



## ECOLE GOLDEN EARS SCHOOL

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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42 (MAPLE RIDGE - PITT MEADOWS)

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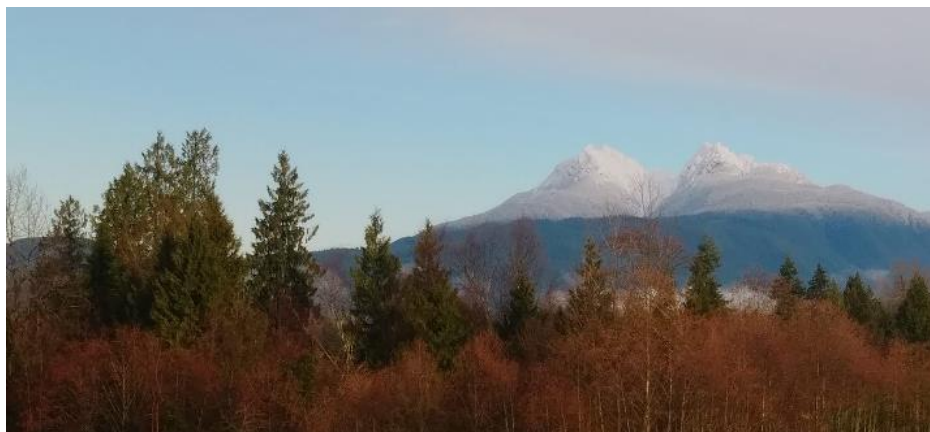


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March 1, 2022

Dear Families:

The month of March is rather short given that Spring Break is just around the corner. This month includes our Term 2 report cards and conferences with teachers. This is an important process to celebrate your child/ren's progress and to set goals for the third and final term of the school year. We value working alongside parents in the education of all our students. Please have a read of all the information in our newsletter as there are opportunities coming up for our community.

Take care,  
Laura Brandon  
Principal/Directrice

### **Mark your Calendars**

February 28-Mar 3 All library books returned  
March 3 11:30 Dismissal for Student Led Conferences  
March 4 Student Led Conferences  
March 7-11 Scholastic Book Fair  
March 11 Schools close for Spring Break  
March 28 Schools reopen after Spring Break

### **Term 2 Reporting/Conferences:**

March 3rd is an early dismissal at 11:30 for conferences and on March 4 conferences are scheduled all day so there is no school for students unless they are participating in their conference. Teachers released their conference schedules on Monday, February 14th for parents to sign up through the Parent Portal. If you haven't already scheduled a conference time, I encourage you to do this as soon as possible.

Our Term 2 reporting process will look the same as Term 1. Conferences will still occur with the collaboration of the teacher, parent(s)/guardian(s), and the student over Zoom. Please ensure you have a device at home with the Zoom app installed for the conference.

## **PAC News**

During our February PAC meeting the following positions were voted on and filled. Congratulations to:

- Natasha Bettsworth as our PAC Chair
- Nicole Nagel as our PAC Secretary

Our next PAC meeting is March 7 at 7:00 via Zoom. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend:

<https://sd42.zoom.us/j/65791988021?pwd=TnFUTERDS1JKMXFOQmJtQ3lxVDcxUT09>

If you haven't had a chance to read the announcement regarding our Purdy's Fundraiser, please have a look at <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1151741-94497>. Order deadline is March 28<sup>th</sup> and Pick up is April 13, 2022.

## **COVID: What do to when sick and guidelines on international travel**

The BC Centre for Disease Control continues to provide guidance on when to get a COVID-19 test and when to self-isolate. See the [What to do when sick](#) flowchart for a summary of this guidance.

Families must also continue to follow federal requirements when returning from international travel:

<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/covid-vaccinated-travellers-entering-canada#children>

## **Transfer requests for 2022-2023 School Year:**

If you are seeking to transfer to another school for the 2022-2023 school year, please review the "Student Transfer Guidelines: Elementary 2022/23" document by following the link provided. Please take note of the deadlines for each phase. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the school office.

<https://www.sd42.ca/assets/media/Elementary-Transfer-Guidelines-2022-23.pdf>

## **Library**

It's time for our school's Book Fair! This year, we're doing both an in-person fair in the library AND a virtual fair. Please check your child's planner for a Scholastic Book Fair flyer with some of the options available on March 7. Their teachers will use this flyer to help them write a wish list on that Monday as they preview the fair with their class. Use the virtual fair website link to see even more options to add to the list. *\*Please be aware that the prices listed on the website are not always the same at the in-person fair.*

Ms. Chudy has change for students that need it or a cheque can be made out to Golden Ears Elementary. Students may also use debit cards if they have them.

**In-Person Book Fair:** Students will be invited to come to the library with their teacher and class during school time to look at and purchase books. Teachers have signed up for a 20-minute window running sometime during **Tuesday, March 8-Friday, March 11**. Unfortunately, we are not currently able to have parents come to the book fair due to Covid restrictions.

*If a child forgets their money or misses their day, Ms. Chudy will be available Friday, March 11 from 10:35-11:20 for any last-minute purchases.*

**Virtual Book Fair:** We are also doing the virtual book fair, where you can shop online from over 450 items! Best of all, purchases still support our school for more learning resources. Join us from **Monday, March 7-Friday, March 11**.

<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5157170>

This unique shopping link will NOT BE LIVE until **Monday, March 7**, the date our Book Fair begins for preview. We can share it now, however, so you can enjoy the book trailer videos and students can start making their wish lists!

Please also check out this video link to see some of the fun book choices available at the virtual Scholastic Book Fair.  
<http://scholastic.ca/bookfairs/resources/videos>

Books ordered from the virtual fair or on reorder will be delivered to the school AFTER Spring Break.

## After School Program



AFTER-SCHOOL  
PROGRAMS

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

### Spring 2022: Schools Out Program



### RESILIENCY THROUGH RECREATION

This United Way funded program put on by The Family Education and Support Centre will focus on fun activities around the different elements of resiliency such as optimism, competency, emotional development and relationships. Students Kindergarten to Gr 7 are welcome and we have mentors on site to help with any additional needs.

*Pitt Meadows Elementary*  
**Tuesdays, 2:30 – 4 p.m.**  
**April 12 – May 31, 2022**  
**Room: Library**

*Eric Langton Elementary*  
**Thursdays, 2:30 – 4 p.m.**  
**April 14 – June 2**  
**Room: Gym**

*Golden Ears Elementary*  
**Wednesdays, 2:30 – 4 p.m.**  
**April 13 – June 1**  
**Room: Gym**

*Registration Cost: FREE*  
**To register: Call Grace at The Family Education & Support Centre, 604.467.6055 (ext. 1010), or visit [www.familyed.bc.ca](http://www.familyed.bc.ca).**

**Please note: After School Programs will operate under the Provincial COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings. Due to COVID-19, course formats may change. There will be no sessions on Pro-D days or on days when school is not in session.**

