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Principal's Message

Welcome to 2021!

It has been a very eventful start to the New Year. Firstly, we would like to thank everyone for their support during a very difficult time over the break, as we worked through a difficult situation for our school and for many of our students and their families. Since our return to school, we have been able to implement a number of protocols to enhance safety in all of our classes, and also to review those practices and protocols that have kept us safe and allowed us to keep students in class. We truly appreciate parents contacting us directly and informing us of any absences, so that we can quickly get ahead of any concerns. Please continue to keep children at home if they are feeling unwell. Thank you to all of our staff and students for Thank you to all of our staff and students for continuously being mindful of the ways they can reduce exposure risks by wearing masks, sanitizing their hands regularly and maintaining a safe distance whenever possible.

We have a few staff changes and additions for Quarter 3. I would like to thank and recognize Vice Principal **Mr. Doug Ratzlaff** for his dedication to our students over many years. Mr. Ratzlaff is beginning his new role as Principal in the Richmond School District, and we wish him all the best with his new school. We are so grateful for the commitment that he has made to our students and school, and we will miss seeing him outside greeting students each day. Joining our Admin team is **Ms. Kirsten Farquhar** as Vice Principal at Earl Marriott. Ms. Farquhar is an experienced Vice Principal who has worked most recently at Kwantlen Park Secondary. Ms. Farquhar worked early on in her career at Earl Marriott as a student teacher, which just proves 'Once a Mariner, Always a Mariner'. We welcome her to our school, and look forward to working and learning with her this year.

Already, our focus is turning to the next school year with planning and course selection. Our students started the new year writing exams, finishing presentations, and preparing for Quarter 3. Our new graduates of 2026 and their parents joined us in a virtual meeting to talk about Grade 8 courses and programs. Grade 10 students are writing their Literacy exams in the last week of January and we wish them all the best. Grade 11 students are presenting their Virtual Capstone projects as part of their graduation requirements. Everybody is moving forward with their courses and their plans for post-graduation.

Upcoming in February

- 1** Quarter 3 Begins
- 4-26** Online Course Selection
- 5** Report Cards Published on MyEd
- 15** Family Day—no classes
- 19** Non-Instructional Day
- 22** Virtual PAC Meeting 7pm
(see Announcement on EMS website for link)
- 24** Pink Shirt Day



As the end of this semester approaches, students are busy finishing assignments and projects, and studying for final exams. **This year, students will be in full session classes until Wednesday January 27th, with Thursday the 28th and Friday the 29th 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. In addition, Grade 10 students will be writing the Literacy 10 Assessments the week of the 25th – 29th. Please check our website for a full schedule and more information about this assessment.

Quarter 3 begins on Monday, February 1st. Student schedules were handed out on Monday January 11th. It is hard to believe, but we are already speaking with students about **Course Planning** for next year. All of our Grade 8's will be working with us in the Computer Labs to log into their MyEdBC accounts in preparation for choosing their courses. Grade 9 -11 students will be completing their course selection on line through the student portal of MyEdBC the weeks of **Feb. 4th – 26th**. 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 or all of the information to plan for next year. Students who are transferred to Grandview Secondary for next year will be completing their course selection at the same time through the Grandview MyEd site. A reminder to families that all out-of-catchment applications are due by Friday, January 29th for consideration for next year.

As always at this time of year, our Grade 12 students are focused on making choices for their first year out of high school. Information continues to come in from our counselling department, and is posted on our website, along with current scholarship information. Scholarship information continues to be shared through **emsscholarships** on Instagram. Graduation details will be sent out to students in the Spring. It appears that we will likely be holding a similar ceremony to the one held last year, which will be captured on video for families. Please know that our Admin and teachers are committed to creating a celebration that will honour our graduates and create a lasting memory.

On behalf of the Mariner staff, I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Claudine Davies

Principal École Earl Marriott Secondary

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February 2021

February 2021							March 2021						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jan 31	Feb 1 Quarter 3 Begins	2	3	4	5 Report Cards Published	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Family Day	16	17	18	19 Non-instructional Day #4	20
21	22 PAC Meeting 7pm	23	24 Pink Shirt Day	25	26	27
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Course Planning 2021—2022

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Welcome to our Course Planning Site!

Course Planning Timeline 2021-2022-Staff EMS.pdf (2021 2022)
Updated January 11th, 2021. The timeline of events from our first assembly to our process for verifying schedules

Course Catalog 2021-2022.pdf (2021 2022)
Download the PDF version of the Course Catalog. Have it available as you select your course requests for 2021 2022

Course Planning Guide 2021 2022.pdf (2021 2022)
Download the PDF version of the Course Planning Guide. Review this document before you start your course request session. Refer back to it to make sure your course requests are correct and meet graduation requirements.

