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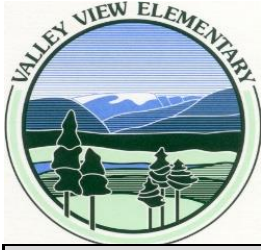
Valley View Family Newsletter January 17th, 2025

Dear Valley View Families,

Div 10 students along with Ms Lehton have raised funds to sponsor a FREE family skate on Saturday, January 25th at the Vanier arena #2. Entry and rentals are **free**. Stars on Ice! Dress like a movie star. Receive free popcorn on your way out. See the attached ad. You may consider bringing your own bike or hockey helmet. Hope to see you there!

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

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| <p>Mon, Jan 20</p> | <p>Tropical shirt day or wear bright colours 😊</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> |
| <p>Tue, Jan 21</p> | <p>Salad bar for the green pod (Grady, Zimmer, Wheeler, Wulff, Fowler)</p> <p>Asian-Inspired Salad Bar including: lettuce/spinach, cabbage, cucumbers, sweet peppers, edamame, pulled pork, smoked salmon, baked tofu, crispy onions, mandarine oranges and creamy sesame dressing</p> <p>PAC meeting in library at 6:30 – all are welcome</p> |
| <p>Wed, Jan 22</p> | <p>Chess club</p> <p>Hot lunch ordering closes</p> <p>Grade 7 boys (Team Dugas) BB game at Miracle Beach and Grade 6/7 girls BB team 1 at Valley View against Huband</p> <p>Open gym for basketball lunch recess at VV</p> |



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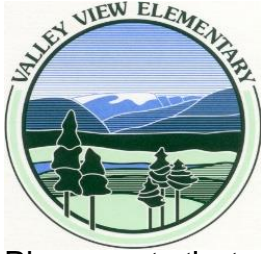
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| Thurs, Jan 23 | Soup & bun for all (Japanese Miso soup) Girls 6/7 practice at lunch recess and after school until 3:30 |
| Fri, Jan 24 | No hot lunch |

Literacy week!

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| Mon, Jan 27 | Gr 6/7 Girls Basketball practice lunch recess Grade 6 boys practice until 3:30 |
| Tue, Jan 28 | Salad bar for the red pod (Montess, Carmicheal, Strain, Davidge, Custer, Bridges) |
| Wed, Jan 29 | Chess club Grade 7 boys BB (Team Scott) game at Valley View and Grade 6/7 girls BB game at Airport Grade 6/7 Open gym for basketball lunch recess |
| Thurs, Jan 30 | Soup & bun for all (Alphabet Veggie Soup) 6-7 pm Books at Bedtime family event– See attached schedule Gr 6/7 girls practice lunch recess and after school until 3:30 |
| Fri, Jan 31 | Hot lunch – QF Leadership club MPR – 11:45 Pyjamas and D.E.A.R. day (Drop Everything And Read) |

School reminder:

Before and after school: Please remember that our supervision in the morning begins at 8:25 unless students are attending the breakfast program which begins at 8:15.



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Please note that supervision ends at **2:45** at the end of the day and it is expected that students head home, are picked up or are supervised by their parents/caregivers. Thank you.

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/>

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.**

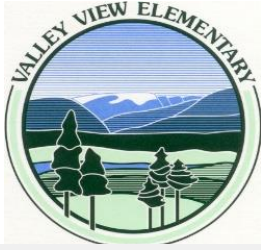
We are always looking for parent help with getting the food out to the kids, so if you are able to volunteer on any hot lunch Friday from 11:00-12:15 please tick the box on the ordering form (shows up just under the order) as this will help us organize and schedule volunteers.

<https://valleyviewpac.hotlunches.net>

District News:

Exciting New Primary Learning Community coming to Airport Elementary School

Comox Valley Schools is excited to announce the launch of an innovative educational program at Airport Elementary School called the **Primary Learning Community (K-3)** for the 2025-2026 school year. This new dynamic program offers a unique blended learning experience that integrates school, place, and home-based environments to foster holistic development in young learners. The program is open to learners from throughout the district and offers several unique features for participating students. You



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can learn more here: <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Airport-Elementary-Primary-Learning-Community.pdf>

Information Session & Enrollment Details:

Families interested in this exciting new program are encouraged to join the **Information Zoom Session** on **Wednesday, January 29, from 7:00–8:00 p.m.** To attend, please register using [this link](#). The Zoom link will be emailed the day before the session.

The **Expression of Interest** to participate in the program will be open from **Tuesday, February 4th to Friday, February 7.**

ENTER Program Registration and Open House

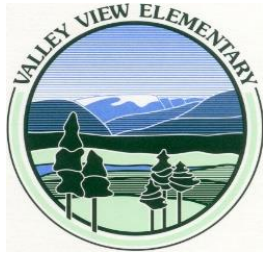
Registration for ENTER and ENTER 2 will open on Feb. 1st and close on Feb. 28th.

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? (Grades 6-7) 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



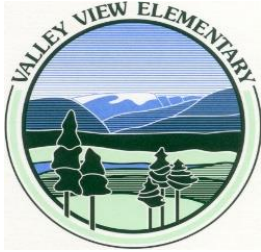
Scan QR Code or
[Click Here to Register and Learn More](#)



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.

Wishing you a pleasant weekend,



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