



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

Monday, April 11	Tuesday, April 12	Wed. April 13	Thurs. April 14
<p>Please complete daily health check before sending your child to school. Check for these symptoms: daily health check</p> <p>Lesley here – Teacher Librarian</p> <p>StoryWalk with Jennivieve</p> <p>TJ here - SLP</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 – Build your own Burrito</p> <p>Track and Field Practice</p> <p>Lesley here – Teacher Librarian</p> <p>Pre-school story time in the LLC</p> <p>PAC meeting 3:45 in the Raven Room</p> <p>Afterschool Cartooning for 4 - 7</p>	<p>Please complete daily health check before sending your child to school. Check for these symptoms: daily health check</p> <p>Sarah is here Teacher Librarian</p> <p>Track and Field Practice</p> <p>Grade 6/7 Youth Squad at Room to Grow 12:00-12:45</p> <p>Vanier students in the Raven Room (new name for the multi-use room)</p> <p>Afterschool Community Garden for 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 in the morning</p> <p>Afterschool Art for K-2</p> <p>Afterschool soccer for Gr 4 –7 starts</p>

[Alissa's note to families...](#)

Welcome back everyone to what will be a very busy last 3 months of the 2021-2022 school year.

Please keep an eye on email and paper notices coming home to ensure your child returns permissions slips on time and so you are aware of opportunities available to your child and family.

It is a good time to review our Code of Conduct with your child(ren) after a break for a refresher. Here is the link to our website:

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

Let's all have an awesome final term together!

Announcing the newly named “Raven Room”

We have been brainstorming to find the perfect name for our Multi-purpose –Creative Commons room, which is used for so many things, including arts and music, special projects, hosting the Vanier students, PAC parents baking muffins, serving hot lunches, afterschool programs and so much more. The students made suggestions, and there were some great ideas out there. We landed on the Raven Room, in honor of our school mascot.

StoryWalk – Literacy sponsored event

Our classes will visit the walk on Monday April 11th next week at various times during the week. It will be set up on Big Tree Trail and is open to the public. Jennivieve McRae-King, HIES Literacy Outreach Coordinator will lead us in this opportunity.

Teachers will be supervising their classes.

At the beginning of the year families completed a "walking field trip form" to allow us to go on walking trips off school grounds. If you need more details about this trip please let us know.

HIES Literacy Outreach would like to invite the community to participate in another beautiful StoryWalk on Big Tree Trail (starting point just off the school playground). A StoryWalk is fun literacy activity that places a picture book (literally taken apart) page by page along a trail. This installation was generously lent to us by the Comox Valley Lifelong Learning Centre. The book featured is *The Sharing Circle* by Theresa “Corky” Larsen-Jonasson and illustrated by Jessika Von Innerebner. The installation will run from Monday, April 4 - Monday, April 11.

Student Learning Survey Project

During the month of April, School District #71 is participating in the 2022 Ministry of Education Electronic Anonymous Student Learning Survey Project in cooperation with all other school districts throughout the Province.

Parents/Guardians and Caregivers can complete the online Anonymous Student

Learning Surveys **any time before April 30th, 2022**, providing immediate results to the school and the district. www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm
Grades 4 and 7 learners will be completing the survey throughout the month of April. Please let Alissa know if you wish your child to be excused from this survey by Thursday, April 15, 2022. alissa.pratt@sd71.bc.ca

PAC Meeting Tuesday, April 12 at 3:45pm in the Raven Room

Hot Lunches and Sushi Snax are planned to the end of the School year

Forms were sent home today

Please send them back by Monday April 11

The first lunch is Build your own Burritos on Tuesday, April 12th!

Body Science week is April 25 – 28

A notice was sent both electronically and paper based this week to let you know about our Body Science and Sexual Health workshops coming up at the end of this month. Please let me know if you have any questions. Alissa.pratt@sd71.bc.ca

Beginning of the school day reminder

Just a reminder to families that student drop off time is no earlier than 8:30am at the beginning of the school day. Supervision is provided out the front entrance of the school beginning at 8:30am. If you arrive at the school earlier than 8:30, you are asked to stay with your child until supervisors are on duty.

From the Learning Commons

Just before Christmas the Books4Brains children's bookshop in Comox did some fundraising and donated these fine books to our school library. They also gifted books to our lucky Blue Studio students. Thanks Books4Brains!



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.

Tribune Bay Provincial Park

BC Parks is seeking public input on management for newly acquired lands adjacent to Tribune Bay Provincial Park – see the attached advert for information.

Dance for Kindergarten – With Nancy Adams

For grade 2 students starts next Tuesday, April 12th at the Community Hall. Please drop-off children at the hall after school (3:40) with a snack. Pick up is 4:30. For more information call Nancy at 250-335-0864.

Use of School Facilities

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
- **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.