

## Miracle Beach Elementary School Week-at-a-Glance

January 16	January 17	January 18	January 19	January 20
Yard Clean Up – Ms. Nesbitt’s Class	Yard Clean Up – Ms. Nesbitt’s Class  Recycling - Leadership  Noon - Seventh Generation Club  2:45 – Staff Meeting	Yard Clean Up – Ms. Nesbitt’s Class  Gr. 6/7 Girls Basketball Game @ Puntledge Park Elementary  Gr. 6/7 Boys Basketball Game @ Home vs Royston Elementary  Noon – Choir	Yard Clean Up – Ms. Nesbitt’s Class  8:00 – SBT  Noon- Leadership  Hot Lunch Order Deadline	Yard Clean Up – Ms. Nesbitt’s Class  Hot Lunch
January 23	January 24	January 25	January 26	January 27
Yard Clean Up – Ms. Berg’s Class  Literacy Week  Fruit Delivery	Yard Clean Up – Ms. Berg’s Class  Literacy Week  Noon - Seventh Generation Club	Yard Clean Up – Ms. Berg’s Class  Literacy Week  Vanier Volunteers  Gr. 6/7 Girls Basketball Game @ Home vs Royston Elementary  Gr. 6/7 Boys Basketball Game @ Airport Elementary  Noon – Choir	Yard Clean Up – Ms. Berg’s Class  Literacy Week – Deadline for book swap  8:00 – SBT  Noon- Leadership	Yard Clean Up – Ms. Berg’s Class  Literacy Week – Full school read  Hot Lunch

### Upcoming dates to note:

- **February 17<sup>th</sup> – Pro-D**

Hello Miracle Beach Families,

A huge THANK YOU to Ms. Fullerton for looking after the school. I look forward to returning on Monday 😊

Here are this week’s information items. New items are in **Yellow**.

#### ➤ **Kindergarten Registration – Opens January 16th**

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](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration) starting Monday January 16, 2023.

To determine your neighbourhood catchment school, please visit our district website at, click on “Schools” and go to “Schools Locator”.

If you live in an area where busing is provided, please complete a Bus Transportation Registration Form which is located at <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-transportation>.

Please see the attachment below for more details.

➤ **Literacy Week** - Family Literacy week is approaching soon!

Family Literacy Week takes place every January 23-27th, with Family Literacy Day being on the 27th, to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy related activities as a family. Please see information flyer below for more details.

➤ **Hot Lunch** – The third hot lunch menu of the year is ready for online ordering.

Orders can be placed here: [mbpac.hotlunches.net](http://mbpac.hotlunches.net)

For those of you who are new to the school, the Miracle Beach PAC does a weekly hot lunch program every Friday. All orders and accounts are done online. There is an ordering timeframe (see below) as to when online orders may be placed. All orders must be placed before the cut-off date, for all hot lunch days in this menu set.

This menu set, *Winter 1 - 2023 Hot Lunch*, includes hot lunch every Friday from January 20th to Feb.10th, 2023. **Ordering for this menu set will start today, and is open until January 19th. Ordering will be available until this date, however, the hot lunch for that week (Panago pizza) will only be available in limited quantities after Monday, January 16th at noon.**

Payment methods that will be accepted this year are: Paypal or E-transfer only. **No cash or cheques please!**

If paying by E-transfer, please send the money to: [miraclebeachpac@gmail.com](mailto:miraclebeachpac@gmail.com) **Please make sure to note your child's name in the comments section, or we will have no record of payment for that child's order.** If paying by paypal, you can pay through your paypal account, or as a guest. **Please note: the school email address is very similar - please do not send to the school email address!!**

All proceeds go towards the Miracle Beach PAC, which supports the school and kids activities. Thanks so much for supporting this fundraiser.

➤ **Kidz Club** - We have up to 10 spot available for afterschool care at Kidz Club located in Miracle Beach School. Operating from 2:30-6pm on school days and Pro D days.

We are located in the school, kids come straight from class to Kidz Club, and can stay until 6 pm.

Registration packages are available at the school. Please contact Sara O'Malley at [clubkidz2022@gmail.com](mailto:clubkidz2022@gmail.com) for more details.

Pictures







**Miracle Beach**



**Elementary**



# Join us for Family Literacy Week!

**Monday January 23-  
Friday January 27**

## **FAMILY READING CONTEST**

Parents, to enter this contest, simply snap a picture of your child reading with a family member and send in the photo, along with their name and class before Friday the 27th to [meghan.grzeslo@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:meghan.grzeslo@sd71.bc.ca), to be entered into a draw for a prize! Winners will be announced on Friday, January 27th



## **LUNCHTIME STORYTIME IN THE LIBRARY**

Every day at lunchtime (12:10-12:30), a guest will be reading a story in the library. All students who are interested are welcome to come and enjoy!

