



## YENNADON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter #6

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### Principal's Message

*We are coming to the end of our second term and time is going too quickly, it seems. Our staff and students have been working hard since their return after the Christmas break, and have accomplished a lot of learning! Along the way, we have also managed to have a lot of fun! Who would have guessed that it would snow in February? On behalf of everyone at Yennadon, I want to say "thanks!" for all of your support. We rely on help from our many parents, and appreciate everything you do to help make this a great school.*

*We are in the final chapter of Term 2, with teachers and students wrapping up projects and completing various assessment tasks. Even though there are still two weeks left until Spring Break, the time will fly past. We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable Spring Break, and we will be ready to start the excitement of the final term as soon as we return!*

*Mrs. L. Lawrance, Principal*



### Upcoming Events

Wed., Feb. 27	<b>Pink Shirt Day!</b> Kindergarten Late Registration Opens
<b>Fri., Mar. 1</b>	<b>5:00 – 9:00 pm Yennadon Winter CARNIVAL!</b>
Tues., Mar. 5	8:45 am Skating at Planet Ice (Divisions 2, 10, 16, 20) 10:30 am Grade 4 & 5 Reading Link Challenge (Gym)
Wed., Mar. 6	<b>9:00 am Monthly Assembly</b> Division 7 Field Trip to The ACT – morning Divisions 3 & 5 Field Trip to Simon Fraser University – all day
<b>Thurs., Mar. 7</b>	<b>11:30 am EARLY DISMISSAL for Conferences</b>
<b>Fri., Mar. 8</b>	<b>THREE WAY CONFERENCES</b>
Sat., Mar. 10	<i>Daylight Savings Time (clocks spring ahead one hour)</i>
<b>Mar. 11 – 15</b>	<b>Spirit Week!</b>
Mon., Mar. 11	<i>Hat Day</i>
Tues., Mar. 12	<i>Look-A-Like/Twin/Triplet Day</i> Division 21 to Field Trip to Minnekhada Park – morning 6:30 pm Yennadon Cyberschool Parent Information Meeting (B Pod)
Wed., Mar. 13	<i>Colour Day</i> (A Pod – black, B Pod – blue, C Pod – red, D Pod – grey, E Pod – green, F Pod – white, Annex – multicolour) 7:00 pm Yennadon Cyberschool Online Registration OPENS
Thurs., Mar. 14	<i>Crazy/Funky Socks Day</i> 7:30 pm PAC Meeting (Library)



Fri., Mar. 15	<i>Pyjama/Spirit Wear Day</i> <b>12:20 pm Pizza Hot Lunch Day</b> (\$5 day of, no pre-orders) Last day of school before Spring Break
<b>March 18 – 29</b>	<b>SPRING BREAK</b>
Mon., Apr. 1	School reopens after Spring Break
Tues., Apr. 2	Fruit & Vegetable Delivery – tomatoes
Wed., Apr. 10	<b>9:00 am Monthly Assembly</b>
Thurs., Apr. 11	7:30 pm PAC Meeting (Library)
Fri., Apr. 12	<b>12:20 pm Pizza Hot Lunch Day</b> (\$5 day of, no pre-orders)
<b>Fri., Apr. 19</b>	<b>Good Friday – No School</b>
<b>Sun., Apr. 21</b>	<b>Happy Easter!</b>
<b>Mon., Apr. 22</b>	<b>Easter Monday – No School</b>



### **Jump Rope for Heart**

On Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, all Yennadon staff and students participated in our school wide jump event. Yennadon proved once again that we are all “Heart Heroes”! So far, we have raised approximately \$3000 for BC Heart & Stroke Foundation. A special thank you to Ms. Francis and Mrs. Ludeman for organizing the event. Great job everyone!

### **Report Cards and Three Way Conferences**

Our next **Early Dismissal for conferences is Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am** and our **Three Way Conferences are on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**. Please contact your child’s teacher if you have not scheduled a conference date and time.



