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GREATER VICTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT #61

EAGLE VIEW ELEMENTARY



# NEWSLETTER



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School reopens after the Christmas break on  
[Tuesday, January 4, 2022](#)

*Staff and students are grateful to be in community together at Eagle View and we wish to recognize the Lekwungen territory of the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn and we do our work.*

## Administrator's Message

Dear Eagle View Families,

As we head into the holiday season and bring term one to a close, we would like to thank the families of Eagle View for your continued support with the ongoing Health Protocols. Everyone is doing a fantastic job to keep our school safe, demonstrating that we are all in this together for the long haul. You are amazing parents for all you do: organizing special activities for our students, contributing to PAC meetings, creating fundraising projects; ... and the list goes on.

Thank you also to the dedicated staff of Eagle View who put their hearts into creating engaging learning opportunities, providing caring classrooms and playgrounds both outside and inside. A shout out goes also to the dedicated team of office and custodial staff who ensure the smooth operation of the school and help students and staff daily.

Update on construction: Facilities are so grateful for the patient Eagle View Community and want to thank everyone for navigating any inconvenience that it has caused. They have masterfully worked around pick up and drop off times and plan to have the floor poured, complete with floor plumbing before the winter break. We look forward to walls going up in the new year and they say once this happens, the addition to the school will take place quickly.

On Friday, December 10, you will receive a report card for your child. The term has been filled with many opportunities to build skills in all areas of the curriculum. A focus on literacy to align with our school goals has seen students work to improve their skills in reading and writing, meeting each student where they are at. A great idea to keep the momentum going over the break is giving a 'just right' book as a gift or finding an adventurous read aloud for the entire family.

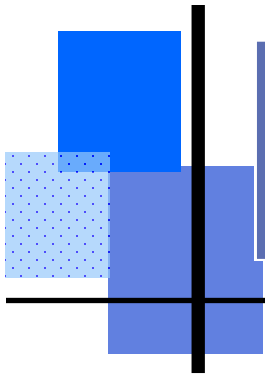
On Thursday, December 16 we will send home our Christmas concert video for your viewing pleasure. Friday, December 17 is Pajama/Comfy Clothes Day at Eagle View so your children can roll out of bed and come as they are!

Wishing you the very best this holiday season. Enjoy time with family and friends and be kind to one another.

Best wishes and we look forward to seeing all of you back in the New Year,

Jana and Jordana





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View the full school calendar at:  
[www.sd61.bc.ca/school/eagleview](http://www.sd61.bc.ca/school/eagleview)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1	2	3 Subway Fun Lunch
6	7 Popcorn Recess Fire Drill 11:20 am	8	9	10 Boston Pizza & Pasta Fun Lunch 1st Term Reports Home
13	14 Cobs Recess	15	16 Christmas Performance Video sent home	17 Pajama/Comfy Clothes Day Last Day of School for Christmas Holidays
20	21	22	23	24
Christmas Holidays				
27	28	29	30	31
Christmas Holidays				

December Birthdays

Shiloh B, Violet B, Hattie B, Tenley M,  
 Maddy S, Shayden P, Clara H, Rohan S,  
 Maya S, Maria R, Isaiah R, & Rohan R.

Happy Birthday!!

### Pajama/Comfy Clothes Day



On Friday, December 17 we will be having Pajama/Comfy Clothes Day and students are encouraged to wear their pajamas, slippers or their favourite comfy clothes and have their favourite stuffed animal with them. Please ensure that they come to school with the appropriate outside wear - a coat and boots. As long as the weather allows it, students will go outside at the break times so they need to be dressed weather appropriate.

### Eagle View Food Bank Train

Chuga Chuga Choo Choo .....The train has pulled into the station. Our Eagle View food bank train can be found in the front foyer of the school. This year we will be requesting a different food item everyday. An email was sent home last week with the details. Any food items you wish to donate need to be in no later than Thursday, December 16. All food items brought in will be sent to the West Shore Food Bank and distributed to families for the Christmas season. We appreciate your contributions to this worthy cause.



### Christmas Backpack Project



The Christmas Backpack Project is an annual initiative that provides those in need with backpacks full of necessities and comfort items on Christmas Day. We are accepting donations until Wednesday, December 15. Items greatly in need are toiletry items such as deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, new gloves, scarves, toques and backpacks.