## STORYTIME WITH A COMMUNITY HELPER

We will have guest readers coming to classrooms this week! Some classes will receive special visits from a community member who would like to share a story.



## SCHOOL WIDE DROP- EVERYTHING-AND-READ

On Friday Jan 27th, for 20 minutes after lunch, ALL students and staff will be reading!

## FREE BOOK SWAP

If possible, please bring in one book (either a picture book, an early chapter book or a Novel appropriate for grades 5-7) to school by Thursday to the library.

On Friday, all students will have the chance to choose a different book to bring home to keep and enjoy!



**Registration for Kindergarten for 2023/2024 School Year  
Important information for School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) Families**



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 2023. To be eligible for enrolment in September 2023, a student must turn five (5) years of age by December 31, 2023. Each child's birth certificate and proof of address must be uploaded for registration. BC Services Cards will not be accepted as proof of birth however your child's BC Personal Health Number (PHN) is required on the registration form. A Passport or Landed Immigrant authorization are suitable forms of documentation in lieu of birth certificates.

**KINDERGARTEN CHOICES INFORMATION:**

For more information about Kindergarten Programs listed below, please check the posted information on the school district website:

- Neighbourhood (the Kindergarten program in your catchment school);
- Early French Immersion (located at Ecole Puntledge Park and Ecole Robb Road);
- Indigenous (Located at Ecole Puntledge Park);
- Montessori (located at Queneesh and Courtenay Elementary);
- Navigate (NIDES) Compass Program;
- Navigate (NIDES) Fine Arts eCademy (FAe).

**Kindergarten Registration**

All Kindergarten classes are full-day programs. The following choices are available for Kindergarten Registration.

**Neighbourhood School:**

Parents are asked to register their children at their current neighbourhood catchment school using the online registration located on our website [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/kindergarten-registration](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/kindergarten-registration) starting **Monday, January 16, 2023**. While most, if not all, students living in a school's local catchment will be accommodated at that school, they cannot be guaranteed placement in the catchment area school and may be required to go to the nearest school having space available. To determine your neighbourhood catchment school, please visit our district website at, click on "Schools" and go to "Schools Locator". If you live in an area where busing is provided, please complete a Bus Transportation Registration Form which is located at <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-transportation>. All students travelling on School District No. 71 school buses must carry a bus pass.

**Early French Immersion, Montessori and Indigenous:**

- Online Registration opens **Tuesday, January 10 at 6:00 p.m.** If you are interested in Early French Immersion (Ecole Robb Road or Ecole Puntledge Park) or the Montessori program (Queneesh or Courtenay Elementary) or the Indigenous program (Ecole Puntledge Park) complete the expression of interest form for your program of choice on the SD71 registration page [www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/kindergarten-registration](http://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/kindergarten-registration). Placements into choice programs are on a first come, first serve basis in the order received. Siblings of current students in the programs will have priority, as long as they are registered before Friday, January 13 2023.
- The indicated school of choice will contact you and provide directions about confirmation or wait listing for placement. Follow their directions on how to register your child for Kindergarten.
- **Montessori Information Session at Courtenay Elementary Monday, January 9 at 6:30 p.m.**

**NAVIGATE (NIDES) COMPASS PROGRAM KINDERGARTEN: ALL REGISTRATION IS COMPLETED ONLINE AT:**

[www.navigatenides.com](http://www.navigatenides.com)

Registration for all students for the Navigate (NIDES) Compass Program is completed online and the registration form will be active on **Wednesday February 1, 2023**. Inquiries for this program can be forwarded to Vice Principal, Meghan McMillen at [meghan.mcmillen@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:meghan.mcmillen@sd71.bc.ca)

**NAVIGATE (NIDES) FINE ARTS ECADEMY (FAe) KINDERGARTEN: ALL REGISTRATION IS COMPLETED ONLINE AT:**

[www.navigatenides.com](http://www.navigatenides.com)

Registration for all students for the Fine Arts eCademy (FAe) Kindergarten at Navigate (NIDES) is completed online and the registration form will be active on **February 1, 2023**. Program entry is based on a lottery system, not first come first serve. Inquiries about this program can be forwarded to Vice Principal, Meghan McMillen at [meghan.mcmillen@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:meghan.mcmillen@sd71.bc.ca)

***There will be an open house at the Tsolum Campus on January 27th from 9:00 – 11:00 am for both COMPASS and FAe Programs.***

For questions about Kindergarten in School District 71, please see the FAQ's on the district website -- contact the individual school -- or email [kindergartenreg@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:kindergartenreg@sd71.bc.ca).

