



# *From the Raven's Nest...*

for Friday, March 1, 2024

## "March"-ing along...

Well it is hard to believe that we are almost two thirds of the way through the school year and that Learning Updates and Spring Break are only a couple of weeks away. Once again we will be posting a Learning Update on how your child has been progressing through the year. This is a snapshot of what they have demonstrated thus far in terms of proficiency along with some goals and areas for growth for the next term. Learning Update comments still focus on: 1) What your child can do, 2) What your child is still developing in, and 3) Ways to support your child moving onto the rest of the school year. On Friday March 8<sup>th</sup>, the second Learning Updates (formerly known as Report Cards) will be posted on Parent Connect (<https://parentconnect.sd61.bc.ca/>). This is the same system as we used in December and hopefully you were able to access your child's update. If you have concerns about this or were not able to access your child's update, please email me directly at [amaxwell@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:amaxwell@sd61.bc.ca)

Taking the time to discuss the comments will maintain a focus on your child's "strengths and stretches" in their learning and help identify areas of focus for the rest of the year. As always, if you have any questions or need any clarification, please connect with your child's Advisory teacher. We hope that there are not any surprises on these reports but rather that they provide an opportunity to reinforce what you know about your child's progress.

## What's happening next week at Rockheights:

### Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> -

- 7pm-8pm Parent Information night at Esquimalt High School

### Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

- Pizza sales today!- Preorder using [www.schoolcashionline.com](http://www.schoolcashionline.com)
- Grade 8 Course Selection at the school

### Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>

- 8:15-8:35 Indigenous Drumming in the foyer
- Noon - Rainbow Ravens meet in the Art Room
- 1pm Lacrosse Demo for interested students
- 3pm-5pm Ravens Club in the Home Ec. Room

### Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>

- Div 11 to UVic for PHE program
- SUBWAY Day for those that pre-ordered
- Chess Club at lunch in the LLC

### Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

- Div 7/8/9 Swimming at Esquimalt Rec Centre
- Learning Updates available via Parent Connect

### Looking Further Ahead:

Tuesday Mar 12 – 6:30pm Parent Planning meeting for Grade 8 recognition ceremony in the library

Wednesday Mar 13 – Music Tour to the Elementary Schools

March 16- April 2 – Spring Break

Wednesday April 3 – First day back after the break



**Pizza reminder!** – If you are interested in ordering Pizza for your child please do so using SchoolCash Online **before Sunday at midnight.** All pizzas are on whole wheat crust and pre-orders are required.

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**ATTENTION GRADE 8 FAMILIES** – Next week is course selection week and you may have received information from Esquimalt High School about a parent information night next Monday March 4 from 7pm until 8pm in the theatre at Esquimalt High. There is also information on their school website at: <https://esquimaltcourses.sd61.bc.ca/> We will have representatives coming from Esquimalt, and Spectrum on Tuesday to help students with their course selection forms.

For more information about Spectrum High School please see their school website at:

<https://spectrum.sd61.bc.ca/programs-courses/course-forms-and-handbooks/>

For more information about Vic High then there is course information on their website at:

<https://vichigh.sd61.bc.ca/programs-courses/course-selection/>

**GRADE 8 RECOGNITION PLANNING MEETING** – there will be a planning meeting for the Grade 8 celebration on Tuesday March 12 at 6:30pm in the Library Learning Commons. We will be talking about the Recognition Ceremony and starting to plan the fun afternoon for the grade 8's to celebrate their transition to high school

We really appreciate the ongoing communication with families around any issues that arise. We know that as we get into the spring, students have increased energy and that can lead to them quite literally “bouncing off each other”. We try to include daily physical activity into our school routines and appreciate your support by sending healthy lunches and helping students with regular sleep patterns. It is amazing how much good nutrition and consistent 8-10 hours of sleep helps students be successful.

Sincerely, *Mr Maxwell and Ms. Singh*

- *Did your child play volleyball and is look for more opportunities to play?*  
**THERE IS A CAMP TOMORROW (March 2) FOR INTERESTED STUDENTS**
- *Are you looking for Spring Break activities for your child?*  
*Please check these out...*



**Dig Deep**  
Volleyball Development Camp

Hosted by our high performance U17 Girls Team, this 2-hour camp will introduce you to the fundamentals of volleyball. Come out and learn new skills while having as much fun as possible. This co-ed camp is open to youth aged 11-13. No prior volleyball experience is necessary.

**Saturday March 2, 2024**  
1:00pm-3:00pm or 3:00pm-5:00pm  
@ Pacific Christian School (Middle School gym)  
654 Agnes Street, Victoria BC

**Fees:**  
\$35/ person  
\*Payable by e-transfer, cash, or cheque on the day of camp

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If any questions email: [volleyvars@gmail.com](mailto:volleyvars@gmail.com)



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