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Mission Statement

Our school will provide a positive learning environment where every child is cared for and supported, as they become life-long learners and responsible citizens while learning in French and in English.

UPCOMING 2 WEEKS AT A GLANCE

lundi 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-Instructional Day – classes not in session
mardi 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Popcorn Day • Recess – Roots and Shoots (Grades 4 – 7) – Erin's Class • 11:00 a.m. – 1:40 p.m. – Divisions 4-5 Swimming • Hul'q'umi'num for kids at 1:00 p.m. • 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. – TC 10K Practice
mercredi 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recess – Grade 6-7 Girls' Soccer on the field • Hot Lunch
jeudi 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recess - Drama Club (Gr. 2) — Pod B • Recess – Grade 5 Girls' Soccer on the field
vendredi 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. School Wide Run/Walk (around the track so check in at classroom doors first for attendance, or sign in as usual and join class in the field if arriving late) • Recess – Rainbow Club (Grades 4-7)- Resource Room

lundi 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Updates due to office • Earth Day Assembly • Recess – Drawing Club (Grades K-3)
mardi 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Popcorn Day • Recess – Roots and Shoots (Grades 4 – 7) • Hul'q'umi'num for kids at 1:00 pm • TC10K Practice after school 2:30 – 3:30 pm
mercredi 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recess – Grade 6-7 Girls' Soccer on the field • 2 hour early dismissal – end of day bell at 12:15 p.m. • 6:30 p.m. – PAC Meeting
jeudi 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recess - Drama Club (Grade 2) – Pod B • Recess – Grade 5 Girls' Soccer on the field • 3:00 p.m. – staff hike at Cobble Hill Mountain
vendredi 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. School Wide Run/Walk (around the track so check in at classroom doors first for attendance, or sign in as usual and join class in the field if arriving late) • Recess – Rainbow Club

CONCOURS D'ART ORATOIRE – Grade 5 – 7:

This past Tuesday, April 9th our school hosted the district French Immersion Speech Arts Competition – Concours d'art oratoire. Each year students in Grades 5 – 7 write their constructive speeches and compete for the opportunity to be a finalist for the school district.

Each school (ÉCH and ÉMP) sends two students to participate at each grade to deliver their speeches in front of a gym full of students from both schools.

We would like to recognize the efforts of all the students who participated in Concours this year at ÉCH. Honourable mention to Reva Miller (Gr. 6), Chloe Aitken (Gr. 6), Analeigh Taylor (Gr. 6) and Katriona Wrightson (Gr. 5).

The following students were finalists from our school.

Grade 7: Sam Lesser, James Holloway, Phoenix Lopez (Francophone)

Grade 6: Ainsley McPherson and Nala Kotler

Grade 5: Reilly Boenadie

Sam Lesser (Grade 7 French Immersion) and Phoenix Lopez (Grade 7 Francophone) will be representing ÉCH at provincial finals on May 4, 2024, at SFU Campus, Surrey, BC.

DISTRICT CHESS TOURNAMENT

This week on Wednesday, students from École Cobble Hill went to George Bonner Elementary to compete in the annual School District 79 chess tournament. Congratulations to the following students for their work and achievement at the tournament:

- Reilly Boenadie, Vincent Greenslade, Quinn Mastromonaco, Willem Gray Postlethwaite, and Griffin deGoey for participation.
- Yasan Hutchins and Toby Fraser who placed first in their division!

And, many thanks to Stefano Mastromonaco who coached the team this year!

MATHEMATICA COMPETITION

Also on Wednesday, many students in Grades 3-7 participated in the annual Mathematica competition. Students completed the competition by answering questions online through the Mathematica website. We look forward to receiving the official results later in June. Congratulations on everyone's interest and effort with solving challenging math problems!

READING LINK CHALLENGE

We won! This week a team of grade 5 students from Ashley Goodwin's class competed against other local schools in the second round of this book trivia challenge and won! Bravo to these students: Robyn Parker, Jeanie Cox, Poppy Wong, Eden Gallagher, Ella Soloducha, Marley Ouellette, and Charlotte Slade. Round 3 will be coming soon where this team will compete against other teams from Vancouver Island. Good luck!

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH (CPF) – FREE MEMBERSHIP

All individual memberships are now free. Becoming a member of CPF allows access to resources and events for students and families. A CPF membership also supports:

- Learning and fostering a love of languages
- Belonging to a community that values the French language
- Community connection and making learning fun

Now more families can learn about CPF by getting the newsletter: [join CPF](#).

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

If you are inquiring about the Cowichan Valley School District Out of School Care program, please visit the program information on the district website at <https://sd79.bc.ca/programs/child-care-out-of-school-care/> which has general Out of School Care information, including fees, waitlist link - which is open year-round, parent handbook, calendar etc. and if you have further questions after going through this, the contact information for Kacey Milligan in the Out of School Care Office is under the Registration heading on the webpage."

April is Autism Awareness Month: We strive to foster support, understanding and acceptance for all students. We are an inclusive community that supports all our learners.

PARENT ADVISORY NEWS

NEXT PAC MEETING: Wednesday April 24th, 6:30PM

Among other things, we will be appointing an interim PAC Secretary to finish this year, and discussing the year-end picnic. Please get in touch if you have any concerns that should be added to the agenda.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS- Thursday June 20th 4:30-7:30PM

The bouncy castles are already booked for our annual Year-end Family Picnic! The month of June tends to fill up quickly, but this is always a popular event for the whole school family. If you are interested in helping plan or manage some of the details to help it run smoothly, please get in touch at ecolechpac@gmail.com

Would you like to be more involved at ÉCH?

Next year's PAC executive will be elected at our MAY PAC meeting (May 22, 8:30AM). All positions are elected every year, new faces are welcome!

Next year's PAC Budget will be set at the JUNE PAC meeting (June 12th 6:30PM).

COMMUNITY NEWS

Ministry of Education and Child Care - Training and Education Savings Grant



Children born from 2015-2018 may be eligible for a \$1,200 BC Training and Education Savings Grant into the RESP for the child. No money deposit is required, the RESP simply has to be opened. Please see the letter for details that can be sent home to parents/guardians. [Letter](#)

Brentwood College – Youth Summer Camps

Brentwood College's Youth Summer Camp's include musical theatre, rock band, climbing, debate, and music academy for strings & piano. [Website](#)



2023-2024 School Year Calendar

Non-Instructional Day (Pro-D)	Monday, April 15, 2024
2-hour Early Dismissal	Wednesday, April 24, 2023
Non-Instructional Day (Pro-D)	Friday, May 3, 2024
2-hour Early Dismissal (PLC)	Wednesday, May 15, 2024
Victoria Day	Monday, May 20, 2024
Last day of school for students	Thursday, June 27, 2024
Year-end Administrative Day	Friday, June 28, 2024

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**HOMESTAYS NEEDED FOR HIGH SCHOOL
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

If you are an active family interested in hosting an international student from
Europe and around the world contact us!

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