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Principal's Message

To the Earl Marriott School Community,

It is the end of the beginning of the school year, and fall is upon us. There have already been some wonderful events and school year milestones at EMS. We thank Chief Harley from the Semiahmoo Nation for visiting our school and walking alongside our students as we discussed the work of reconciliation during Truth and Reconciliation Day at the end of September. We were impressed by the costume and spooky spirit of our students and staff during Hallowe'en, and we appreciate the preparations that are going into our Remembrance Day Observance on Friday, November 7th.

We recently communicated with parents during our Informal Reporting Week. You should now have some sense of how things are going for your student in their classes. Our next report will be during the week of November 17th. It will be a full Learning Update and will include Proficiency Scale indicators and letter grades where applicable along with strength-based descriptive comments about student progress. These reports will be available through MyEDBC. If you are having problems logging in, please connect with us prior to the report.

The 2025/26 Parent Advisory Committee also met and elected an executive recently. Thank you to all of those that have volunteered to be part of this vital group. Meetings are monthly and always open to EMS parents and families. It's a great way to keep up to date with school events and issues we are tackling. The next meeting will be in our school library at 6:30pm on November 24th. See you there!

All the best,

Graham Magnusson

Proud Principal

Upcoming in November:

- 5 Gr. 9 Take Our Kids to Work
- 7 Remembrance Day Assemblies
- 10 Non-Instructional Day—no classes
- 11 Remembrance Day—school closed
- 13 Early Dismissal @2:03
- 19 Grad Pasta Dinner
- 20 Formal Learning Update Published in MyEd
- 24 PAC Meeting @6:30 pm—Library



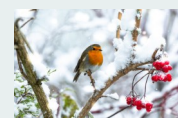
Upcoming in December:

- 3&4 One Act Play Festival
- 16 Winter Band Concert
- 19 Waffle Breakfast/Last Day before Winter Break



Upcoming in January:

- 5 School Re-opens
- 23 Semester 1—Last Day of Classes
- 26 PAC Meeting @6:30 pm—Library
- 26&27 Course Completion Days
- 28 Semester 2—First Day



Earl Marriott Theatre Company News



Matilda - Thanks for the memories and support!

All of us want to thank our school and community for their fantastic support of our epic musical from last year, **Matilda the Musical**. Based on the spellbinding writing of Roald Dahl, filled with extraordinary characters and an incredible collection of songs, this show was a hit. A special thank you to the EMS PAC Committee from all of our cast and crew for your generous help in producing the show. It was a dynamic, challenging and fun show for all of us to work on.

2025-2026 Productions and Plans

80 students came out to learn more about our production plans for this year! They wanted to know about audition opportunities and how to get involved helping behind the scenes. Over 50 students came out to audition for our One Acts and Mainstage show! This was a tremendous turnout and we are excited to know that so many students love Theatre.

One Act Play Festival

Our legendary One Act Play Festival returns this coming December 3 and 4. Our One Act Festival is a collection of short plays directed by senior EMS Theatre students. Working with Ms. Radcliffe, eight Grade 12 Theatre students will be directing and producing four comic plays featuring students from all grades. Our shows have been cast and teams have already begun to rehearse. Technical Theatre students will also be getting involved soon, to create the light and sound design for the shows. Overall, we will have close to 40 students in the Company of the One Act Festival this year. Tickets will go on sale in November!

Auditions For the 2026 Mainstage Play

This year we will be producing a full-length play, running from April 13-17, 2026. We are proud to be one of the longest running school theatre companies in Surrey. Audition Call Backs will be happening through the last couple of weeks of October and the official show title and cast will be announced in November.

The year ahead for EMS Theatre is shaping up to be highly energetic, entertaining and inspiring. See you at our own Wheelhouse Theatre in December for the One Acts and in April for our Mainstage play!



