



HORNBY ISLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Monday, May 1	Tuesday, May 2	Wednesday, May 3	Thursday May 4
<p>Muffin Monday</p> <p>Kitchen Field Trip Gr. 5-7</p> <p>Printmaking Workshops</p>	<p>Soup and Salad Lunch</p> <p>Sentinels of Change Field Trip to Ford Cove Dock</p> <p>Printmaking Workshops</p> <p>Kate (LST) Margot (Counsellor) AM Matt (Arts) - PM</p> <p>Welcome to Kindergarten 4-5 PM</p> <p>Pre-School Storytime 11:15 am</p>	<p>Hot Lunch (Rice balls)</p> <p>Ride Your Bike to School Day</p> <p>Recognition Assembly</p> <p>Vanier students Raven Room</p> <p>Sandy (SLP) AM</p>	<p>Matt (Arts) - AM</p> <p>Fire Drill</p>

Judi's note to families...

I hope everyone had a great week. Grade 4 and 5 students enjoyed the Vancouver Island Symphony concert at Sid Williams Theatre on Tuesday. It was a wonderful experience for them!

Jennivieve McRae-King facilitated the Imaginary Friends Project with classes on Wednesday. After discussions and reflection, they expressed their ideas using watercolours. Andrea Wilson, our SD71 Occupational Therapist, visited classes to observe students and teach them the importance of posture, proper letter formation, and holding writing tools correctly. Many students had the opportunity for outdoor learning this week. The K/1 students participated in one of their regular walks to the Community Garden and Casey's class had fun exploring the dry riverbed on the school grounds. Thursday's release of our 100 salmon fry was a big event. The entire school headed to Beulah Creek on the bus, first thing and before releasing the fry, they showed their respect for them by returning the bones of the salmon that students had dissected early in the year as part of their Science/Indigenous Ed. Unit. Those same fish were also used to make Japanese style prints for one of the student displays at the Herring Festival. All-in-all it's been a busy week. It was exciting to have our new long jump installed just in time for students to try out the real thing before heading to the upcoming Track & Field Jamboree. Enjoy the warmth and the sunshine this weekend! It feels like Spring might have finally arrived.

[Bike, Roll or Walk to School Wednesdays in April and May](#)

Bike to School Week is coming up May 29 - June 2, 2023. Everyone is invited to start getting in shape by biking, rolling or walking to school every Wednesday leading up to it.

To get in the biking spirit, here are some bike jokes:

Q: Why can't a bicycle stand up on its own?

A: Because it's two-tired!

And...

It's just a hill.

Get over it!

[The Kitchen](#)

[Mondays, May 29, June 19th and 26th](#)

Event Information: 3 students per week from the Intermediate class will serve lunch to The Kitchen patrons. Students will stay and eat lunch with the patrons at the Kitchen. You will be notified of which day your child will be attending.

Field Trip Dates: Mondays

Time: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Student Group: Grade 5-7

Supervision Adults: Jennivieve McRae-King with HIES Literacy

Destination: The Kitchen at Hornby Island Athletic Association – Joe King Ball Park

What to bring: Please send snacks as usual. Lunch will be provided at The Kitchen

Note****There will not be any SD71 staff attending

[Sentinels of Change Field Trip to Ford Cove Dock with Natural History Stewards](#)

Tuesday mornings starting April 25th - late June

Students Group: 6 students (2 from each class) each Tuesday

All students will have an opportunity to attend

Families will be notified which date(s) their child will be attending

Supervision Adults: 1 staff will attend each week along with students

Destination: Ford Cove Dock – Life jackets will be provided by Natural History Centre

Community Partners: The Hakai Institute manages the project. Hornby volunteer partners are Hornby Island Diving Ltd, Hornby Island Natural History Centre (HIES), Conservancy Hornby Island.

Project Information: The project will deploy and monitor a network of 25 plankton traps throughout the Salish Sea, and in Puget Sound. <https://sentinels.hakai.org> We are specifically looking at Dungeness crab larvae but will be looking at other species as well.

Transportation: Volunteer Drivers from Natural History Centre. Drivers have completed the Volunteer Driver process as well as Criminal record check

Track & Field

The Track & Field Jamboree will be held on May 8 at Vanier Secondary School and the District Track & Field Meet will be on May 17. Training is every Monday and Thursday afternoon from. Please ensure your child has appropriate footwear and clothing. Grades 2-7 will participate in training as part of their regular Physical Education program. Only Grade 4-7 students will attend the track meets.