Graduation Program for Grade 10 2021-2022.pdf
Graduation Program Grade 11 2021-2022.pdf
Graduation Program for Grade 12 2021-2022.pdf

START HERE

MyEd BC is the Information Management

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, Course Planning Sheets and Grade 10-12 Graduation Requirement Sheets. Course requests will be entered on-line between February 4 –26. Grade virtual assemblies will be held on February 3. Links to our virtual grade assemblies will be posted on our course planning website for parent access at home, on February 3rd. We will not be hosting a live parent night this year. 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: <https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/earlmarriott/About/Courses/Pages/default.aspx>

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Student Learning Survey 2020/2021

The Provincial Student Learning Survey gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

In Quarter 3, the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 10 and 12, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey. Any computer or device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the Direct Access link by selecting district (Surrey 36) and Earl Marriott Secondary. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section.

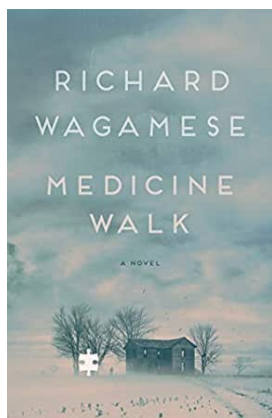
The e-survey site will be open until April 30th.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at earlmarriott@surreyschools.ca.



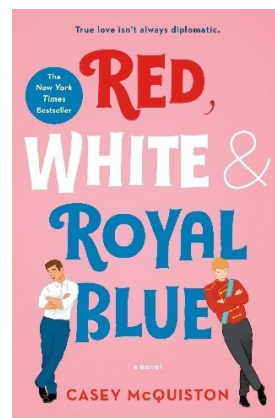
EMS Learning Commons New Books

Staff Favourite!



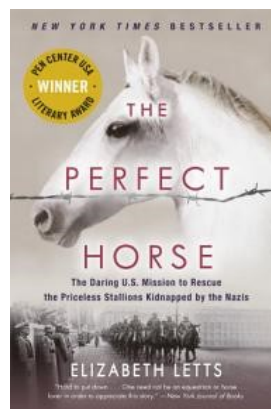
Moving story of Ojibway Franklin Starlight, and his father Eldon Starlight, and their journey through the dense forest of anger, regret, and forgiveness.

Royal Romance!



"A fireworks in the sky, glitter in your hair, joyous royal romance that you'll want to fall head over heels in love with again and again."

Horse Rescue!



Follow the daring U.S. mission to rescue the priceless stallions kidnapped by the Nazis, who were looking to create the perfect horse!

Now on Netflix:



Mixed reviews, but worth the read! Discusses positive body image, and if you like this, we also have the sequel 'Puddin'!



MARRIOTT MUSIC



Happy New Year!

While we currently are still unable to see many of you in person, we have been so fortunate to continue making music and building relationships in our school.

It is difficult to believe that we are already almost at course selection time! We know that participating in musical groups promotes self-confidence, team work, social networking, a sense of belonging, self-discipline, commitment just to name a few benefits. How fortunate we are to be able to keep offering music in a safe and supportive environment. Although these times have been challenging we are happy to share that our efforts in music have resulted in safety for all those involved in the music program. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions you may have about our COVID protection measures.

Important info:

*Our second run of our music merchandise is now available.

Please head to: <https://store.passionsports.ca/MarriottMusic>

Orders will be available before Spring Break. For more information on sizing, please email Mrs. Hermann:

earlmarriottmusic@gmail.com

New Course!

Look for our new course coming next year: Jazz Studies. This course runs over one semester and is for students who want to dive into the world of Jazz, R&B, Pop, Rock and contemporary music. It is designed for students that have already achieved a high level of competency in Concert Band. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to email us.

Stay tuned for information regarding resuming in person Jazz band rehearsals *hopefully in the Spring!

January 25, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Re: Community Youth Activities “Grad Pranks”

We share the pride of accomplishment and look forward to joining you in congratulating the class of 2021. 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, lasting, 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 harassment or 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, including graduation related activities such as commencement. 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 and post-secondary admissions, poor decisions can also impact those opportunities. 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 not permit your son or daughter to attend unsupervised events. 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



Brian Edwards
Assistant Commissioner, Officer in Charge Surrey Detachment

LEADERSHIP IN LEARNING



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.

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