

Earl Marriott Secondary

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Principal's Message

Welcome to 2020!

It has been a very eventful start to the New Year! We started the year writing exams, finishing presentations, and preparing for Semester 2. Our new graduates of 2025 and their parents have visited the school and had a tour with us. The future Grade eights are excited to come here in September 2020. Our Grade 10 students are writing their Literacy exams for the first time provincially. We wish them all the best. Our Grade 11 students are presenting the first Capstone projects as part of their graduation requirements. And of course, the wind and the snow have made for some very cold, very wet days at school, not to mention the first snow day of the school year.

As the end of this semester approaches, everyone is busy finishing assignments and projects, and studying for final exams. This year, students will be in full session classes until Wednesday January 22nd, with Thursday the 23rd and Friday the 24th as Completion Days for students who need to take care of final assignments, or tests and quizzes that must be finished before the end of Semester. If you are unsure whether your child's attendance on the Completion days is being requested, please have them speak to their teacher. For the first time, Grade 10 students will be writing the Literacy 10 Assessments on the 23rd and 24th. Please check our website for a full schedule and more information about this assessment.

Upcoming in February

Grade 8-11 Course Planning 3 Parent Night 4 **Course Planning Assemblies** 5&6 **Grade 9 Immunizations** 6 Semester 1 Report Cards Published on MyEd 17 Family Day— no classes 21 Non-Instructional Day 24 PAC Meeting 7pm 26 Anti-Bullying Day 27 **Grad Fashion Show**



In addition, many Grade 11 students will also be coming in on Thursday and Friday to present their Capstone projects. We welcome parents to come in and see these presentations for the first time. CLC 12 and the Capstone presentation are part of the new Graduation Requirements.

Semester 2 begins on Monday, January 27th. Semester 2 schedules were handed out on Monday January 20th. It is hard to believe, but we are already speaking with students about **Course Planning** for next year. All of our Grade 8's logged into their MyEdBC accounts in preparation for choosing their courses. The **Course Planning Evening for parents of Grades 8** – **11 will be on Monday, February 3rd at 7:00 pm**. Grade assemblies will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 4th, but all Mariners can look over the new Course planning guide and materials on our website. Students will be completing their course selection on line through the student portal of MyEdBC the weeks of Feb. 4th – 21st. Parents can ask their son or daughter to go online with them to review their course selection choices. Please check our Course Planning Guide and Course Book online at earlmarriott.ca for all of the information.

Grade 10 and 11 parents and students can benefit from attending the PAC presentation from **Options Solutions** on Thursday, January 30th for even more information on post-secondary planning.

Of course, our Grade 12 students are focused on making choices for their first year out of high school. Information continues to come in from our counseling department, and is posted on our website along with current scholarship information. We will be sending Graduation Ceremony details home in the Spring, but parents and families should mark down **Wednesday**, **May 20th** (Commencement Ceremony) and Saturday, June 20th (Dinner/Dance) as important dates not to miss. One of our annual Grad events, the Grad Fashion Show, takes place on Thursday, February 27th. Your Dry Grad committee has a number of activities and fundraisers planned for the next few months, so please check to see where you can help out and support Dry Grad.

We have a few staff changes and additions for Semester 2. I would like to thank and recognize **Mrs. J. Koehler** for her dedication to our students over many years. Mrs. Koehler is beginning her new role as a Vice Principal in the Langley School District and we wish her all the best with her new school. We are so grateful for the commitment that she has made to our students and school, and we will miss seeing her each day. **Ms. Canino** has stepped in to support Grade 12 students with their scholarship applications. In addition, **Mr. Roberts** will be taking a leave for a semester to work with National Rugby. **Mr. Collett** will be taking over his role in the PE dept. There are a number of additions to our staff in Semester 2. **Ms. Sra** is coming back to Earl Marriott in the English department, and **Ms. Han** is joining our Math dept. Welcome to all of our new staff.

There are many events to look forward to in the Spring of 2020: the school musical 'Beauty and the Beast', several school trips this Spring Break, Graduation events and ceremonies, Junior Prom, Spring Athletics, and many more.

On behalf of the Mariner staff, I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. There are so many opportunities in our school community and I encourage you to get involved and find your passion in 2020.