Track and Field Jamboree in Courtenay – Forms were sent home on Thursday

Student Group: Grades 4-7

Travel Itinerary:

7:45am – Meet at Shingle spit ferry terminal on Hornby Island, Board the bus in the ferry line up

8am-9am- Ferry departs, students and supervisors will travel on the bus across Denman Island then to Buckley Bay, Vancouver Island.

9am: Travel on the bus to Vanier Track, in Courtenay, BC

9:30-1:15 Track Meet events (high jump; long jump, races etc.)

1:15pm – Board the bus to travel back to Hornby Island via Buckley Bay and Denman Island

3pm – Arrive at Shingle Spit, travel to the school on the bus.

3:35 regular dismissal time, and bus route for all students.

- Please ensure students have a water bottle, suitable layers of clothing, and appropriate footwear.
- Please send extra snacks for a high energy output day.
- There will be a concession at the event. The menu and prices will be sent out next week.

****Note** there will not be a regular bus route for Kindergarten to Gr. 3 Hornby elementary students, as the bus will be chartered for the track meet in Courtenay.

Supervising Adults: Judi Ayers, Sandra Rutherford

Transportation: First Student Bus Charters.

Educational Objectives: Physical Education, Leadership

Possible Risks: Injuries from physical activity, Injuries resulting from motor vehicle incidents (bus/ferry travel, parking lot/accident/etc.)

If during instructional hours, alternate activity provided for non-participating students:

Remaining at school with primary group.

Cost to families: \$0

New Parent Library Resources

Raising a Secure Child: How Circle of Security Parenting Can Help You Nurture Your Child's Attachment, Emotional Resilience, and Freedom to Explore

<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.guilford.com%2Fbooks%2FRaising-a-Secure-Child%2FHoffman-Cooper-Powell%2F9781462527632&data=05%7C01%7CCharmaine.Logan%40sd71.bc.ca%7Cfd58b0557e80427591b708db265c875d%7C8a33c0abdc5a486195746c1f01277d1c%7C0%7C0%7C638145951066849941%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=SrtEsvacYJH0KsRnc%2BRmvqQqlqYZVw5M%2FKGev2p60jo%3D&reserved=0>

Growing Up with a Bucket Full of Happiness: Three Rules for a Happier Life by Carol McCloud | Goodreads

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Upcoming Field Trips – Save the dates

May 8 – Gr 4 – 7 Track & Field Jamboree in Courtenay

May 18 – Gr. 7 Kumugwe Cultural Society Big House Experience

May 23 – Whole School to Tribune Bay Outdoor Education Centre

June 1 – Grade 7 Try a Trade

June 6 – Gr 4/5 Bumper boats in Parksville and North Island Wildlife Recovery Centre

June 7-9 – Gr 6/7 Cedar Coast Art and Ecology Centre Vargas Island

June 14 – Whole school to Denman School for Smokehouse Experience

June 21 – Denman School visit to Hornby for National Indigenous Day

Natural History Fossil Fair – May 13th

Millions of years ago, the ancient seas and forests of Hornby Island and the parts of the east coast of Vancouver Island were inhabited by ancient creatures and plants. From ammonites to Tylosaurus, and from sharks to seabirds, fossils are a record of this life. Come learn about these creatures and explore a variety of fossils from the Late Cretaceous epoch at the Hornby Island Natural History Centre's Fossil Fair.

On May 13th, drop in between 11:30 am – 3:00 pm on the deck of the Centre at 2100 B Sollans Rd. Paleontologists and community members will share their fossil discoveries. Bring your own fossils for identification. Kids can participate in fun-hands on activities. All ages are welcome.

Special guests from the Vancouver Island Paleontological Society will share displays and storyboards and help identify fossils. You can also see the star of our exhibit: a fossil of a large marine reptile called a Tylosaurus which could be 40 feet, as long as a school bus.

PAC Fundraising for Playground Swing Set

Congratulations!! We met the goal!! There is a drawing attached if you want to see the new swing set. Thank you to the following organizations who have contributed:



Comox Valley Regional District - \$10,000



The Variety School Grant - \$10,000



First Credit Union - \$1000



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SD71 – in-kind contribution for installation - \$6,000

Co-op \$1000

GoFundMe \$3570

Variety BC's individual child grant program which provides direct help to children with funding for adaptive and mobility equipment, specialized therapies, tuition and tutoring, mental health services, and private assessments. To learn more or apply <https://www.variety.bc.ca/>



Child, Youth and Community School Programs

Contact: Jade Wilson, CYCSP Coordinator

hies.childyouth@gmail.com

Friday Club Day is BACK!!!

This is a drop-in style program from 9:30am-12pm at Room to Grow for grades K-7. Kids can explore with maker space, lego, games and an art station. We provide a snack and will spend time outside if the weather permits. Please no early birds.

