

# **Earl Marriott Secondary**

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## Principal's Message

October is a month that flies by in any high school, and Earl Marriott Secondary is no exception. It is the month when we dig in to all of the course work and activities that we have planned for the year, and we set goals and timelines for everything we want to accomplish by the end of the semester. The students of Earl Marriott are focused on their learning and are also busy planning activities and events to make our school fun and engaging for everyone. The next few weeks will be focused on midterm projects and post-secondary applications, but also on extra-curricular activities and fall sports. One of the best ways for students to get the most out of their high school years is by joining a club or team sport. Earl Marriott has over 30 clubs that are running this year, and many of our teams have been bringing home banners and medals at tournaments and races around the Lower Mainland.

Following the Admin Day on Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, our staff has been looking at a different focus area from the Code of Conduct each month, to support students in their learning. This month, we are focusing on Attendance. Our staff believes that consistent attendance is the key to success, and it is a reflection of a student's investment in

#### **Upcoming in November**

- 1 Parent/Teacher Conferences **Early Dismissal**
- 8 Remembrance **Day Ceremonies**
- 9 Pro-D - no classes
- 12 Remembrance Day Observed
- 14 **Grade 9 Take Our Kids To Work Day**
- 22 **Report Cards Published**
- 22 We Day
- 22 **Grad Fashion Show**

30 **Grad Transitions Written Work Due** 

their learning. At the school, we are committing to speaking with students and encouraging them, communicating to parents when there is a concern, and following through with support when needed. Parents can expect phone calls or emails from the school when classes are missed, and a letter from the administration when there have been more than 4 days of unexcused absences. We encourage families to contact the school whenever there is an excused absence, or if there is a concern or question. Thank you for your support in helping us by encouraging your children to attend all classes, and by letting us know when they will be absent due to illness or an appointment.

Parents should have received the first **interim reports** from Term 1 last week. This first interim is an early indicator of work habits that are being demonstrated in the classroom. The interim may not necessarily reflect an established work habit, but it can be used as an early indication of attendance concerns or areas in need of improvement. Parents may follow up the interim report with an interview at the Parent Teacher Conference day on Thursday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>. Interview times may be scheduled on line. Check our website for details. This is a good opportunity to further check on your child's progress to date and discuss strategies for support. **Our first formal report for the year will be on Thursday, November 22nd.** 

This month will be an important one for **Grade 12 students** and their parents.

The Grade 12's will be celebrating the first term of their Grad year at the Grad Cruise on Thursday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. On Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, they will participate in the Grad Fashion Show, a Mariner tradition. We encourage everyone to come out and support these events.

Grade 12 students have been attending ongoing visits from post-secondary institutions. A calendar is located on our website. Thank you to our career centre staff who bring in representatives from all of the major universities and colleges to speak with our students. In addition to these university visits, students have been attending lunch sessions on Grad information, including post-secondary decision making and dealing with the stress of deadlines and applications.

Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> is the Annual Post-Secondary Institutions Evening. This South Surrey event is being held at Earl Marriott this year. It is a great opportunity to meet with Faculty advisors and recruitment teams from the Universities and colleges. UBC will be coming to speak to students on Wednesday Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the Theatre.

Fall sports are well underway at Earl Marriott. I would like to thank all the coaches that have stepped up this fall and given our athletes the opportunity to compete. School Athletics doesn't happen without the support of many volunteers. Our Volleyball teams, Boys Soccer, Football, Swimming and Cross-country team have all moved forward in their divisions. Our Cross-country teams did exceptionally well in the Fraser Valleys and many will be heading to the Provincial Championships in Nanaimo. Parents can check the schedule for games and tournaments at emsathletics.ca.

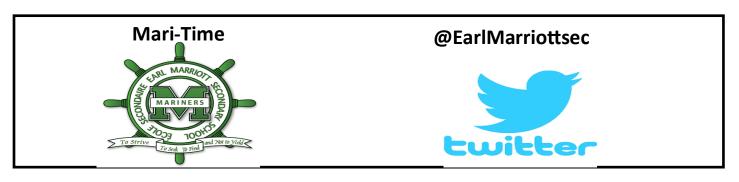
Parents are reminded that the next Professional Day will be on **Friday, November 9**<sup>th</sup>, prior to Remembrance Day on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. Plans are well underway for our Remembrance Day Assemblies on Thursday Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, and we look forward to this solemn and respectful occasion at our school. Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> is also a non-instructional day.