Sincerely,

Claudine Davies

Principal École Earl Marriott Secondary



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	ABCD	BCDA	Anti-Bullying Day	DABC	DABC		
	Day 2 7:00pm PAC meeting (Library)	Day 1	CDAB Day 2	Day 1 6:00pm Grad Fashion Show	Day 2		

Course Planning 2020-2021



Course Planning/Course Request Season has started at EMS. Please take a moment and review our Course Planning Website. It includes a Timeline, Course Planning Guide, Course Catalogue and Course Planning Sheets. Course requests will be entered on-line between February 4 and 21. Grade assemblies will be held on February 4. We have a Parent Information Course Planning Night Planned for February 3 at 7:00 PM. Please take the time to review all of the resources available on our website. Students in grade 9 to 11 should make sure they have access to the student portal in MyEd BC before February 4. Password reset information using your email address entered last year is also available on our website. Please contact our office if you have any questions.

Here is a quick link to our website: <u>https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/earlmarriott/About/Courses/Pages/</u> <u>default.aspx</u>

Career Centre

Co-op and Partnership Programs

We are offering three co-op programs this coming year: Liberal Arts, Science, and Skilled Trades. Please be sure to submit your application by January 31st. For applications and more information, come to the Career Centre, room 322.



If you are interested in a Youth Train in Trades program, please see Ms. Jenkins in the Career Centre from Mon-

day to Wednesday. These applications are due no later than March 2nd.

Working in a trade, maybe as a line cook or prep cook? See Ms. Jenkins right away. You may have the chance to earn credits toward graduation and a \$1000 award.

For further information on all our programs, check out our page on the school website: earlmarriott/ departments/career.

Dear Parents

Canadian Parents for French, is a national organization of parents working to support each other, and our kids, as they learn French.



One of the ways we do that is through cultural events outside of the classroom. Below is a list of upcoming events around Surrey -- and one CPF Surrey school field trip!

- January 25 & 26 Vive les voyageurs Festival (Fort Langley National Historic Site, \$8/adult, kids free)
- Feb 3 7 French Language Week watch for a fun event at your schools. CPF contributes a \$200 grant towards activities.
- Feb 11 & 12 **CPF Surrey annual Film Festival** (this year for elementary students) featuring *Les Pee Wees* for intermediate students and *Ernest et Celestine en hiver* for primary students. In partnership with SD#36.
- March 6 8 Festival du Bois <u>www.festivaldubois.ca</u> (Makin Park, Coquitlam)
- Every Thursday French Story Time @3:45 City Centre Public Library

Follow us on Facebook @Canadian Parents for French – Surrey



Hello Everyone and a warm welcome to Earl Marriott Secondary School PAC!

Pancake breakfast December 20, 2019 was so much fun and we had a great time serving Hot Chocolate to the kids! Thanks to the administration, staff and students for a wonderful morning!



Our first workshop of the year, **Parents as Education and Career Coaches**, was held in November and was very well attended by parents from throughout the district. It was hosted by EMS PAC and presented in conjunction with the District Career Centre. Many thanks to Mark Flynn for all his assistance. The presentation was a great session for parents to learn how to effectively support their children in their career and education choices. If you missed it, the district plans to host it again in the spring, date TBA. Check the Surrey District Website, Career Education, for more info.

The next Surrey District PAC General Meeting will be on Wednesday, January 22, 6:45 registration for 7-9pm at the District Education Centre (DEC) Building, 14033 92nd Avenue, Surrey. Topics discussed will include resolutions and proxy forms for the upcoming British Columbia Council of PACs (BCCPAC) AGM in May. All parents are welcome to attend.

Join us for EMS PAC meetings – there is still much work to do for Surrey Schools, for EMS, for the staff and for our kids. Next EMS PAC meeting: Monday, January 27, 2020, 7:00 – 9:00 in the library. All are welcome!!

Just before Course Selection info night, EMS PAC is hosting a presentation by Options Solutions, our second speaker of the year, on Thursday, January 30, 2020 in the EMS Theatre from 6:30 – 7:30. The talk will be about university admissions and applications and will touch on course selection. Look for more info on the EMS website.