Fridays April 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26.

Fee: \$5 per child.

Food preparation, growing and preserving.

Location: Ravens room in the school.

We will be planning some days to go check out our school's community garden plot at the Community Garden on Sollans road. Please stay tuned for these dates as pick up locations will change.

There is still room in these programs so please sign up your child now.

<u>Grades K-1</u> Tuesdays April 18, May 2 and May 16 Time: 3:35-4:35pm Cost: \$15	<u>Grades 2-4</u> Wednesdays April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17, 31 Time: 3:35-4:35pm Cost: \$30	<u>Grades 5-7</u> Thursdays April 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25 Time: 3:35-4:45pm Cost: \$30
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Hornby Recreation

recreation@hirra.ca

Jade Wilson, Recreation Coordinator

Soccer grades 3-7 
Mondays @ School Soccer Field 3:35-4:45pm

Axé Capoeira has got some great offerings for youth this summer!

This is a great time to come and discover the amazing and exciting martial art of capoeira, meet new friends, make music and art, discover fossils, tour fire trucks and ambulances, get wet and do crazy jumps into the pool!

Learn acrobatics, music, rhythm, drumming, martial arts! Be challenged, inspired, motivated and ready for action! We practice capoeira every morning and get out for all kinds of fun activities in the afternoons including **POOL TIME!!!!**

We even have a **FAMILY CAMP** this August where we will train capoeira basics and focus a lot on percussion and music!!!

Located right downtown Courtenay, we are within walking distance of all of our activities so come join us and stay active all summer.

Ages 5 - 12 10am - 3pm

www.capoeiracomox.com

See the attached posters

Communicating absences or end of day plan changes

It is important to include this email address: Hornby.island@sd71.bc.ca when communicating with the school about student absences, or end of day plans, or any other messages that need to be attended to quickly. Any Admin. Assistant who is at the desk, will check this email.

If you are making bus changes for the end of the day, please also include

Florette.maclean@sd71.bc.ca

AM'LALA SA KUMUXSE'

<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/indigenous-education/a%cc%b1mlala-sa->

<k%cc%b1%cc%93umux%cc%b1se/>

Am'lala sa K'umuxse' was created in July 2018 for Indigenous Education (School District 71) to be sung by all students to celebrate Kwakwaka'wakw culture and language. Am'lala sa K'umuxse' translates as 'Play Song of the K'omoux' and speaks to the great land "ila a hii" and the powerful ocean and rivers "skoo kum chuck" that are here within the lands of the K'omoux. The song was released into our School District in a ceremony held during a Professional Development Day on February 15, 2019.

Methods of Communication

At Hornby Island Community School, we know that communication between school and home is of great importance to a child's success at school. School staff share information frequently through the following pathways:

Monthly School Calendar Update: shows upcoming events and celebrates past successes and student recognition. The calendar is updated in weekly notices and posted on our school website.

Weekly Newsletter: sent out by email every Thursday to parents and staff. We also post the notice on our school website. Please be sure to check your email every Thursday to keep informed about important events and announcements.

Student Planners: classroom teachers and EA's support students in recording important information daily.

Allergy/Health Alerts

Please be aware we have students with allergies/sensitivities to specific foods. Students are not to share their lunches with others.

HICS is scent free. For the comfort of all, please refrain from wearing perfumes and oils in our school building.

Use of School Facilities

Priority for school facility bookings outside of school hours are given to those organizations providing programming to children/youth. Our Gymnasium and Raven Room spaces can be booked by community groups. These bookings will now be made online through the SD71 website. Please book far in advance. Call the school for more information.

We are looking forward to a great year of learning together with you!

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any comments, questions, suggestions, or concerns you may have.

School District #71 Emergency Plans

First Aid Attendants onsite are Charmaine Logan and Florette Maclean.

Please familiarize yourself with our school district's emergency plans so you know what to expect if we are faced with an issue. <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/SchoolEmergencyProgramFeb2020.pdf>

School Closures, Power Outages, Ferry Cancellations

Our procedures for power outages and ferry cancellations may affect regular operations of our school. If the power is out before school starts, the Principal/Vice Principal will contact the School District to decide on closing the school. If the school is to be closed, we will begin the emergency phone tree callouts. **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.**

If there is an issue with our generator, 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 callouts happen early in the morning.

If there are power outages, we may not get through to your phone line so please be sure to listen to the local radio stations at 97.3 The Eagle and/or 98.9 The Goat. If you can, check the School District website for notices on school closures at:

<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/>. Closures are usually announced by 6:30 AM.

Please note that the 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 school year, please notify the school as soon as possible so we can update our system.