I am excited for all of the great activities that are on the calendar for the next month, especially the Hallowe'en Fashion Show on Oct.31st. Make sure you have downloaded our school App, Maritime, and joined our school on Twitter for the most up to date information on everything that is happening at the Home of the Mariners.

Sincerely,

Claudine Davies

Proud Principal of Earl Marriott Secondary



## **November 2018**

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 28	29	30	31	Nov 1  GPS meeting  1:45pm Early Dismissal  3:15pm P/T Conferences  - Early Dismissal	2 ABCD(2)	3
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11 Remembrance Day	Remembrance Day Observed Schools Closed	13 BCDA(1)	14 CDAB(2) Early Dismissal Take Our Kids to Work Day (Gr. 9)	DABC(1) 7:00pm Dry Grad Meeting (Library)	16 CDAB(2)	17
18	ABCD(1) 6:30pm SEVEC Meeting (Library)	BCDA(2) 6:30pm Parents as Career Coaches (Theatre )	21 CDAB(1)	DABC(2) Report Cards Issued WE Day (Rogers Arena) 6:00pm Fashion Show (Dry Grad)	23 DABC(1) 3:00pm Volleyball Tournament	24 8:00am Volleyball Tournament
25	26 ABCD(2) 7:00pm PAC Meeting (Library)	27 BCDA(1)	28 CDAB(2) 5:00pm Football Banquet	29 DABC(1)	30 ABCD(2) Last Day for GT12 Written Work	Dec 1

#### **New Cannabis Control and Licensing Act**

Please be aware of the following violation amendments related to the consumption or possession of cannabis while at school, or on adjacent grounds. Students may be fined by RCMP in the following circumstances:

Vape cannabis or hold activated cannabis device in an outdoor public place	\$58
Smoke or hold lighted cannabis in indoor public place (school)	\$230
Vape cannabis or hold activated cannabis device in indoor public place	\$58
Smoke or hold lighted cannabis at bus stop or similar place, including an area abutting	
School property	\$230
Vape cannabis or hold activated cannabis device at bus stop or similar place	\$58

For more information, please reference <a href="http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/documents/id/oic/oic\_cur/0529\_2018">http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/documents/id/oic/oic\_cur/0529\_2018</a>

Smoking, vaping and the possession or use of cannabis while at school is a violation of the Code of Conduct.



## Marijuana (cannabis) and schools

District policies regarding cannabis are consistent with provincial and federal laws, and similar in approach to district policies regarding alcohol or tobacco.

#### Minor students (18 years and younger)

- The possession of cannabis and cannabis products in British Columbia is limited to adults 19 years or older. A minor must not possess, consume, produce, supply, sell, purchase or attempt to purchase cannabis, nor market, advertise or promote cannabis. In addition, minors cannot possess, make, supply, sell, purchase or attempt to purchase a cannabis accessory (equipment related to cannabis use, production, etc.).
- A minor must not operate a vehicle, whether or not the vehicle is in motion, while there is cannabis in the vehicle.
- If a student is found in possession of what is believed to be cannabis or a cannabis-infused product, the product will be confiscated. Further actions may also be taken against the student.

#### Adults (19 years and older)

- Adults cannot consume cannabis in any form in or on school property.
- Adults cannot smoke or vape cannabis in or on public spaces such as skating rinks, sports fields, swimming pools, playgrounds or skate parks (noteworthy for adults in adjacent schools).
- Adults cannot consume cannabis while operating a vehicle or consume cannabis while in a vehicle being operated by another person. An adult must not operate a vehicle if the adult knows that another person is smoking or vaping cannabis in the vehicle.

<u>For additional information on cannabis and cannabis laws, please visit:</u> cannabis.gov.bc.ca or Canada.ca/cannabis.

District Info Sheet – English Cr. Oct 2018 8040-03 (RCSS)

## **English Department**



This picture was done as part of a submission for a multimodal final unit-project on the novel, *The Curious Incident of the dog in the night-time* for Mr. Winters' grade-9 English class. The story is about a 15-year old boy with autism, who takes it upon himself to solve a mystery involving his neighbour's dog. It was done on an ipad using a variety of techniques in art and technology. The various objects in this picture relate to character, themes, and events, which take place during the story. Enjoy!

## Fine Arts Department



By Vicki C. Grade 9

This is one of our projects we do in Visual Art 9. Students have layers of painting, printing, cutting out, gluing and drawing into the image to achieve this effect.

