



# BEARS BULLETIN FOR FAMILIES

## Feb. 10-21, 2025

We acknowledge the traditional territories of the Coast Salish: T'Sou-ke Nation and Sc'ianew Nation and Nuu-chah-nulth: Pacheedaht Nation. We also recognize some of our schools reside on the traditional territory of the Esquimalt Nation and Songhees Nation.

<b>Monday 10</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Change Request window opens until Feb. 21</li> </ul>	<b>Monday 17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Day holiday – no school</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday 11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Breakfast club closed today</li> </ul>	<b>Tuesday 18</b>	
<b>Wednesday 12</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Breakfast club closed today</li> <li>PAC popcorn day (if you ordered)</li> <li>Grade 5's visit for band concert -10am</li> <li>Grade 5 Family Information Evening 6:00pm</li> </ul>	<b>Wednesday 19</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PAC cookie day (if you ordered)</li> <li>Gr. 8 Parent meeting for ski trip 6-7pm</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday 13</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subway lunch (if you ordered)</li> <li>Gr. 8 vs RCMP volleyball game</li> </ul>	<b>Thursday 20</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subway lunch (if you ordered)</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 14</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pro D day – school not in session</li> <li>Have a Heart Day - <a href="#">Have a Heart Day</a></li> </ul>	<b>Friday 21</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PAC Pizza Hot lunch (if you ordered)</li> </ul>

### Upcoming Dates

#### February:

**26 – Pink Shirt Day** – wear your pink

#### March:

**1 – School bus registration opens for 2025-26**

**6 – Grade 8 ski trip**

**11 – Term 2 reports on MyEd**

**12 – school chess tournament**

**14 - 30 – Spring Break holidays**

**31 – school reopens**

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<https://translate.google.com/>

#### DISTRICT OR COMMUNITY NEWS:

- Bus registration** for the 2025-26 school year opens on March 1 at 8:00 a.m. and closes on April 30, 2025. Our bus assignments and routes will be developed from registrations received during this period. Families are encouraged to register during this period. For more info: <https://www.sd62.bc.ca/our-district/transportation>
- Line & Sun Fencing Club:** is offering **free** fencing classes for our community for anyone 10 years and older, every Tuesday, 6:30-8:00pm at PEXSISEN school gym. No registration required, just show up! All equipment is provided. For more information see: [LS Fencing Club](#) or email [info@fencingls.ca](mailto:info@fencingls.ca)

Dear Centre Mountain Lellum Families,

Well, that was a week! We thank you for your patience and support as we dealt with snow, slush, and ice. One of the best parts of this week was watching the fun the kids had playing in the snow at recess and lunch. The smiles and laughs as they slid down the hill, rolled huge balls of snow, and just played was so wonderful to see, and confirmed for us all that middle school kids are just kids! See photos below.

#### SCHOOL NEWS:

- Student Advisory Council:** I'm excited to begin meeting with our newly created Student Advisory Council. I invited interested students to fill out an 'expression of interest' and was delighted to have a fabulous group of students apply. The group is made up of an equal number of Gr. 6, 7, and 8 students (18 students in all), and will serve to give students a voice in decisions made around our school that impact our school community and learning. We've had our first meeting and will meet every 2 weeks.
- Student Learning Survey 2024/2025**  
The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective. In the next few weeks, the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 7. We encourage all parents/guardians/caregivers

- **Healthy Minds BC** offers free mental health prevention and early intervention resources. For more information see: <https://healthymindsbc.gov.bc.ca/>
- [Raising Digitally Responsible Youth](#)
- **Westshore Wolves** has given us some free tickets for any of their remaining games. They are available in the office. Feel free to come get some, or have your child get some in the office.
- **The Ministry of Education & Child Care** in partnership with adolescent clinical psychologist Dr. Hayley Watson from Open Parachute will host 3 virtual sessions for parents, guardians and caregivers related to substance use and mental health needs. *See attachment.*
- **Free adult “English Corner” classes** to practice communicating in English, make new friends, and find opportunities to contribute to the wellbeing of the community. Located at the Greater Victoria Public Library’s Juan de Fuca Branch. Please *see the attached poster* for more details and to register.
- **Westshore Warriors Football Club:** the non-profit community football club is expanding its Jr. Bantam team (athletes born in 2011-2012). Registration has officially reopened for this season. *See attachment* for more details.

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 improvements.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey>. Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district (62 Sooke) and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section. The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact the school. *See attached letter for more information.*



