



BEARS FAMILY BULLETIN

May 25-June 5, 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: Paaʔçiidʔath (Pacheedaht) Nation. We also recognize that some of our schools are located on the traditional territories of the MÁLEXEL (Malahat) Nation, and the Ləkʷəŋən peoples of Songhees and Esquimalt Nations.

Monday 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sushi lunch (if you ordered) Grade 7 Pop Dart Tournament 	Monday June 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sushi lunch (if you ordered)
Tuesday 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subway lunch (if you ordered) Belmont Visit for Grade 8's 	Tuesday 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subway Lunch (if you ordered) Fire Drill 9am Div. 8-1 and 8-5 to Outpost Board Cafe
Wednesday 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gr. 6 Market at lunch time PAC Popcorn Day (if you ordered) 	Wednesday 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Middle School Chess Tournament (at Centre Mountain Lellum)
Thursday 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gr. 6 Market at lunch time Sarpinos lunch (if you ordered) Grade 6 gymnastics for PHE 	Thursday 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sarpinos lunch (if you ordered) Gr. 7 and 8 to Harbour Cats game Gr. 8 Parent meeting for Cultus Lake 6pm
Friday 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership Club Fun Fair (afternoon) 	Friday 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PAC Pizza lunch (if you ordered)

Upcoming Dates:

June:

- 9 – Grade 5's visit
- 11 – Grade 5's visit
- 18 – Grade 6 to Harbour Cats
- 18 – Grade 8 trip to Cultus Lake
- 19 – School BBQ & Spring Family Challenge
- 24 - Grade 6 to Island View Beach
- 24 – Grade 7 to Shawnigan Lake
- 24 – Grade 8 Leaving 6:00-8:30pm
- 25 – last day of school – yearbooks given out

ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS

Track & Field Meets:

Monday May 25th events: Sprint Hurdles, 1200 Meters, 300 meters, Boys Long Jump, Grade 8 High Jump, Girls Discus, Boys Shot Put

Wednesday May 27th events: Boys Discus Final, 2000 meter final, 4 x 100 meter relay (qualifying), 4 x 200 meter relay (practice races)

Dear Centre Mountain Lellum Families,

I hope your family has been able to enjoy this beautiful spring weather! I'm enjoying getting out in my garden and always marvel that things are growing.

I can't believe I am now writing June in our newsletter. We continue to be deep into learning. I've loved going into classrooms to hear students talk about the books they are reading during literature circles (like a book club). We are collecting our year end data for our school goals. Over the next couple of weeks, teachers will be administering reading assessments, multiplication facts assessments, and students will be completing a short survey on their feelings of connection & belonging for our Engagement goal. This information will help guide our goals for next school year.

SCHOOL NEWS:

- Are you moving?** Families of Grade 6 and 7 students...if you know your family will be moving over the summer and not returning to Centre Mountain Lellum in Sept., please let our office staff know by emailing cml@sd62.bc.ca. Our enrollment is getting tight, so it's helpful for us to know of any spaces that may be available for new students who are registering. Thank you!

Wednesday June 3rd ALL DAY: 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
Qualifying athletes will be contacted by Mrs. Sharpe

Translate this page:
<https://translate.google.com>

DISTRICT OR COMMUNITY NEWS:

1. Brand new community football program for teens - The South Island Outlaws Football Association.

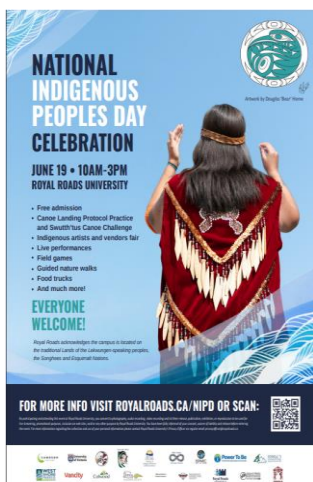
Registration is now open! Teens with birth years 2012-2008 are eligible to join, so this means our grade 8s moving up to high school next school year!

Until now, there has been no community option for this age group - students could only play if they could attend Belmont, Mt. Doug, or Spectrum. This left many teens unable to participate, having to quit, and not even being able to even try the sport. This program is designed to change that by offering an inclusive opportunity for all interested players, including the grade 8 students who are not attending Belmont next school year.

Sports can play such a vital role in youth development - especially at a time when staying busy and engaged in healthy, positive activities is more important than ever.

All registration details can be found on the website:
www.southislandoutlaws.com

2. National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration



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

- Staffing:** While we don't have a lot of staff movement next year, we will be saying good-bye to Ms. Morrell, Ms. Branson, and Ms. Sanderson (all grade 8 teachers). Ms. Morrell has taken a job at Belmont. With these changes, we welcome Ms. Jamie Ball to our Grade 8 teacher team. Ms. Ball taught at Centre Mountain 2 years ago and is excited to return. Stay tuned for more staffing information as more positions get posted and filled.
- PAC news:** The PAC held their AGM last week and are still in need of some positions to be filled. They are a fantastic group of people, so if you're interested, follow them on Facebook – Centre Mountain Lellum PAC.

- o **Booster Juice lunch on June 19 has been re-scheduled for June 12 to accommodate our year end BBQ for students.**
- o Final Week of Parachute Ice Cream Fundraiser! (see info below on how to order)
- o Thank you to Meadowcure Pharmacy & Coffee for their donation to our PAC hot lunch program. This helps the PAC provide complimentary lunches for students who would otherwise be unable to order them. Please support them!



- Centre Mountain Lellum Band Fundraisers:**
 - o **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:

4. 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>

<https://www.gofevo.com/event/Centremountain2>

- **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.
5. **Spring Break 2027 Trip to South Africa:** Our teacher-librarian, Ms. Chris DoSouto, is looking to lead her 13th international trip, and this time to South Africa. It is open to middle and high school students and their parents. The trip will include an unforgettable safari experience to Kruger National Park, where you can see wildlife up close. She needs to know initial interest by Wednesday, May 27 in order to continue planning for the trip. Fundraising has already begun and she has \$300 available for each participate who signs up before the end of this school year (June 25).



6. **E-Scooters: Riders must be at least 16 years of age to use an e-scooter.** [Electric kick scooter rules and safety - Province of British Columbia](#)

To help keep our school community safe and comfortable for students, staff, and visitors, we kindly remind families that students are expected to dismount and walk their bike, scooter, or skateboard, while they are on school grounds during school hours. Students are familiar with this expectation, and we appreciate your continued support in reinforcing it at home.

If your child brings transportation equipment to school, please also ensure they have a lock, know how to use it independently, and keep their key or combination secure.

If you are looking for more information about cycling and other modes of personal mobility, including rules and safety, please visit: [Cycling and other modes of personal mobility - Province of British Columbia](#).

Thank you for partnering with us to support a safe and positive school environment.

7. **Please adhere to new signage at Pick up/ Drop off 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. 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 students 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.

8. **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](#)

9. **Please continue to monitor your child’s social media.** We need your help... please monitor your child’s use of social media, particularly Tik Tok at this time as we are having students and families contact us for inappropriate comments, photos, etc., being sent to other students in the evenings and weekends.

10. **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.*