### Kindergarten Registration - September 2022

Planning is already underway for Kindergarten registration. Children turning 5 years old in the calendar year 2022 are eligible for Kindergarten in September 2022. Registration week is Monday, January 24 through Friday, January 28, 2022.

**Please read the following carefully for enrolment priorities as well as the documentation required to register .**

Families are asked to register online for their catchment area school during registration week. If you currently have a student at Eagle View and will be registering a Kindergarten student but are **not** living in the Eagle View catchment you must register online for your catchment school and apply for a transfer to Eagle View.

To register you will need your child's birth certificate, Canadian Passport or landed immigrant authorization. You will need to provide **two** of the following documents for proof of residency (driver's license and utility bills will no longer be accepted):

#### Home owners

purchase agreement of home  
current property tax statement  
home owner's insurance  
notice of assessment  
a purchase agreement (w/subject removal & deposit receipt)

#### Renters

rental agreement signed by landlord & 2 of the following:  
Canadian bank or credit card statement  
BC vehicle registration  
income tax statement  
renter insurance documents

If you have any questions, please feel free to call our office or visit our District website at [www.sd61.bc.ca/kindergarten.aspx](http://www.sd61.bc.ca/kindergarten.aspx) for helpful information to assist you and your child for entry into kindergarten and our public school system.

## ~ News from EVE PAC ~

### PAC Meetings

There is **no** monthly PAC meeting in December. The next PAC meeting will be on **Wednesday, January 12, at 6:30 pm** via Zoom. All parents are welcome to attend.

## Travelling Outside of Canada

As the winter break approaches, the District would like to remind families and staff about travel requirements when leaving and returning to the country.

All travellers returning to/entering Canada must follow the testing and quarantine requirements. For all details, including 72 hour or less trips, please visit: [www.travel.gc.ca](http://www.travel.gc.ca).



There are some exemptions for fully vaccinated travellers who are permitted to enter Canada. We recommend that you review travel requirements prior to travel as advisories or guidelines may evolve.

Students, staff and other adults who are not fully vaccinated and have travelled outside of Canada **CANNOT** attend school for 14 days after arrival, as part of federal requirements. This includes children under 12 who are travelling with their fully vaccinated parents.

### Sources:

Government of Canada (2021). COVID-19: Requirements for fully vaccinated travellers and unvaccinated children less than 12 years of age. <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/diseases-conditions/fully-vaccinated-travellers-without-covid-19-symptoms-returning-canada.html>

BC Center for Disease Control (2021). Self-isolation and Self-monitoring. <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/self-isolation>

## Winter Weather - Important Information

It is a priority for the Greater Victoria School District to communicate effectively to parents, students and community partners during inclement weather. With cooler temperatures in our forecast, the District would like to remind families of its inclement weather protocol and where to find information about the determination of school closures.

The District assesses weather conditions on a daily basis and puts every effort into making a determination by 6:30 am. of whether or not schools will remain open. The status of schools and transportation is then provided to local media and communicated to our community.

### Inclement Weather Updates are provided through the following:

- School District website: [www.sd61.bc.ca](http://www.sd61.bc.ca)
- Local media outlets
- Social media channels
  - ◇ Twitter: [@sd61schools](https://twitter.com/sd61schools)
  - ◇ Facebook: [@sd61schools](https://www.facebook.com/GreaterVictoriaSchoolDistrict)
  - ◇ Instagram: [@sd61schools](https://www.instagram.com/sd61schools)



The District is regularly monitoring local weather conditions and Environment Canada's forecast, and will continue to do so over the weekend. Please stay connected with us for regular updates.

The Greater Victoria Region is broad and we understand that some areas may be more difficult to travel than others. It's always a parent's decision if you choose to keep your child home due to road conditions.

### For more information about notification of school impacts due to inclement weather:

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/inclement-weather-notifications-2/>

*In case of snow, please use the main entrance to the school. This entrance will be the first cleared to allow for safe entry to the school.*



December 2021 Early Learning and Elementary Snapshot

[Helping Your Child Build Friendship Skills](#)

Eagle View is a Scent Aware School  
Please help us keep the air we share healthy and fragrance free

*Wishing all our  
Eagle View Families  
A Safe & Happy  
Holiday Season*



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Mr. Scott Rutherford  
Mr. Ryan Nast  
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Mr. Paul Borich  
Ms. Audrey Moore  
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