### **School Assemblies**

Each month our school has an assembly usually on the first Wednesday at 9:00 am. The purpose of these assemblies is to build school pride, celebrate student successes, and ensure we maintain clear communication and expectations with the students. Parents are always welcome to join us for assemblies in the gym. **Our next school assembly is on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the gym.**



### **Yennadon Running Club**

We plan to start up our running club in April, when we return from Spring Break. Please watch for a notice announcing the schedule, which is still to be determined. Mrs. Sinow will accompany student runners each day, and will slowly increase the distance as we get closer to the district Track and Field event in June.

## **Yennadon Cyberschool**

There will be an information meeting on **Tuesday, March 12, at 6:30 p.m.** for parents/guardians of current Grade 5 and 6 students interested in placing their child in the (2019-2020) **Yennadon Cyberschool program**. The meeting will be in B Pod, Room 1059. This meeting is for parents who are unfamiliar with the Cyberschool model. **Online registration begins on Wednesday, March 13, at 7:00 pm.** The registration link will be sent out through the Parent Portal. A link to the registration site will also be available on the school website shortly after 7pm, if you have an issue with the portal. There will be a limited number of spots available for new Cyberstudents. **All registrations are date and time stamped and are looked at in the order they are received.** Within a week you will receive notification on the portal that your registration has been received. Further information about acceptance to the program will come out in June 2019.

We look forward to meeting with you on Tues., March 12<sup>th</sup>!

## **Outdoor Days**

We are trying to get our students outside on a greater number of days throughout the year. Staff and parents feel this is a healthy choice for students, and the simple fact is that many students prefer to be outside during recess and lunch. For this reason, please help your children learn to dress appropriately to be outside during our Lower Mainland Winter/Spring weather. Please send extra socks and pants; this has proven to be a helpful thing for your children. As well, please remind your child(ren) that our fields can get quite slippery and muddy during rainy times. We are reminding students that, if they get too dirty outside, they can be quite uncomfortable in class for the rest of the day. Also as their clothes dry, the dirt drops to the floor which can erode the surface and can create a higher risk of slipping or losing control while running in the gym.



## **School Closures**



On rare occasions schools may be cancelled due to extreme weather conditions. Public announcements affecting closure of schools will be made by the Superintendent of Schools. For the purpose of announcing emergency closures prior to the opening of schools, the radio stations listed below will be contacted by the district office. The announcements will be made between 6:00 and 7:00 a.m.

**News 1130 AM      CKNW - 980 AM      CBC - 690 AM      Global TV news**

As well, you can check the school district website and district social media feeds for updates:  
[www.sd42.ca](http://www.sd42.ca)      **SD42 Twitter feed** ([@sd42news](https://twitter.com/sd42news))      **SD42 Facebook feed**

When schools are closed, we cannot make calls home to let you know; nor, can we answer all the phone calls to ask if school is open.



### Moving?

If you know you will not be attending Yennadon Elementary next year, we would appreciate it if you let us know. During the next couple of months, we will be working very hard to accommodate all of the requests to transfer to Yennadon, and it is very helpful to our planning if we know who will or will not be attending next year. Thanks for your help with this request.

### Guidelines for Transferring Schools

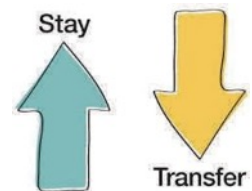
These guidelines apply to students who want to:

- Transfer to Yennadon from another school in Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows
- Transfer out of Yennadon to another school in Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows

Parents need to go to their current school to request a **student transfer form**. The current school will keep this form. There will be a series of three meetings to decide on transfer requests in the months of April, June, and August. Once decisions have been made at these meetings, parents will be phoned to let them know. Families who move into a school catchment need to go to that school to register. If they are hoping to attend a different school, they can indicate this on their registration form.

In general, acceptance criteria for prioritizing new registrations are:

- Students who live in catchment
- Students who live out of catchment with siblings already in the school
- Out of catchment without siblings
- Out of District with siblings
- Out of District without siblings



At **Yennadon**, we generally can **only take students who live in our catchment**. Sometimes, we can take students who live out of catchment, but who already have siblings in our school. Given how full we are, we are not accepting students from out of catchment if they do not have siblings in our school. As always, if you have questions, please give us a call!

