



## YENNADON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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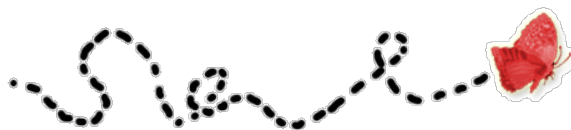
April 27, 2023

### Principal's Message

*It is hard to believe that we only have two months left in the school year. Many events are occurring this term, and our PAC is always instrumental in supporting them. Among the upcoming highlights are hot lunches, the primary Cross Country meet at Albion Fairgrounds, Intermediate Cross Country at Alouette Lake, our Ready Set Kindergarten event to welcome our new kindergarten students, and our class and group photo day. The larger Track and Field meet for our intermediate students will be proceeding at MRSS in June.*

*At Yennadon, we have a hard working, dedicated staff and supportive parent group excited about our many extra activities for our students. Our students are very fortunate to be in a vibrant and active learning environment and we thank each and every one of you who give that 'little extra' to make Yennadon an exciting place to learn!*

Mrs. L. Lawrance, Principal



### Upcoming Events

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| Tues., May 2        | 2:45 pm New Kindergarten Parent Orientation (virtual)                        |
| Wed., May 3         | 9:00 am PRIMARY Assembly   |
| Thurs., May 4       | Spirit Day – Star Wars Day!  |
| Fri., May 5         | Pizza Hot Lunch (pre-order required)   |
| Sat., May 6         | Deadline to Order White Spot Hot Lunch (for May 15 <sup>th</sup> )           |
| May 8 – 12          | Leadership Students – African Bracelet Sales                                 |
| Tues., May 9        | Fruit and Vegetable Delivery – apples  |
|                     | <b>11:00 am Current Kindergarten Early Dismissal</b>                         |
|                     | 12:00 noon Ready, Set, Kindergarten – <i>new Ks and parents</i>              |
| <b>Wed., May 10</b> | <b>District Non-Instructional Day – No School for Students</b>               |
|                     | 7:00 pm PAC Paint Night Fundraiser (The Well)                                |
| Fri., May 12        | Spirit Day – Pod Colour Day!   |
| Sun., May 14        | <i>Happy Mother's Day!</i>   |
| Mon., May 15        | White Spot Hot Lunch (pre-order required)                                    |
| Tues., May 16       | SD42 Intermediate Cross Country (Alouette Lake Beach)                        |
|                     | 7:00 pm PAC Meeting (location TBA)   |
| Wed., May 17        | <b>Class Group Photos</b>  |
|                     | SD42 Primary Cross Country (Albion Sports Complex)                           |
|                     | Deadline to Order Pizza Hot Lunch (for May 26 <sup>th</sup> )                |
| <b>Mon., May 22</b> | <b>Victoria Day Holiday – No School</b>                                      |
| Wed., May 24        | Grade 7 Full Day High School Visit – <i>info to follow from high schools</i> |
| Thurs., May 25      | Deadline to Order Hot Dog & TCBY Hot Lunch (for May 31 <sup>st</sup> )       |
| Fri., May 26        | Pizza Hot Lunch (pre-order required)   |
|                     | Class Placement Parent Input DUE (forms available on school website)         |



May 29 – June 2	Bike to School Week
Tues., May 30	Fruit and Vegetable Delivery – apples
Wed., May 31	Hot Dog & TCBY Hot Lunch (pre-order required)
	Deadline to Order Pizza Hot Lunch (for June 9 <sup>th</sup> )

### **Spring Cross Country**

Just a reminder, spring cross country permission forms were sent on the parent portal. If your child needs a form, please check your parent portal account.

**Parents/Guardians are responsible for transporting their child(ren) to and from these events. All students who participate in cross country must have a parent/guardian at the event the entire time. Students cannot be dropped off and picked up later.**

**Permission forms must be completed on the parent portal by Tuesday, May 9 for both primary and intermediate students.**

#### **Dates / Locations:**

Intermediate (Grades 4-7) Tuesday, May 16 at Alouette Lake Beach, Golden Ears Park

Primary (Kindergarten – Grade 3) Wednesday, May 17 at Albion Sports Complex



### **Ready, Set, Kindergarten!**

The Kindergarten Team has scheduled a **mandatory classroom visit** on **Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 noon – 2:15 pm** at the Annex for next year's Kindergarten parents to attend, along with their child. Please come and have some fun in kindergarten! **Only one important adult** such as mom, dad, auntie or grandpa **must attend with each child**. You will meet the kindergarten teachers, play some games, listen to a story, and we will take your picture too. We look forward to welcoming you to Kindergarten at Yennadon!



