



Ravens Rock!

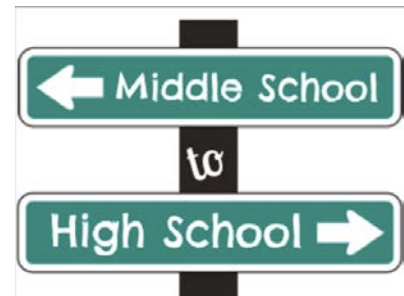
May 4, 2018

Monday, May 7		
Tuesday, May 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pizza Sales \$2.50 per slice ● Completion Club ● Choir - Renaissance Seniors' Residence ● PAC Meeting 	2:50 to 3:30pm 1:30pm 7:00pm
Wed., May 9	● Completion Club	2:50 to 3:30pm
Thursday, May 10	● Completion Club	2:50 to 3:30pm
Friday, May 11	● Jazz Band at Save-on Foods	

● **Events in red are weekly**

Upcoming Events

- May 12 Intermediate Band in Buccaneers' Day Parade
- May 16 Club Time Afternoon
- May 17-18 Beginning Band Retreat in Nanaimo
- May 17 District Transition Afternoon
- May 18 District Pro-D Day - No School for Students
- May 21 Victoria Day - No School
- May 25 Class Photo Day & Hat Day



High School Transition Afternoon

Esquimalt High School is thrilled to host our future Dockers on the May 17th District Transition Afternoon. Grade 8 students will meet in the theatre at 1:00pm, learn about their future school and enjoy some fun. Students will be dismissed from Esquimalt at 3:00pm. (Jason Johnson, Vice-Principal, École Secondaire Esquimalt High School 250-382-9226)

All Other High Schools:

Messages will go home individually about the high school transition activities.

Student Dress Code

The Greater Victoria School District Board of Education has recently adopted a Student Dress Code. A copy of the policy and regulation (5132) can be found on the District's website have been attached to this newsletter.

At Rockheights, we will be communicating the SD61 Student Dress Code to our staff, families and students over the next week at our staff meeting, PAC meeting and monthly assembly.

In June, we will be aligning the language about dress code in our Rockheights Code of Conduct with the SD61 policy and regulation language. If you have any questions, please contact the Principal at mtrofimuk@sd61.bc.ca

Club Time Afternoon – May 16th

On Wednesday, May 16th we will hold our final Club Day afternoon of the year. Our theme is Community Connections. Students will be choosing their clubs and notices will be coming home next week. Please note some clubs include a small cost or public transit. No child will be denied a club due to cost.

We are excited to offer the following clubs:

- * Billiards at Peacock Billiards
- * Flying Squirrel
- * Highrock Nature Walk and Sketch
- * Legislature Tour
- * Military Ship Tour
- * Neighbourhood Bike Tour
- * Outdoor Sports at Esquimalt Rec
- * Police Station Tour
- * Rocks of Kindness
- * Spreading Positive Messages in our Neighbourhood
- * Volunteering at Compassionate Warehouse
- * YMCA Fitness Fun



If your youth has signed up for a club that is beyond the neighbourhood, a letter will be given to your youth to bring home to inform you of the destination, time and any further details.

Invitation to Esquimalt PAC AGM

Parents who have children moving to Esquimalt High next year are invited to the EHS PAC AGM.

Wednesday May 16th at 6:30 pm in the lower cafeteria

Information about the PAC can be found on FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/EsqPAC/>

If you are planning to attend please register on Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/esquimalt-high-school-pac-agm-tickets-45282609504>



ESQUIMALT PAC AGM AGENDA

Opening talk: "The Return to High School (as a parent)"

Refreshments

Mandatory business / PAC elections

Closing discussion: "Every Student, Every Class, Every Day"

Music Trip to Vancouver

The Spring Vancouver Music Trip was a ton of fun and the students performed well. They were all very respectful and professional - well done!

A big thank you to Mrs. Kelly for organizing this wonderful annual event!!! And a big thank you to Mrs. Batchelor, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Halsall, Mrs. Murphy & Mrs. O'Neill for helping to make sure our students had a successful trip.