Please refer to the Student Transfer Guidelines for more detailed information:

[http://www.sd42.ca/assets/media/Elementary-Transfer-Guidelines-2019\\_20.pdf](http://www.sd42.ca/assets/media/Elementary-Transfer-Guidelines-2019_20.pdf)



### Drop Off and Pick Up Reminder

We are seeing some instances of parents parking in our fire lane and leaving their vehicles unattended while they come into the school. This is a violation of the fire code, and is viewed quite seriously by the Fire Department. One of the reasons our lot has remained open to cars in the morning for drop off and at the end of the day for pick up is our assurance that cars will not be left unattended in the fire lane at any time during the day. We ask for your cooperation in following this request in the morning and after school.

### Yennadon is on Twitter!

For quick reminders and updates, follow us on Twitter @YennadonSD42.



### **Head Lice**



This is the time of year when head lice may show up in your child's hair. To prevent head lice among children at school, we ask that you remind your child not to share personal items such as combs and brushes. We also ask that you check your child's head weekly for the presence of head lice. We have some information about "head lice" on our school website and you can also contact the Public Health Nurse at 476-7000 with any questions you may have. Finally, if you discover the presence of head lice on your child(ren) please contact the school office.

### **Ministry of Education Student Learning Surveys**

#### **MESSAGE TO PARENTS OF GRADE 4 AND 7 STUDENTS**

If you have a student in grade 4 or 7, they will soon bring home a letter outlining this year's Student Learning Survey for parents. This year, we must complete all surveys on-line, so we would ask you to please take 15 minutes of your time to fill this out.

The letter we send home will include a password to sign on with, as well as directions to help you. If, at any time, you have questions please do not hesitate to call us. As well, we are more than willing to let you complete your Student Learning Survey using one of our school computers. The



more parents who complete these surveys, the higher quality of feedback we will receive. Your input is appreciated! All surveys must be completed online by April 30<sup>th</sup>. As well as completing this survey, please feel free to come and see us anytime with questions or feedback!

### **Cell Phones and Cameras at School**

Please remember that we do not allow students to use personal cameras or cell phones at school during the day. If students do bring a camera or cell phone, they can only use it with a teacher's permission, and this will be given for supervised pictures or activities pertaining to school projects.

Cell phones should be turned-off and kept in a back-pack during the day. If students need to use a phone, they are asked to get a phone slip from their teacher and use a phone at the school office or in their teacher's classroom.



If we see students using personal cameras or cell phones during the school day, we do reserve the right to take the phone or camera and hold onto it until the end of the day. If a second situation occurs, we will hold onto the phone or camera until a parent comes by to pick it up.

Finally, please remember we cannot be responsible for lost cell phones or iPods. Students must be very careful to look after these at all times. If they want, the office will hold onto them during the day for safety, and they can come by after school to pick their cell phone up. Thanks for your understanding and support of these expectations.





## **Tips for Getting to School on Time**

### *The Night Before Stuff:*

- 1) Pack lunches and fill water bottles. Doing it when it's late and you (or the children if they're able) are tired beats racing to do it when it's early and you or the children are tired.
- 2) Choosing outfits ahead of time is a great idea, of course. It also never hurts to have them pick a backup in case they are in a panic and have changed their mind when it's time to get dressed. That way, the potential ten-minute, "But I don't want to wear THAT today!" discussion can hopefully be tackled in two seconds with an, "Okay, here you go, then!" at-hand solution.
- 3) Check for any due library books, permission slips, homework to turn in, etc. and be sure they are all filed in the child's backpack.
- 4) Put the backpacks by the front door. You'd think they're too big to lose; you'd be wrong.
- 5) Have each child put their shoes on top of their backpack. Put a sock in each shoe.



## **SD42 Ready Set Learn Events**

Open to all preschoolers in all Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows neighbourhoods.

