



BEARS FAMILY BULLETIN

April 27- May 1, 2026

With gratitude and respect, we acknowledge that we live, learn, and work on the traditional territories of the Coast Salish: T'Sou-ke Nation, SCÍΛNEW (Beecher Bay) Nation, and the Nuu-chah-nulth: Paa?çiid?paḥ (Pacheedaht) Nation. We also recognize that some of our schools are located on the traditional territories of the MÁLEXEL (Malahat) Nation, and the Lək'wəjən peoples of Songhees and Esquimalt Nations.

Monday 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donburi bowls (if you ordered) • Lock Down drill 10am 	Monday 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Belmont Football – Grade 8 PHE • Donburi bowls (if you ordered)
Tuesday 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subway lunch (if you ordered) 	Tuesday 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subway Lunch (if you ordered) • Red Dress Day Walk (for 2 classes)
Wednesday 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PAC Cookie Day (if you ordered) 	Wednesday 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Drill 10am
Thursday 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarpinos Lunch (if you ordered) • Grade 8 ADST reports on MyEd for Rotation #3 	Thursday 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarpinos Lunch (if you ordered) • Band Spring Concert at Belmont 7pm – by donation
Friday May 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Band Students to Nanaimo • Raven Family going Bowling 	Friday 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PAC Pizza lunch (if you ordered) • Celebration of Arts (student air band, etc)

Upcoming Dates:

May:

- 11 – Pro D Day – school not in session**
- 12 – Belmont visit – tentative**
- 13 – Gr. 8's registered at RBSS to visit – to be confirmed**
- 18 – Victoria Day Holiday – school not in session**
- 28 – Gymnastics club to come for Grade 6 PHE class**

ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS

Translate this page:

<https://translate.google.com>

DISTRICT OR COMMUNITY NEWS:

1. UVic Science Department: On Saturday, May 9, [Science Rendezvous](#), one of Canada's largest, free, one-day STEM festivals, will be returning to Victoria. This event is a great opportunity for students and families of all ages to engage in science in a fun and interactive way.

Science Rendezvous is hosted by the University of Victoria and offers students K-12, educators, and science enthusiasts of all ages the opportunity to engage in hands-on STEM

Dear Centre Mountain Lellum Families,

What a gorgeous spring weekend this was! I hope this finds you well and enjoying the outdoors.

It was lovely to see so many families in the school for our Informal Learning Updates on April 16 and 17. Thank you for supporting your child's learning. Thank you also for supporting our Book Fair, which made some money to buy new books.

We had a great Pro D Day this past Monday where many of our teachers attended a session to strengthen their learning around our school goal of Number Sense – and learned even more strategies to teach and solidify our students understanding of multiplication/division basic facts.

As you may know, our Gr. 7 and 8 Band earned a place at Nationals for their scoring at the Port Alberni Festival, and while they won't be attending this year, they are planning to make the trip to Calgary next year to participate. So, the Band is having some fundraisers to support this trip – see details below.

Spring Athletics is underway with Badminton, Rugby, and Track and Field.

learning by participating in 40+ activities side-by-side with real, world-renowned scientists, engineers, mathematicians, and computer and software experts who live right here in Victoria.

Walk through a state-of-the-art greenhouse, peer at the stars using the largest telescope on any Canadian university campus, demo the latest tech for renewable energy, experiment with lasers, explore the ocean...there's science galore at Science Rendezvous!

Date: Saturday, May 9th, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Note that doors will be opening at 9:30 a.m. at both locations for families who would benefit from a distraction-reduced environment.

Location: Bob Wright Centre, Elliott Building and Petch Building, University of Victoria ([map](#))

Cost: Free!

[Visit the event website for more details](#)

2. Earth Rangers – for youth aged 13-18. *See attached flyer*

3. Musical Theatre Summer Camp *See attached flyer*

4. Safer Schools Together: due to high demand, Safer Schools continues to offer their complimentary FAMILY Sessions on the topics of “**Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities**” See link for more information. [erase Family Sessions](#)

Please don't miss this opportunity to strengthen your family's digital safety practices, and feel empowered, not overwhelmed by the online world children and youth navigate every day.

5. Family Smart Resources – see link to register for events:
<https://familysmart.ca/monthly-events/>

6. Ministry of Education & Child Care: Substance Use Prevention Series (online) for parents, guardians, caregivers.
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/erase/documents/mental-health-wellness/substance-use-prevention-series.pdf>

SCHOOL NEWS:

- Grade 8 ADST Learning Updates:** Grade 8's only – please find the Learning Update for the 3rd Rotation of ADST on MyEd on April 30.
- Band Fundraisers:**
 - Pacific Football Club game. May 30** – come support the Centre Mountain Lellum Choir and Jazz Band as they perform the national anthem prior to kick-off, and the Jazz Band will play at halftime. Tickets are \$18 each for General Admission tickets and the Band will get \$5 back for every ticket sold. Get your tickets here:
<https://www.gofevo.com/event/Centremountain>
[2 See attached poster](#)
 - Langford Return-It Bottle Depot:** Take your empty bottles here and tell them it's for Centre Mountain Lellum Band (#1082), and all profits will support our school Band program. 1045 Dunford Ave.
- Seeking Donations:** If you have any of the following items, please feel free to drop off at the office.
 - **Art:** baby food jars (clean), magazines, calendars
 - **PHE:** baseball gloves in good condition
- New Signage at Pick up/ Drop off loop:** You may have noticed the 'no stopping', 'no parking' and 'pick up/drop off only' signs in our lower parking loop. We have had these installed to remind drivers to NOT STOP or PARK on either side of the road, it is meant to be a loop that continually keeps moving. Please do not get out of your vehicle as this only holds up everyone behind you. Thank you to one of our parents who shared a photo of a car stopping to pick up right at the entrance to the lower staff/visitor lot. This is very dangerous as this roadway is our emergency lane. If we needed to call ambulance or fire department, they need to be able to get down the road and through that lane to get to our school. This is for the safety of our student and staff. Also, please do not pick up students in the lower parking lot – this is parking for staff and visitors entering the school only.
- Student & Parent Learning Survey:** Last week! Please! We want to hear the voices of our school community! The [2025-26 Student Learning Survey](#) is now open and will

remain available until May 1, 2026. This Provincial Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size, and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, principals, and students to topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and will be useful information for us for our 1st School Goal. In the next few weeks, the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in Grade 7 at our school. We encourage you to participate in this survey as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where our school needs to focus on improvements. The parent survey is available in 18 languages.

6. **Virtual Learning Commons:** now live on the Sooke School District website. You will find links to sites and resources to support your child's learning. [Virtual Library Learning Commons | Sooke School District](#)
7. **Please continue to monitor your child's social media.** We are having families contact us for inappropriate comments, photos, etc., being sent to other students in the evenings and weekends. Please monitor your child's use of social media.
8. **If your child will be absent,** please use the attendance email to let the office know, and it's always a good idea to cc the classroom teacher. Use: cml@sd62.bc.ca

School Goals: Each year our school sets and reviews our school goals based on what we are seeing and hearing from our students.

This year, our 3 goals are:

- 1) *Foster a safe, welcoming, and engaging learning environment where all students feel valued, connected, and experience a strong sense of belonging.*
- 2) *Strengthen students' number sense (starting with a focus on mastering multiplication/division facts).*
- 3) *Strengthen students' reading comprehension.*

