



Please see below the calendar, for more detailed information of listed events.

Monday, Feb 7	Tuesday, Feb 8	Wed. Feb 9	Thurs. Feb 10
<p>Please complete daily health check before sending your child to school. Check for these symptoms: daily health check</p> <p>Muffin Mondays</p> <p>TJ – SLP here all day</p> <p>Carnaval de Quebec - Stations and activities led by Grades 5-7 and Casey.</p>	<p>Please complete daily health check before sending your child to school. Check for these symptoms: daily health check</p> <p>Margot – Counsellor here in the morning</p> <p>Hot Lunch – Mac and Cheese</p> <p>Afterschool Cooking</p>	<p>Please complete daily health check before sending your child to school. Check for these symptoms: daily health check</p> <p>Vanier Wednesday School with Casey</p> <p>Grade 6/7 Youth Squad at Room to Grow 12:00-12:45</p> <p>Afterschool Soccer K - 2</p>	<p>Please complete daily health check before sending your child to school. Check for these symptoms: daily health check</p> <p>Arts with Matt</p> <p>Fire Drill 2pm</p> <p>Afterschool Soccer 3-7</p>

Alissa' s note to families...

Dear Families,

Welcome to February! Over this month we will be exploring themes relating to Black History Month, kindness, Valentine's Day, and Chinese New Year!

We will have a Valentine's Day celebration on Monday, February 14th. Please remember to be inclusive with Valentine's Day cards. If your child doesn't want to give a card to everyone in their class, giving the cards outside of school time is a better option.

If your child doesn't have time to make cards at home, we will have a centre set up with materials to make some if they would like to.

Attribute of Kindness: We have a "Kindness Tree" set up in our front foyer. We are all watching for acts of kindness we can add to our tree to see how kindness grows one action at a time!

Our Makerspace is in need of clean recycling or other materials e.g. cardboard boxes (cereal, crackers, tea, etc), cardboard tubes, interesting bits of paper, and /or other bits and bobs you may have around that would be fun to create with. You can drop them off, or your child(ren) can bring them to school.

Thank you to everyone for your support in keeping our school healthy during these ongoing COVID times. If your child is at home ill, we do have many learning activities available at our **School Website** [Learning Links page](#). Check them out!

Hot lunch Mac and Cheese on Tuesday

If you have signed up for hot lunch on Tuesday, please don't forget to still send more snacks for throughout the day. Only students who have signed up will be served lunch, so be sure to sign up in advance.

If your family is experiencing any hardship financially, please fill in the form and note that you would like a subsidy for your child(ren).

Friday Club Day pre-registration is required.

Please SIGN UP!

Friday Club Day is back in action with Casey, Ticara and Florette.

Come join us on Fridays for some FUN, explore with games, art, makerspace and more! We will provide snacks.

Time: 9:30am-12pm

Location: Room to Grow

Cost: \$5

Please Note:

- **You will have to sign your child up for Friday Club Day each week by Thursday 3pm** as we need to monitor numbers and follow COVID procedures and protocols. To sign up please email: hies.chilyouth@gmail.com. NO DROP INS at this time.
- Masks are mandatory indoors.
- We ask that you do not drop your child off before 9:30am. Please enter at the door on the deck closest to the playground. You will need to sign your child in and pay the fee at that time.
- Parent Volunteers are not required for this month, but we will need you in the future so feel free to let us know if you are available to volunteer for Friday Club Day in the future by emailing hies.chilyouth@gmail.com.

Thanks everyone and see you soon!

HIES NEWS!

Jade Wilson is our new Community School Program Coordinator and she will be your go to person for all things HIES after school program related. Jade will also continue in her position as the Recreation Coordinator for Hornby Recreation (HIRRA).

You can reach her here:

HIES contact: hies.childyouth@gmail.com

Recreation Contact: recreation@hirra.com

HIES would also like to welcome Ticara Coertze to the team as our new Afterschool Program

Sexual Health Workshops for Children, Youth and Families with Kerri Isham!

Kerri Isham has several online workshops coming up this winter/spring, including “Safe, Unsafe, and Secret Touch”, “Puberty: Coming to a Body Near You”, and “6 Must-Have Conversations with Teens”. Kerri is an amazing and engaging educator and we endorse her science-based, body-positive presentations to promote health and safety for children and young people.

Please visit the website below for a list of Kerri’s upcoming presentations and to register. If the cost is a barrier for you or your family to attend please contact meredith@hornbydenmanhealth.com for financial support.

<https://www.powerupeducation.com/power-up-live>

Early Literacy Story Time – for Pre-Schoolers on Feb 5, 2022

Please see the attached poster

Visitors to the School are by appointment only at this time

Appointments can be scheduled by contacting the school office 250-335-2125, or email

Alissa.Pratt@sd71.bc.ca

Hornby Island Community School – Code of Conduct

<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/hornby-island-community-school/code-of-conduct/>

Playground and Field Use during the school day

We are asking for only preschool and school usage of the playground and field areas during school hours.

Use of School Facilities (Currently Limited to After School Programs)

The online external user system is open to begin creating accounts.

See the instructions and link below to create your account, and once that has been approved, book some time in our lovely new spaces.

Click [HERE](#) to access the new Facility Rentals online booking system.

Contact Charmaine for more details charmaine.logan@sd71.bc.ca

Our Methods of Communication

Here are our main methods of communications:

- **Email Updates** from Teachers regarding assignments and activities
- **Blog Updates**
- **Weekly Notice:** Sent out by email every Thursday to parents and staff. This is posted on our website at: <http://hornbyisland.comoxvalleyschools.ca/> Please be sure to check your email every Thursday as important information such as school field trips, meetings, etc. are posted and announced in these notices.
- **School Website:** The website will have the most up to date information and learning tools for families <http://hornbyisland.comoxvalleyschools.ca/>

You can find the Student handbook on our website

at: http://hornbyisland.comoxvalleyschools.ca/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=1064112&type=d&pREC_ID=1357585

School Closures, Power Outages, Ferry Cancellations

We are VERY excited that our first power outage, occurring before school opening time went smoothly using our new generator!! We will continue to follow our protocols below as there may be other instances that interrupt school operations.

Our procedures for power outages, ferry cancellations, and other situations that may affect regular operations of our school are as follows: **if the power is out (or another situation arises) before school starts, the Principal/Vice Principal will contact the School District to make a decision on closing the school. If the school is to be closed we will begin the emergency call outs.** If the power goes out during the day, we will make a decision based on information we receive about how long we will be without power. We may need to close the school. If this is to happen we will contact parents/guardians/emergency contacts. For this reason, and in the case of other emergencies, it is VERY important we have your verification forms with alternate emergency contacts. **If School District #71 is closed due to weather conditions, Hornby School will also be closed unless otherwise stated. Again, the phone tree call out will be in effect and all efforts will be made to ensure call outs happen early in the morning.**

If there are power outages we may not get through to your phone line; please be sure to listen to the local radio stations.

Please note: contact information we have on file is provided by parents at the beginning of the school year when you review and sign the student verification form; If there are any changes in contact information throughout the year (i.e. phone, address, etc.) please notify the school as soon as possible so this can be updated in our system.