**Maple Ridge Central Event: Wednesday, February 27, 2019, 5:30 – 7:00 pm**

**Harry Hooge Elementary School**

M.R. Central Neighbourhood Schools: Albion, Alouette, Eric Langton, Glenwood, Golden Ears, Harry Hooge, Kanaka Creek

**Ready Set Learn: Partnership for Preschoolers Event: Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 5:00 – 6:30 pm**

**The ACT Theatre**

**Maple Ridge West Neighbourhood Event: Wednesday, April 3, 2019, 5:30 – 7:00 pm**

**Hammond Elementary School**

M.R. West Neighbourhood Schools: Fairview, Hammond, Laity View, Maple Ridge Elementary

**Maple Ridge East Neighbourhood Event: Tuesday, April 30, 2019, 5:30 – 7:00 pm**

**Garibaldi Secondary School**

M.R. East Neighbourhood Schools: Alexander Robinson, Blue Mountain, Webster's Corners, Whonnock, Yennadon

## **Fraser Valley Regional Library (Maple Ridge) Spring Break Programs**

**Springtime Tales Puppet Show, Tuesday, Mar. 19, 10:30 am – 11:00 am**

**Toddler Dance Party, Wednesday, Mar. 20, 10:15 am – 10:45 am**

**Get Your Paint On!, Wednesday, Mar. 20, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

**Science World on the Road, Monday, Mar. 25, 10:30 am – 11:15 am**

**Guest Storyteller: Tiffany Stone, Tuesday, Mar. 26, 10:30 am – 11:00 am**

**Family Movie Afternoon, Thursday, Mar. 28, 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm**

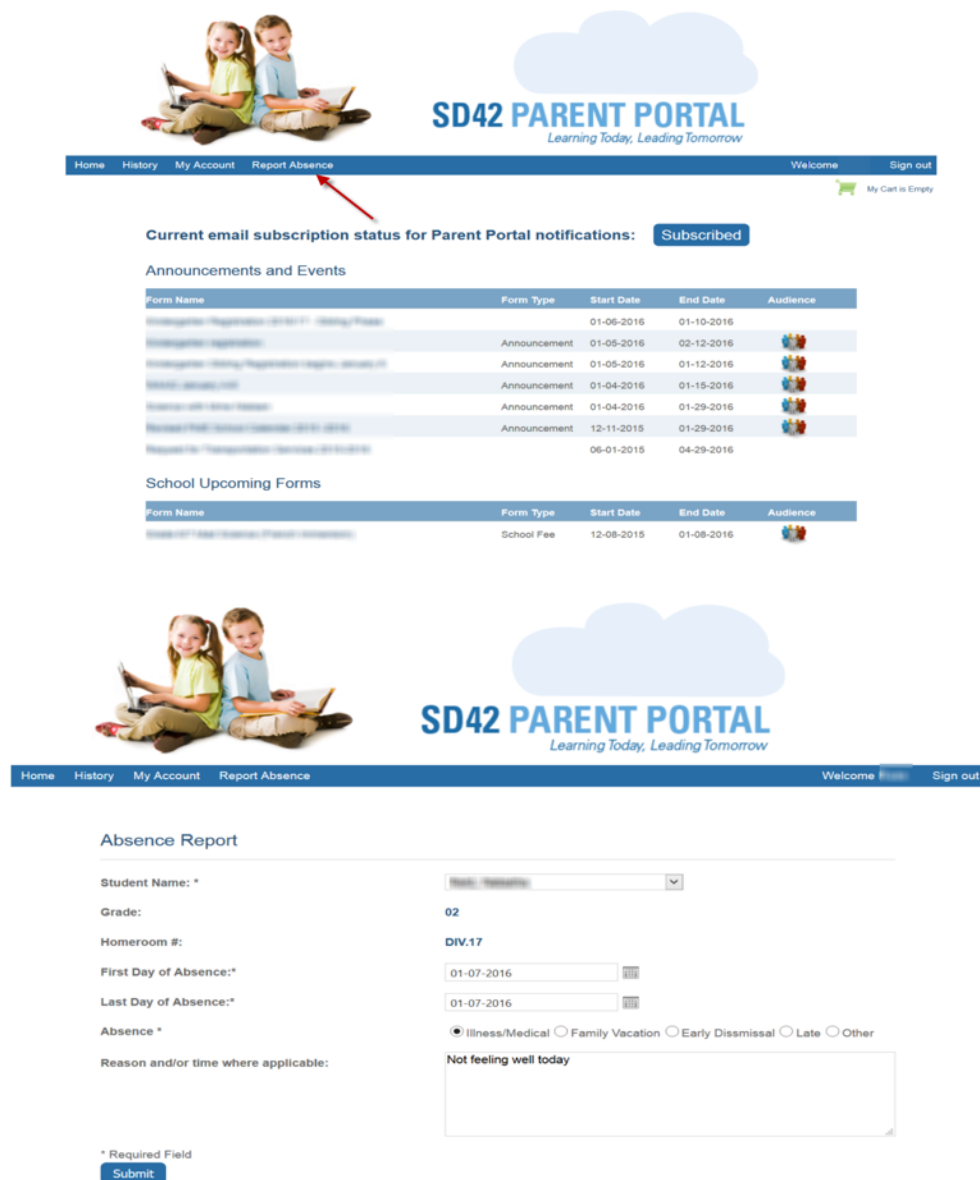


## You can now report your child's absence online through the Parent Portal

### HOW TO REPORT AN ABSENCE THROUGH THE PARENT PORTAL:

1. Log into your Parent Portal account (<http://parents.sd42.ca>) and click on the "Report Absence" tab in the main menu.
2. Select your linked child from the drop down menu. Your child's grade and division will automatically appear.
3. Select the days of absence and provide the school with a reason for the absence and any other information you feel is relevant.
4. Click on the "Submit" button. The system will send a notification email to the school, and will also send a confirmation email to the email address linked to your Parent Portal account.

If you are reporting your child's absence through the Parent Portal, you do not need to call the school.



