



| Monday, Feb. 19 | Tuesday, Feb. 20 | Wed., Feb. 21 | Thursday, Feb. 22 |
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| NO SCHOOL Family Day | Soup and Salad Kate (LST) Margot (School Counsellor) | Hot Lunch Burritos Basketball game at Airport Elementary Vanier students Raven Room | Hot Lunch Sandwiches Anthea (FA) Pre-school Storytime 10:45am |

Note from Judi...

A lot was happening in the school this week. It started off on Monday with special guest, Nevenke Fair who spent the day meeting with parents, students and staff to brainstorm a vision for what Grade 8 could look like on Hornby next year. On Tuesday, Kayla and Casey organized and facilitated a successful school-wide Jump Rope for Heart event. Students participated in a variety of skipping stations to raise money for the Canadian Heart and Stroke Foundation and bring awareness to heart disease. Students raised a total of \$76! Valentine's Day was another exciting day for students! Everyone showed their school spirit by wearing red and pink clothing. Learning activities centered around kindness and special treats were had by all. The PAC Bake Sale Fundraiser at the Co-op was a huge success. All the goodies sold out and a total of \$840 was raised for field trips and other meaningful learning activities

that students will benefit from. Keep your eyes open for information about the School Spelling Bee coming up on March 5. Students in Grades 4-7 are eligible to participate in this event and may qualify for the District Spelling Bee on March 12. Family Day is on Monday. There will be no school that day. Enjoy the long weekend, everyone!

Pack-in, Pack-out

With sustainability at the top of our District's list of priorities, our school is committed to working towards litter-free lunches. On average, a school-age child with a disposable lunch generates approximately 30 kg (67 lbs) of waste per school year.....imagine what a whole school produces!

We ask that **whatever comes in your child's lunch bag goes home in their lunch bag**, including empty juice boxes and food wrappers. In this way, we will create far less garbage at school, and you will have a better idea of what your child is finishing for lunch. We encourage you to recycle and compost everything once it arrives home.

Student-Led Conferences

Save the Date: Wednesday, February 28th. Students will be dismissed at 12:00 to accommodate scheduled student-led conferences. More details about sign-up will be coming soon.

BASKETBALL GRADES 5-7!!

Event Information: The Basketball team is going off island for an away basketball game and will travel to Airport Elementary School in Courtenay for a game on Wednesday Feb.21st.

Student Group: Grades 5-7 who have been practicing with the team.

What to bring: Need to bring athletic clothing to change into for the game, proper footwear, snacks and a water bottle.

Students will eat hot lunch from 12-12:30pm at school before leaving. They will still need packed snacks for the trip.

Supervision: Britt Hanson and parent volunteers.

Transportation: The students will travel with volunteer drivers

Travel itinerary:

12:30am - Leave Hornby School in parent volunteer cars

1pm – Board the ferry – eat snacks on the ferry

2pm – arrive in Buckley Bay and drive to Airport Elementary School.

2:30pm-arrive at Airport Elementary School

4:15pm-leave Airport Elementary School and travel to Buckley Bay

5pm- board ferry to go back to Hornby Island

6pm-**PICK UP** your child at the Hornby school.

Kindergarten Registration 2024-25

Please remember to enroll your child in Kindergarten if you haven't done so yet. School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) will be enrolling Kindergarten students (Neighbourhood, French Immersion, Montessori, Indigenous, Fine Arts and eClasses) in District schools for attendance in September 2024. To be eligible for enrolment in September 2024, a student must turn five (5) years of age by December 31, 2024.

Each child's birth certificate and proof of address must be uploaded or presented at the time of registration. Care Cards will not be accepted as proof of birth, but we need the Care Card number on the registration form. A Passport or Landed Immigrant authorization are suitable forms of documentation in lieu of birth certificates.

There is a form to be completed by any students self-identifying for Indigenous ancestry.



Registration Process

Parents are asked to register their children at their current neighbourhood catchment school using the online registration located on our website www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration starting Tuesday, January 23, 2024.

Our classes are 4 full-day multi-age programs. Parents are asked to register their children by February 15, 2024. Please register as soon as possible to help with planning for next year eg. class formation, staffing etc.

Save the date for the next Grade 5/6/7 movie night on Tuesday, Feb. 27th
More info soon

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR:

MONDAY MUFFINS Contact Laila lailabudd@gmail.com

HOT LUNCHES (Wednesdays) Contact Braea braeawalmsley@hotmail.com
(Thursdays) Contact Britt britt.hanson@sd71.bc.ca

Next PAC Meeting
March 12, 2024, at 3:45pm

Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities

Everyone Welcome! Upcoming Training: January 17, January 23, February 7, February 28
<https://pages.saferschoolstogether.com/erase-family-session>



Child, Youth and Community School Programs

Contact: Jade Wilson, CYCSP Coordinator

hies.childyouth@gmail.com

Typos on our program Calendar. Please see attached the correct calendar. There will also be some paper copies at the school for you to grab if you need an updated one.

Please note:

Crafternoons for grades K-3 are Tuesdays Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 5, 12 3:35-4:35pm

Crafternoons for grades 4-7 are Thursdays Feb.22, 29, Mar.7, 14. 3:35-4:45pm

Soccer-our last soccer session for grades K-2 is Monday Feb.12th. 3:35-4:25pm

Minor games make up session will be Feb.28th and March 6th. 3:35-4:35pm @ the school gym

We are now planning our Spring session for afterschool programs. If there is something you would like to offer or like to see happen, please reach out!

Contact: hies.childyouth@gmail.com

The Government of BC has established a new Mental Health Crisis and Suicide Prevention help line.

The [9-8-8 Suicide Crisis Helpline](#) is a new service available 24/7/365 to help Canadians when they need it most. The service, accessible via call or text to 9-8-8, offers trauma-informed and culturally affirming support to anyone who is thinking of suicide or who is worried about someone they know. This service is also available in the “Take Action” section of the [erase Mental Health and Well-being web page](#).

Please check out this link for more information:

<https://blog.gov.bc.ca/ecc-dm-bulletin/article/suicide-crisis-helpline/>

**Please find any operational information on the
Hornby Island Community School website**

<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/hornby-island-community-school/>
or in the Student Handbook