



FULFORD COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

...developing thoughtful, lifelong learners...

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Around the School



Go Canada!!!!

Explorations

This was a great way to end classes before Spring Break. Thank you to all our parents for making this a positive and memorable experience. We appreciate all the passion and effort you put into making these explorations available to our students.

If you have an idea for an exploration that you would like to do with your child's class we'd welcome you. Please speak to your child's teacher about the topic and available times. These are wonderful opportunities for enrichment.

Important Dates

March 4	Explorations 1:30 to 2:30
March 5-21	Spring Break
March 24 and 25	Swimming Lessons begin
March 25	PAC Meeting 3:15

Water

Our school has returned to a '0' coliform count. Thank you to the crew from Plant Services who shocked our well and provided us with bottled water until the tests returned to zero.

Kindergarten Registration

This week was Kindergarten registration for the coming year. Now the School Board has a count of new students we are expecting they can go ahead and staff schools accordingly. If you missed registration week please don't delay. The sooner we know about your child the better we can plan.

Any child born in 2005 should register for Kindergarten. Please come to the school office, between 9 am and 2 pm. Bring your child's birth certificate, passport or landed immigrant authorization and care card. If your children are already attending Fulford School we expect them back. There is no need to register again.

Swimming Lessons

We will have swimming lessons at Rainbow Road Pool for four weeks following Spring Break. Our K-2 students will swim on Wednesday mornings and Grades 3-5 will swim on Thursdays. They will be bussed to and from the pool. Some classes will arrange in-town field trips for part of the mornings.

Classified

Events this week on Salt Spring

Library Story Time Fridays at 1 pm for children 6 years and under.

March 5 Ready for Spring. with Kaz.

March 26 Spring Surprises. with Melanie.

Nature in the Library-Spring Break Programs

Salt Spring Library and Salt Spring Conservancy team up to present a series of entertaining and educational programs of nature in our islands during Spring Break. All programs from 1-2 pm at the Library. For ages 10 and under. No charge. Everyone welcome.

Wed., March 10, Fresh water creatures

There's a pond in the library! Join us for hands-on experiences with fresh water life. Presenter:

David Denning, Saltspring Conservancy

Fri., March 12 Marine life Learning and activities about salt water life Presenter: David Denning, Salt Spring Conservancy

Wed., March 17 More fun and learning about nature on Salt Spring Island

Presenter: Salt Spring Conservancy

Fri., March 19 Mammals that love water

Puppet animals tell their own stories, fact & fiction with help from the Conservancy's Jean Gelwicks

ACT~SING~DANCE with Sue Newman!

Workshops in 2nd week of March Break.

250-537-4294 or www.saltspringartsacademy.ca to register or for more info!

Green Faerie Camp March 8-12 10:00am-3:00pm. for girls ages 6 to 12, \$150/week. Near Lee's Hill, on Salt Spring. Info & enrollment:

oonasong@yahoo.com or 250-653-2088. Learn about the realm of the Green Faerie and the healing power of plants. Activities include nature study and plant lore, songwriting and music making, creative movement, wildcrafting, learning about the medicinal properties of plants, making simple herbal remedies and creating art with nature.

Artfully off in all Directions

Please have a look at Artspring between March 8 and 19 when some of our students' work will be on display.

Tree Frog Daycare currently has space available for preschool aged children (2.5-5 years.) This includes after kindergarten pick up and care for Fulford School children. We are open year round, from 8-5:30 Monday-Friday.

To find out more please call Lisa at (250) 653-4998 or email treefrogdaycare@shaw.ca Inquires and waitlist additions are also welcome for our infant/toddler program (newborn to 2.5 years)

Book Fair Thanks

Through our book fair last fall we were able to earn some great new titles for our Library. Thanks to all our supporters. Last week we found one outstanding order. Please let us know if you paid for a book you did not receive yet.

Minor Baseball Registration

It's that time of year. Minor baseball is open to children age 5 to 17. All registrations must be in by March 26. Registration forms are available from your classroom teacher or the school office.

Earthquake in Chili Relief, Letter from a Fulford family

There has been a terrible earthquake in Chile, I was born there, and many of Alandra's classmates met her Grandpa Jorge who was just here visiting; we have been fortunate as none of our relatives have suffered because of this quake, but there approximately 2 million homeless. Below is bank account information for donations. I will also be organizing/collecting funds to forward there and to the Red Cross In Chile. Please don't hesitate to contact me with questions or comments, Thank you so much for caring! Javiera & Alandra jfaure@saltspring.com C.I.B.C. "Chilean Earthquake relief fund" Transit # 04810, account# 2332132