Kathy Manning



#### **Scholarship and Post-Secondary Information**

EMS hosts meetings for the latest scholarship and post-secondary information. The meetings are called GPS and they are held the last Thursday of every month during lunch in the Career Center. If you can't attend the meetings, take a look at the school website under Quick Links on the Counselling Department page, or sign up for the Mari-Time App. Next meeting time is October 25, 2018.

#### **Grad Fashion Show**

The first fundraiser for the 2019 Dry Grad is the Grad Fashion Show on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Doors open at 6pm with a silent auction and show starting at 7pm. There are over 100 Grade 12 students who are participating this year modeling clothing that ranges from the Running Room to David's Bridal. Please show your support for the Earl Marriott Graduating Class of 2019 and join us for a night of fashion and music at "The Colour of Fashion Time Machine"

Tickets are \$20 general admission, \$40 VIP seating. They will go on sale November 8th.





The MariTimes Newspaper is in full swing with a great group of hardworking students. Our newspaper is published in print and online at <a href="https://www.maritimesnews.com/">https://www.maritimesnews.com/</a>. Each issue includes world news, local news, school events, movie/TV/music reviews, horoscopes, a creative expressions section, and more! This newspaper is student -led and student-run, and we're always accepting articles, photos, and comments! Please contact Ms Ganshorn (sponsor teacher) for more information or to join this club.



October 12, 2018

Dear Parent / Guardians:

Re: Community Youth Activities "Grad Pranks"

We share the pride of accomplishment and look forward to joining you in congratulating the class of 2019. However, in past years there have been troubling incidents of unsafe behaviour and acts of vandalism involving youth in our neighbourhoods participating in reckless events, often characterized as grad activities. Such events are a trend, not just in our school district, but in other communities as well. We are asking for your help in ensuring your son or daughter is aware that unsafe and unacceptable behaviours can have serious consequences.

It is important that we work together to ensure that our young people do not take part in, or condone (provoke, encourage, or support):

- Bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, threat(s) or intimidation;
- Violence of any form;
- Verbal, physical or sexual abuse;
- Discrimination in any form;
- Theft:
- Unsafe or dangerous activities
- Vandalism:
- Possession or use of intoxicating or banned substances;
- Possession or use of weapons (or replica weapons) and explosives

Youth involved in these types of activities may face criminal and school consequences, including losing the privilege to attend extra-curricular events such as the grad ceremony and banquet. Students may also face suspension from school and/or criminal charges. Given that positive citizenship is often considered in selection for school and district scholarships, poor decisions can also impact those award possibilities. Parents are also financially responsible for damage caused by their children – please see the attached School Act excerpt. We ask that you understand the school's and district's position in taking the necessary disciplinary steps in circumstances where inappropriate behaviour occurs.

We also fully support your decision to <u>not permit your son or daughter to attend unsupervised events</u>. We often hear about camping trips, parties or trips to vacation spots like Whistler which are not organized by the district, parents or the school. Our shared goal of safety for all of our young people is compromised when these events occur. If you are uncertain about the status of an event please give school administration a call. We would be happy to clarify if this is an event supported by the school or the district. Each year in B.C., there are tragic events associated with "grad activities" that could be avoided through increased awareness and clear expectations.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Jordan Tinney

Superintendent of Schools/CEO

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Dwayne McDonald Assistant Commissioner, Officer in Charge Surrey Detachment

#### SCHOOL ACT

#### BC Ministry of Education Governance and Legislation Branch C-1 April 16, 2009 REVISED STATUTES OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1996

#### Division 3 - Joint Rights and Duties Liability for damage to property

10 If property of a board or a francophone education authority is destroyed, damaged, lost or converted by the intentional or negligent act of a student or a francophone student, that student and that student's parents are jointly and severally liable to the board or francophone education authority in respect of the act of that student.