SD71 DPAC & COMOX VALLEY CDTA PRESENT:

Sharing Cultural Perspectives:

# WHERE PATHS MEET

A Special Presentation with  
Hereditary Chief Wedlidi Speck  
and Dr. Jesse Morin

Born and raised in Alert Bay, B.C., Wedlidi Speck is a member of Namgis First Nation. His cultural connections are Kwakwaka'wakw, Nuuchanulth, and North Vancouver Island Coast Salish. Wedlidi is the head chief of the Gixsam of the Kwagul and is chief of one of the five E'iksan clans. He is a story keeper and name-keeper for his Gixsam and E'iksan families. As a chief and spiritual leader, Wedlidi is recognized for his knowledge of traditional protocols, history and indigenous relational practices for his cultural families.

Jesse Morin is a practicing archaeologist and adjunct professor at SFU Archaeology and UBC Institute for Oceans and Fisheries. He works for Tsleil-Waututh Nation, Takla Nation, and K'ómoks First Nation and is a specialist on stone tools and the Coast Salish region. Jesse has worked for K'ómoks since 2014 on a variety of ethnohistoric and archaeological research projects and is currently helping KFN with repatriation and management of cultural heritage resources.

**February 16th, 2023**

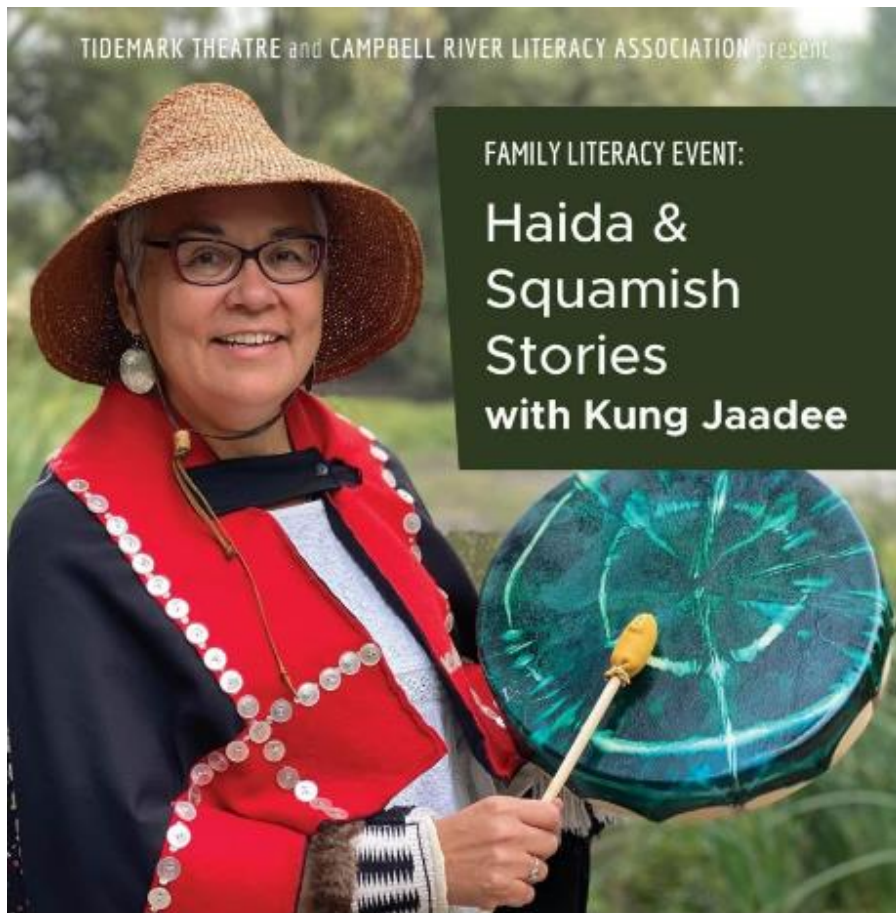
**7pm - 8:30pm**

**Vanier Secondary School Multi-Purpose room**

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TIDEMARK THEATRE and CAMPBELL RIVER LITERACY ASSOCIATION present




FAMILY LITERACY EVENT:  
**Haida & Squamish Stories**  
 with Kung Jaadee

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2023 | 1PM

**TIDEMARK THEATRE**  
 1220 SHOPPERS ROW | CAMPBELL RIVER, BC | V9W 2C8

FREE | IN-PERSON AND LIVE STREAM TICKETS AVAILABLE  
 Live stream via Facebook Live or [tidemarktheatre.com](http://tidemarktheatre.com)

**RESERVE TICKETS:** [TIDEMARKTHEATRE.COM](http://TIDEMARKTHEATRE.COM)  
 250.287.PINK



Feel free to email me at [zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca) if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully,

**Zale Darnel**  
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