### **School Safety Reminders**

For safety reasons, skateboards, scooters, and bicycles must be walked on school property during the busy 8:00 am to 3:00 pm period on school days. Students who choose to ride their bike to school are strongly advised to bring a lock and properly secure their bike to the rack.

### **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**

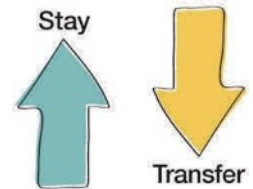
These guidelines apply to students who want to:

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

Parents contemplating a transfer request are encouraged to consult with the principal before submitting a formal request. **To make a formal transfer request, log in to your [Parent Portal](#) account, click on the 'Registration' tab, and under 'New Request' select the appropriate transfer period.**

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 students



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 usually do not accept 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 prioritization of transfer requests for more detailed information: [SD42 Procedure for Student Placement](#) and [SD42 Elementary Student Transfer Guidelines](#).

## **Healthy Habits for Kids**

Healthy habits, including healthy eating, regular physical activity and being smoke free begin at home and continue throughout life. At a young age, children learn to make decisions and begin to make more choices of their own. They are developing habits and attitudes they may carry with them for the rest of their lives. Peer pressure influences children and youth of all ages and is particularly strong in the early teen years.

In the meantime, you, as a parent, play an important role in helping your children stay healthy. You may want to:

- Encourage your children to eat three well-balanced meals by selecting food outlined in Canada's Food Guide, ample vegetables and fruit is particularly important
- Offer them water and lower-fat milk (1% or 2%) instead of pop and other sugary drinks
- Serve healthier options like fresh fruit, veggie sticks and low-fat yogurt for after school snacks
- Encourage free outdoor play and limit their screen time
- Make both your indoor and outdoor family activities free from secondhand smoke
- Encourage your children to choose activities they love – any activity - dancing, basketball, hockey, soccer, swimming or rollerblading
- Schedule active family outings like hiking, swimming or biking

Set a good example yourself by eating healthfully and being physically active on a regular basis and by being smoke free.

**Eat Well... Be Active... Live Tobacco Free!**



## **Class Composition for 2023/2024**

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 using the form on the school website or by sending an email to [lisa\\_lawrance@sd42.ca](mailto:lisa_lawrance@sd42.ca) by May 26, 2023. Please refrain from requesting specific teachers or peers by name.**



## **Warmer Weather Attire and Safe Shoes**

As the warmer weather becomes more the norm (hopefully), our thoughts are starting to turn to Spring and Summer clothing. Please remember our dress code, in which we ask students to wear appropriate clothing to school.

Students are expected to dress in a manner appropriate for an elementary school. The school district is committed to providing students with learning environments that are safe, responsive, and inclusive. The district recognizes that decisions about dress reflect individual expression of identity, socio-cultural norms, and that they are personal.

Students may attend school and school-related functions in dress of their choice provided that their choices:

- Conform with established health and safety requirements for the intended activity;
- Do not represent or promote weapons, gang culture, and controlled substances, including but not limited to drugs, alcohol or tobacco;
- Use respectful language;
- Do not depict or promote violence, racism, sexism or discrimination; and
- Are not intimidating to others.

Staff may use their discretion if they believe an article of clothing is not appropriate for an elementary school. Ultimately, the school administration has the responsibility to apply the dress guidelines when necessary. If any person dresses in an inappropriate manner, the student should be advised personally and discretely and given an opportunity to meet school district guidelines.



### **Yennadon Elementary is on Twitter!**

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

For schoolwide information and events, check our school website at

<https://elementary.sd42.ca/yennadon/> .

## **Elementary Summer Learning**

**ONLINE REGISTRATION (via Parent Portal) is OPEN from April 18 to May 9, 2023.**

Visit the SD42 website at <http://www.sd42.ca/program/summer-learning/> for more information.

### **Option 1 – Elementary**

Elementary students (grades K-6) participating in the summer learning program will engage in academic activities across different areas of study. Program outcomes will be linked to Ministry of Education grade level learning standards. Classroom teachers may explore and reinforce learning outcomes in literacy, numeracy, and/or STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math), or ADST (applied design, skills, and technology).

**Regular attendance is required – please plan accordingly.** Families will receive a confirmation of enrolment by June 12.

