



VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Valley View Family Newsletter January 10th, 2025

Dear Valley View Families,

Happy New Year to all of you.

We kindly remind everyone of the importance of keeping handicapped parking spots clear for parents and caregivers who need them. These spaces are essential for ensuring the safety and accessibility of those with mobility challenges.

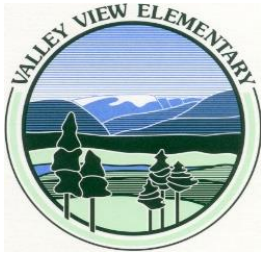
We ask for your cooperation in:

- Avoiding parking in these spots unless you have the appropriate permit.
- Being mindful of the area around these spaces to ensure they remain accessible.
- Remaining patient as we wait to move through the parking loop.

Thank you for your understanding and support in making our school a welcoming and inclusive environment for everyone.

Here are a few items for your consideration for the next two weeks in January:

Mon, Jan 13	Fire drill – weather permitting Grade 6/7 girls basketball practice 11:45-12:10 Grade 6 boys basketball practice 2:30-3:30
Tue, Jan 14	Leadership club Boys Grade 7 basketball practice 2:30-3:30
Wed, Jan 15	Chess club Boys Grade 7 basketball practice 2:30-3:30
Thurs, Jan 16	Soup & bun for all Gr. 6/7 Open gym for basketball lunch recess
Fri, Jan 17	No hot lunch Grade 6 boys basketball practice until 3:30



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Mon, Jan 20	<p>Tropical shirt day</p> <p>Grade 4 Symphony concert outing 9:00 – 11am</p> <p>Gr 6/7 Girls Basketball practice lunch recess</p> <p>Grade 6 boys basketball game at Valley View until 4:00</p>
Tue, Jan 21	<p>Leadership club</p> <p>PAC meeting in library at 6:30 – all are welcome</p>
Wed, Jan 22	<p>Chess club</p> <p>Hot lunch ordering closes</p> <p>Grade 7 boys BB game at Miracle Beach and Grade 6/7 girls BB game at VV</p>
Thurs, Jan 23	<p>Soup & bun for all</p> <p>Grade 6/7 Open gym for basketball lunch recess</p>
Fri, Jan 24	<p>No hot lunch</p>

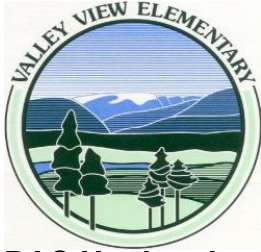
Coming up:

Literacy week – fun activities lined up for January 27-31 (see attachments to this email)

Kindergarten registration for the 2025-2026 school year:

Valley View School:

- Registration Opens: **Tuesday, January 21 at 6 p.m.**
- How to Register: Online at www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration
- Details: Parents should register their children through the website above for their current neighbourhood catchment school. While most students will be accommodated at their local school, placement cannot be guaranteed and may require attending the nearest school with available space. For other programs, please consult the SD71 website.
<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/>



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PAC Hot lunch update:

We have opened hot lunch for 2025! The first day for hot lunch will be January 31, and the ordering system is open for January 31/February.

Deadline to order is Wednesday, January 22, 2025.

We are always looking for parent help with getting the food out to the kids, so if you are able to volunteer on any hot lunch Friday from 11:00-12:15 please tick the box on the ordering form (shows up just under the order) as this will help us organize and schedule volunteers.

<https://valleyviewpac.hotlunches.net>

District News:

ENTER Program Registration and Open House

Registration for ENTER and ENTER 2 will open on Feb. 1st and close on Feb. 28th.

There will also be an open house for ENTER at Aspen Park where families can attend to find out more info on the program, see the classroom space and ask any questions they might have on **Wednesday, Feb. 5th at 6 pm at Aspen Park.**

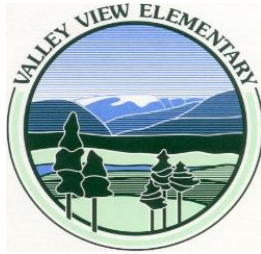
What is ENTER? The eCademy of New Technology, Engineering and Robotics (**ENTER**) is a fast-paced, hands-on learning environment with a focus on how things work. You can learn more

here: <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/enter-programs/>

If you have questions contact:

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Community News:



Community

A Free 10 Week Program to Inspire Healthier BC Families in Courtenay!

Learn together about:

- Healthy Eating
- Physical Activity
- Screen time
- Sleep Routines
- Wellness



For families with at least one child ages 8-12
(One parent/caregiver must attend each week)

Online self-directed option is available for families outside of the age range

Program includes:

- Q&A's with health professionals
- A family cooking class
- Post program recreation credit based on attendance

Lewis Recreation Centre - Courtenay
Thursdays 6:00-8:00pm
February 6 - April 24, 2025
Generation Health Community funding is provided by the BC Ministry of Health

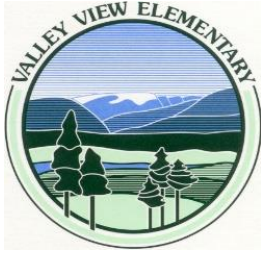


Scan QR Code or
[Click Here to Register and Learn More](#)



generationhealth.ca/community

*All families who attend 8 of the 10 dates will receive a \$150 gift card to use on programs at Courtenay Recreation.



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Community Sports:

Ringette has a January - March beginner program starting soon for kids under 8 or brand new skaters. At only \$6.50/ice time (\$130) This is a fabulous way for your kids to learn how to skate, play a team sport and meet some friends for life. The ringette community is supportive and our ice times are family friendly... after school on Tuesdays and Sundays at 11:45am.

More information and registration can be found here:

www.comoxvalleyringette.com

Wishing you a pleasant weekend,

Michelle Mowbray - Principal – Valley View Elementary

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