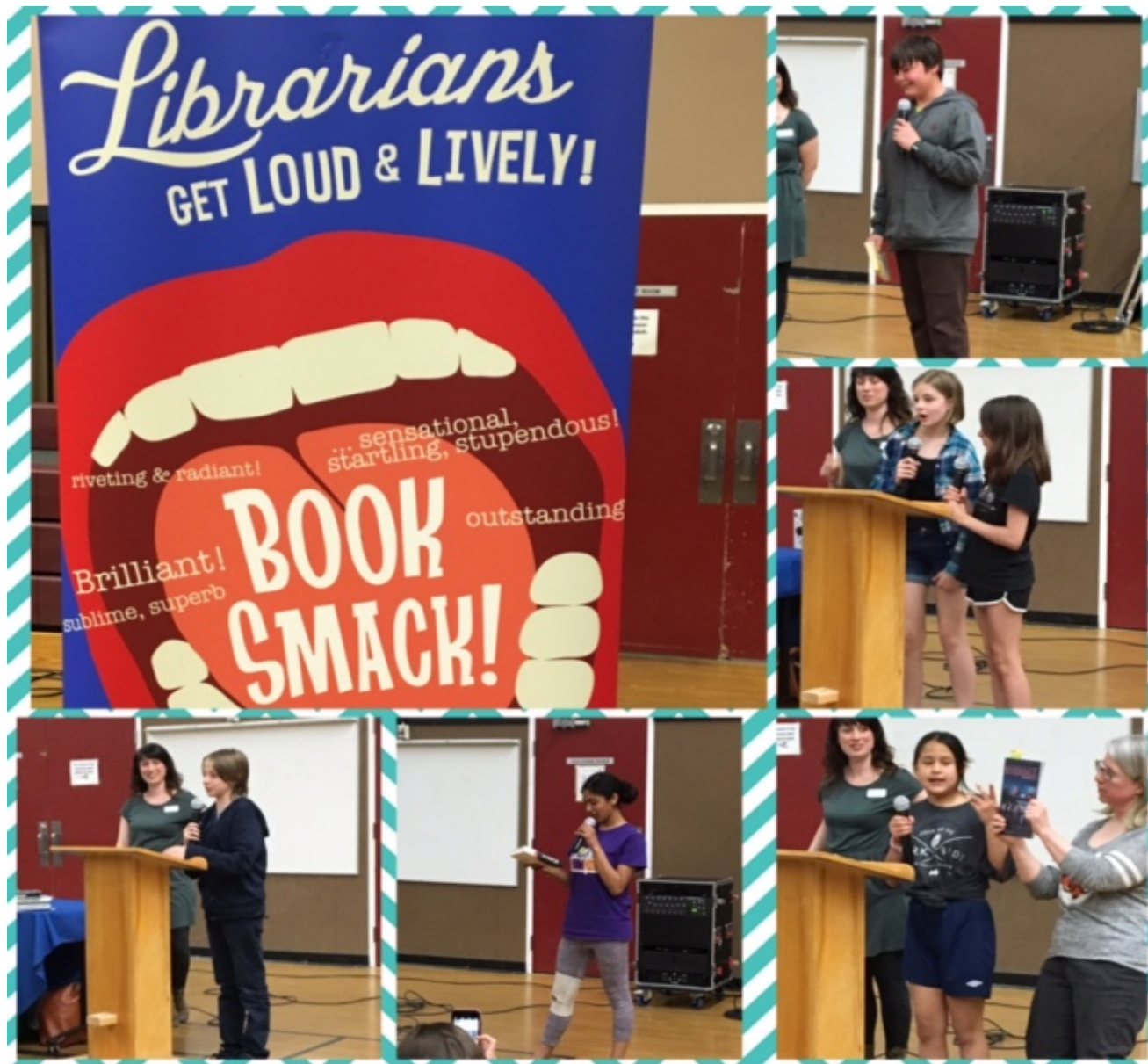


The Intermediate Band had a great time at the Victoria Performing Arts Festival in April.



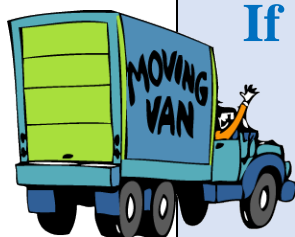
Book Smack Presentation

On Thursday, May 3rd a group of librarians from the Esquimalt Public Library brought a lively Book Smack presentation to Rockheights. Lots of novels were shared through fun, competitive book talks. Even our students got into the event as they shared their favourite reads. Just another way we're building out reading community at The Rock!



Grade 6 & 7 Students

**If you haven't done so already,
please advise the office to
let us know if you are
moving & not attending
Rockheights in September.**



Music in the Air, Music Everywhere!

Students host pop-up concert series across Greater Victoria to celebrate diversity in music
VICTORIA, BC – More than 1,500 music students in the Greater Victoria School District will be performing in concerts across the region from May 6-16th, 2018. Students and their instruments will be popping up in city squares, parks, senior residences and shopping centres to sing and play for the community.

This is part of an 11-day concert series called, “Music in the Air/ Music Everywhere”. Elementary, middle and secondary students in music programs are participating to raise awareness of, and engagement with, Greater Victoria School District’s music programs.

“This is a great opportunity for community members to engage in our music programs collectively”, noted Board Chair Edith Loring-Kuhanga. “Over the years, school music programs have played a significant role in student learning while promoting musical competence across the District. Now, students can showcase their talents to the broader community through a shared musical experience.” More than 30 student performances will happen during the festival. The concert series will feature choirs, string quartets, orchestras, ukulele ensembles, drum circles, concert bands and marching bands.

Concert Schedule Highlights:

- **Beacon Hill Park** – May 6, 2018, at 1:30 p.m.
- **Centennial Square** – May 9, 2018, at 2:00 p.m.
- **Willows Park** – May 11, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.
- **Buccaneer Days Parade** – May 12, 2018, at 10 a.m.
- **Ship Point** – May 12, 2018, at 10:45 a.m.
- **Ship Point** – May 13, 2018, at 11:30 a.m.
- **University of Victoria** – May 15, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.
- **Songhees Wellness Centre** – May 16, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.
- **Senior Residence performances** – May 7-16, 2018



For more information on all performance details please visit: www.sd61.bc.ca

Music in the Air, Music Everywhere is supported by the Cooper Smith Music Library (CSML). The Cooper Smith Music Library Collection holds over 9,000 sets of choral works, vocal and instrumental jazz charts, musicals, string orchestra selections, and pedagogical resources for ukulele, recorder, general music at all levels, conducting, music theory, world music, and music history. It also houses a large inventory of instruments for rent and a recording studio.

The CSML is supported by the Administration and Board of Education of the Greater Victoria School District. The library opened in 2003 and has expanded steadily over the years. It was formally named after its founders, Eileen Cooper and Bonnie Smith, in the fall of 2013.

This will be the last year Eileen Cooper and Bonnie Smith will oversee the library. The pair were part of the first music steering committee in 1981, which held the District’s first music festival.