[1997-52-4 effective Aug. 1/97, BC Reg. 287/97]

## **Performing Arts**



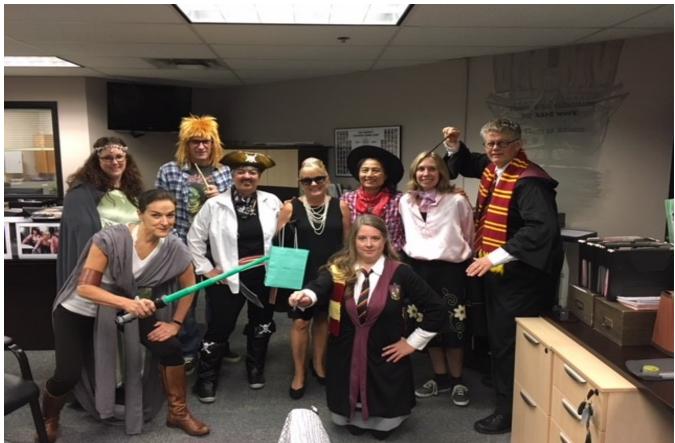
The Grade 9, 10 and Sr. Wind Ensembles will be performing at the Bell Centre Theatre on November 27<sup>th</sup> from Noon till 230pm. The event is for the Surrey Band Review.



# Halloween











#### Haida Gwaii—2019

Next May, our First Nation program is departing on an 8 day excursion to Haida Gwaii. Don't miss out on this wonderful experience. We will Kayak, Hike, visit Haida Carvers and a Zodiac expedition to Gwaii Haanas and the ancient Haida Villages. Don't miss out. Please see Mr. MacKay-Dunn or Dawne in the First Nation office. This is open to all students and we are limited to 18 students in total.

#### Italy and Spain—2020



The Art Department will be starting to rally for our next Florence, Italy and Spain trip 2020. We love going to Florence since it is a total immersion into the Renaissance. Along with its historic architecture and art, students will be living the Italian way by staying with Italian parents in Florence for the week's stay. Students learn a little Italian as well at the International Language School in Florence. After Florence, we go on to Spain and this year we will be visiting Barcelona the home of Gaudi. Students who are taking Spanish can put their learning to practice while touring and living with Spanish parents just outside of Barcelona. We are hoping to get underway with a parent meeting in October. See Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Van Weerden or Mrs. Manning

#### Ireland—2019

Earl Marriott students are invited to join Mr. Ewacha and Ms. Beveridge this Spring Break for an Irish tour to the Emerald island. Leaving on March 18<sup>th</sup>, we will spend 9 days touring the sights and sounds of Dublin, Galway, Limerick and Killarney. Some of the other locations we will be visiting along the way include, the Neolithic UNESCO Heritage site of Knowth, which contains structures that predate Egypt's pyramids. We will also explore the vast array of unique Geographical wonders like the scenic Cliffs of Moher, Connemara Park, the Ring of Kerry, and the "Wild Atlantic Way." For those who are intrigued by European Medieval history climb Blarney Castle and kiss the Blarney Stone, and spot the round towers which dot the countryside.





### www.cpf-surrey.com

## **HELLO STUDENTS! HELLO PARENTS!**

# WANT TO TRAVEL TO HISTORIC QUEBEC CITY? MEET NEW FRIENDS? WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE?

Information/Sign-up meeting Monday, November 19, 2018, 7pm, EMS Library

**Canadian Parents for French – Surrey Chapter** (CPF-Surrey) is pleased to announce that its thirteenth annual summer exchange trip between Surrey and Quebec City in June/July 2018 was a great success!

CPF-Surrey is applying for another grant from **EXPERIENCES CANADA** for a fourteenth summer exchange to take place in 2019. Each student will be paired with a "twin" from Quebec City. First the Quebec students stay in their twins' home and work to strengthen their English speaking skills. In the second half students travel to Quebec, to stay in their twin's home and practice communicating in French. This trip is a wonderful cultural experience for both **French Immersion** and **Core French** students and **any** student who wants to experience another region of our great country.

Due to our partnership with EXPERIENCES CANADA we are once again able to offer three weeks of activities, accommodation, meals and flights for the very reasonable price of \$975.

The activities in 2019 will include 10 days of activities in the Lower Mainland including kayaking, hiking and a day in Victoria followed by 10 days of activities in Quebec City. Activities in Quebec include a visit to Valcartier-Waterpark, Old Quebec and much more. The exchange will begin the last week of June and end in mid-July, tentative dates are June 25<sup>th</sup>- July 15<sup>th</sup>.

We are encouraging Secondary Students in Grade 8-11 interested in participating in this reciprocal home-stay exchange program between Surrey and Quebec City to contact us as soon as possible in order to register and begin the application process.

For more information please contact our Group Organizer, Charlene Dobie at 778-899-9151 or <a href="mailto:sevecsurrey@gmail.com">sevecsurrey@gmail.com</a> or Nicolas Rebselj, Secondary French Immersion Teacher at <a href="mailto:rebseli@shaw.ca">rebseli@shaw.ca</a>