a chance to win prizes!

Collect your pledges and submit by 8:45am at the registration desk on race day (Sunday May 26, 2019) to be eligible for your name to be entered into our Vistas Run pledge prize draw, entries are submitted for every \$50 collected in pledges. All pledges support the Ridge Meadows Hospice Society in providing emotional, compassionate and companion support for individuals living with a life-limit illness or grief support for community members in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows who are coping with the death of a loved one. Programs are provided to the community free of charge.

Pledges collected by: _____

Pledge from (first name, last name)	Address	City	Postal Code	Phone #	Pledge Amount

What You Need to Know!

Please ensure that all pledges are collected in full and turned in with the pledge sheet. Tax receipts will be issued for pledges of \$20 or more. The Ridge Meadows Hospice Society and its sponsors take no responsibility for pledges and pledge sheets not turned in. Pledges can be made in cash or by cheque and made payable to the Ridge Meadows Hospice Society. Pledges can also be made online at vistasrun.com by clicking "Donate Now". Additional pledge forms can be downloaded at www.vistasrun.com.

Registered Charity #119032019RR0001

Entry Form

Gender: _____ Age on Race Day _____

Registering for: 5K ☐ 10K ☐ Family Walk ☐

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

City: _____

Province: _____

Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Registration Fees

Family Walk \$35 \$ _____

**Family walk registration fee valid up to 2 adults and 4 minors from the same household.*

5K / 10K

Student \$20 \$ _____

Early bird To (May13th) \$35 \$ _____

Pre-Race Day \$40 \$ _____

On Race Day \$45 \$ _____

Race T-Shirt \$20 \$ _____

Size: XS S M L XL

Teams – Red

Ladies – Orange

Mens - Lime

BC Athletics Member No. _____ \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

To complete your entry form, please sign the back of the form and return with payment to the Ridge Meadows Hospice Society