Semiahmoo Secondary PAC invites EMS to screening of the film **Paper Tigers**, the awardwinning documentary which tells an inspiring story of how just one caring adult can help break the cycle of adversity in a young person's life; and how the community healed itself. Gain insights for assisting children and youth experiencing challenges. View the impact of teaching and parenting with consistency, love, acknowledgement and acceptance. It's for educators, health professionals and parents. There will be a panel discussion afterwards. It's free! **Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6 – 8:30 pm, doors open at 5:30 pm, Semiahmoo Secondary School 1785 148th St, Surrey.** Register FREE on Eventbrite: papertigers2020.eventbrite.ca

EMS PAC Vacancies:

District Parent Advisory Council or DPAC representative is still vacant – we are actively looking for someone who would like to be our PAC representative to the District PAC. Attend 8 DPAC Meetings a year at the District Education Centre, report back to the PAC and be EMS's voice at the meetings

New Schools advocacy group for more funding for schools in Surrey – looking for members

BBQ Committee/PAC give-back event: Looking for members

Guest speaker coordinator position: vacant

Website/new logo: ideas?

Contact: earlmpac@gmail.com



JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Save the date!

Mark your calendars – next up is our **Grad Fashion Show "Cloud 9" fundraiser** on Thursday, February 27th, 2020 at EMS.

TICKETS (on sale Feb 17-27 during lunch) General Seating: \$15 in advance | \$20 at the door Premiere Seating: \$30 (2nd + 3rd row - only 100 available) VIP Seating: \$40 (1st row + Swag Bag! - only 50 available) Silent Auction, 50/50 Draw, Wine Board, Door Prizes



Grade 11 and 12 Parent Fashion Show Volunteers Needed!

We are still in need of volunteers – especially parents from Grade 11, which then gives the Grade 12 parents a chance to enjoy the show and watch their son/daughter walk the catwalk at the Annual Dry Grad Fashion Show on Thursday, February 27th, 2020.



Raffle Tickets Still Available!

This year's EMS Dry Grad Committee is proud to introduce the Travel Gift Card Raffle fundraiser.

An amazing way to raise the much-needed funds required to produce the EMS Dry Grad for our graduates. Tickets are only \$10 each with ONLY 2,000 tickets available. Help us raise the funds and give yourself a 1 in 2,000 chance to win!

This \$5,000 Travel Gift Card does not have restrictions. It can be used for your families travel plans or an amazing gift for that Graduate taking a gap year to travel. Valid for 2 years.

Tickets available at The Gallery Central Plaza - 15134 North Bluff Road, White Rock or by emailing us.

Please contact the EMS Dry Grad Committee regarding questions about the EMS Dry Grad Committee, volunteering, fundraising events, donations or the EMS Dry Grad at emsdrygrad2020@gmail.com or 778.989.2497.

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Let's work together to make Dry Grad the best event yet!



Please make a donation - we need your help to raise funds!

The EMS Dry Grad is an overnight event at the South Surrey Recreation and Arts Centre from 10pm Saturday night until 5pm Sunday morning, which provides students with a safe, drug and alcohol-free environment to celebrate their graduation.

The event is a fully supervised fun event, sponsored by the EMS Dry Grad Committee, where the grads can celebrate their graduation with their friends in a safe environment.

This takes time, money and commitment on the part of many individuals. In order to make the various fundraising events a successful, the EMS Dry Grad Committee relies on donations of prize and service contributions in the form of gift certificate, services and merchandise from the community, individuals and local businesses. In return for the generous prize or service donation, the EMS Dry Grad Committee publishes the names of all our donors in the Peace Arch News in June, as well as visual signage at the various fundraiser events.

If you, your business, a business contact or individual you know is able to donate anywhere from a \$5 Gift Card to Canuck tickets, Dining Gift Cards, Gift Baskets or services please contact the Committee Co-Chairs. Thank you!

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Travel Gift Card Raffle	November 20, 2019 to May 19, 2020 (Draw Date)		
Fashion Show	Thursday, February 27, 2020		
Car Test Drive	April 2020 (TBA)		
Plant & Manure Sale	Saturday, May 9, 2020		
Duke of Earl	Wednesday, May 27, 2020		

EMS Dry Grad Fundraisers Calendar of Events

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