**LOCATION** – Golden Ears Elementary 23124 - 118 Avenue Maple Ridge

### **SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, July 5 – Friday, July 21, 2023

9 a.m. to 12:20 p.m., Monday to Friday (40 hours) \*15-minute recess

### **Option 2 – Grade 7 to 8 Transition Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies (ADST)**

Students wanting to register in the Grade 7 to 8 Transition ADST summer learning program must choose between the *Video Game Design/Coding* program, the *Woodwork/Metal Work* program, or the *Drama/Theatre* program. Students cannot register for more than one program. The program outcomes will be linked to Grade 8 ADST learning standards.

**Regular attendance is required – please plan accordingly.** Families will receive a confirmation of enrolment by June 12.

**LOCATION** – Thomas Haney Secondary 23000 - 116 Avenue Maple Ridge

### **SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, July 5 – Friday, July 21, 2023

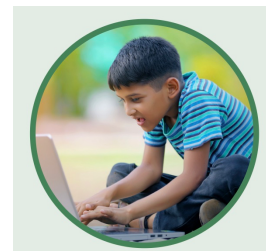
9 a.m. to 12:20 p.m., Monday to Friday (40 hours) \*15-minute recess

*\*Please note: To accommodate the volume of requests for ADST Technology, Video Game Design/Coding, we may need to consider staggered programming. If this occurs, students will be assigned either the 8:30 to 11:50 a.m. time slot or the 10:15 a.m. to 1:35 p.m. time slot.*

### **REGISTRATION**

Families can register through the Parent Portal (<https://parents.sd42.ca>) between **noon, Tuesday, April 18** and **3 p.m. Tuesday, May 9**. Registrations received after the deadline or once capacity has been reached will be waitlisted (the waitlist registration period runs between May 15 and June 9). Please note that priority will be given to SD42 students, followed by the registration time stamp.

To enrol your child, go to [parents.sd42.ca](https://parents.sd42.ca) and click on the “Registration” tab. Select “Current Year 2022/2023” and choose your program. Families with a child who is not currently enrolled in SD42 should select the Begin Enrolment Request button (**green**), while families with a current SD42 student should select the Begin Transfer Request (**orange**) button.





## **Family Education Centre**

The Family Education & Support Centre has been supporting families in our community for over 40 years. Please visit their website at [www.familyed.bc.ca](http://www.familyed.bc.ca) to find out more about the services they offer.



## **MENTAL WELLNESS FOR PARENTS**

Designed to meet specific needs of parents living with mental health challenges including anxiety and/or depression. No diagnosis needed to attend this program. Featuring mental wellness and parenting information, resources, and support. Programming for children 0-6 is available.

**Date: May 3- June 21 (Wed)**

**Time: 945-1145am**

**Cost: FREE**



## **ANGER MONSTERS**

This children's program is designed to teach children 8-12 yrs old what anger is.

This program is designed to allow participants to be able to identify their triggers and learn tools to help control their anger.

The parents program features skills from Neufeld Institute, including various anger cycles and goals of behavior.

Participants will also learn how to help support their child's efforts to tame their anger, along with different calming techniques.

**Date: May 27- June 17 (Sat)**

**Time: 330-530pm**

**Cost: \$90**

**\*price for 1 parent and 1 child**

## **Summer Day Camps**

### **Science Rocks! Summer Camps**

The University of Fraser Valley Faculty of Science is offering Science Rocks! Summer camps at Abbotsford and Chilliwack campuses of UFV July 4 - and August 18, 2023, for kids going into **grades 4, 5, 6, and 7** for the upcoming fall. Fun and exciting science activities exploring physics, biology, chemistry, math, and computer science.

Learn more: <https://ufv.ca/science/science-in-the-community/science-rocks/>

### **Royal Soccer Club Day Camps 2023**

Royal Soccer Club is once again offering soccer day camps, including morning and full day sessions. These camps, appropriate for children aged 5-13, have before and after school care available and will run in the months of July and August. Visit <https://royalsoccerclub.com/> to learn more.

Morning session info: <https://royalsoccerclub.com/our-camps/summer-day-camps/morning-sessions/>

Full day session info: <https://royalsoccerclub.com/our-camps/summer-day-camps/full-day-sessions/>

## **Community Fundraiser**

A number of schools, including Yennadon, are participating in a community fundraiser in partnership with Rotary Club of Haney. Proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit students within the SD42 community. You can get your tickets online at

<https://haneyrotarysd42dpac.rafflenexus.com/a/dpac>.

Deadline is June 28, 2023, and the draw is June 29, 2023, at 6:00 pm.



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## **ROTARY CLUB OF HANEY – SD42 DPAC ONLINE RAFFLE & 50/50 FUNDRAISER**

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