**SD42 PARENT PORTAL**  
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Home History My Account **Report Absence** Welcome Sign out

My Cart is Empty

Current email subscription status for Parent Portal notifications: **Subscribed**

Announcements and Events

Form Name	Form Type	Start Date	End Date	Audience
Registration Application (2015-16) (Spring/Summer)		01-06-2016	01-10-2016	
Registration Application	Announcement	01-06-2016	02-12-2016	
Registration - Spring/Summer Registration (2015-16)	Announcement	01-06-2016	01-12-2016	
Registration - Spring/Summer Registration (2015-16)	Announcement	01-04-2016	01-15-2016	
Registration - Spring/Summer Registration (2015-16)	Announcement	01-04-2016	01-29-2016	
Registration - Spring/Summer Registration (2015-16)	Announcement	12-11-2015	01-29-2016	
Registration - Spring/Summer Registration (2015-16)		06-01-2015	04-29-2016	

School Upcoming Forms

Form Name	Form Type	Start Date	End Date	Audience
Registration - Spring/Summer Registration (2015-16)	School Fee	12-08-2015	01-08-2016	

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**Absence Report**

Student Name: \*

Grade: **02**

Homeroom #: **DIV.17**

First Day of Absence: \*

Last Day of Absence: \*

Absence \* ☒ Illness/Medical ☐ Family Vacation ☐ Early Dismissal ☐ Late ☐ Other

Reason and/or time where applicable:

\* Required Field

**Submit**



## **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  
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# The Redesigned Curriculum at Yennadon

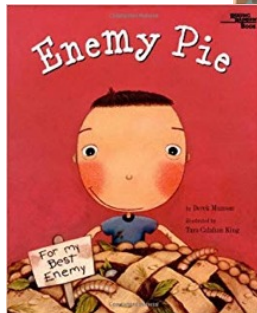
## COLLABORATIVE LEARNING

**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.

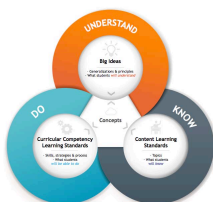
Students are expected to come prepared to discuss and collaborate. Teachers build in accountability with group marks and individual student assessments. Students teach each other through working on challenging class problems with the teacher as facilitator or coach. The goal is to shift learning from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



Divisions 12 and 21 worked together on a literacy project while reading the book *Enemy Pie*, written by Derek Munson, to create friendship pie recipes and make delicious treats to enjoy and share with each other.



### 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.