The Navigators

SCHOOL-WIDE

Reading Challenge

- ☒ Any grade!
- ☒ Any book! (over 100 pages)
- ☒ Read books!
- ☒ Win prizes!
- ☒ Get smarter!



Did you know...

The **navigator** is the person who steers the ship or directs the driver.

The navigator is usually the **smartest** person in the group.



Instructions:

1. Scan the QR code
2. Fill out the form for **every** book you read.
3. Check outside Room 105 every month for status updates.

Questions? Ask Ms. Ganshorn in room 105 or email ganshorn_s@surreyschools.ca



EMS Learning Commons

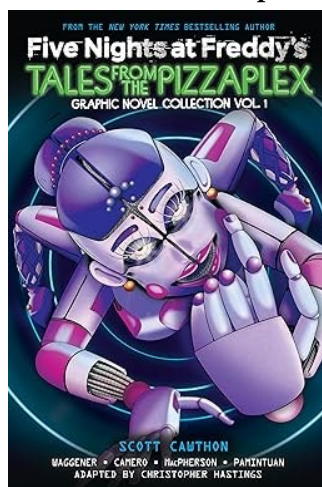
New Books

Nothing Like the Movies



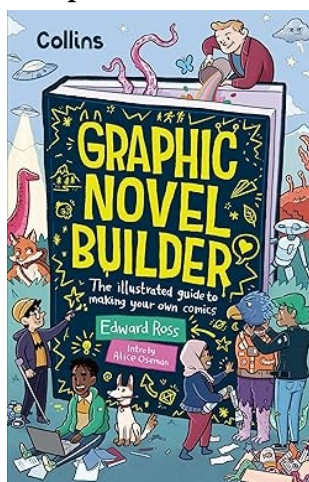
In this highly anticipated sequel to the *New York Times* bestselling *Better Than the Movies*, Wes and Liz struggle to balance their feelings for each other with the growing pains of being college students.

Tales from the Pizzaplex



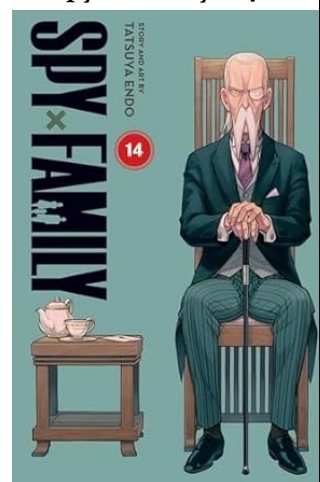
Have you ever ignored your conscience and done something you really knew you shouldn't...? Maya can't resist the temptation to explore an under construction section of Freddy Fazbear's Mega Pizzaplex.

Graphic Novel Builder



The perfect gift for budding artists and aspiring storytellers. Written and illustrated by comic artist Edward Ross with an introduction by Alice Oseman, creator of the best selling *Heartstopper* series.

Spy X Family #14



Master spy Twilight is unparalleled when it comes to going undercover on dangerous missions for the betterment of the world. But when he receives the ultimate assignment—to get married and have a kid—he may finally be in over his head!

Mr. Jaggernathsingh's Student of the Month Program

Each month, a student in each of Mr. Jaggernathsingh's classes is selected as the Student of the Month.

The student stands out as exceptional by exhibiting excellent work habits, completing their homework, and making very insightful contributions to class discussions, and is a role model and leader in the class.

Congratulations to the following students who have received the September Student of the Month Award:

Block A – English 9 – Grace H.

Block B – English 9 – Mia S.

Block C – English 11 FP – Gabby A.

Each student has had their picture taken, and the photograph is proudly placed on Mr. J's Wall of fame in our classroom for all to see! Also, students will be treated to a pizza lunch at the end of the semester.

HALLOWEEN WRITING CONTEST

Our annual Grade 8 and 9 Hallowe'en Writing Contest was a great success. The scary scene set up by Mrs. Fraser's English Studies 12 students inspired our junior creative writers to enter the contest.

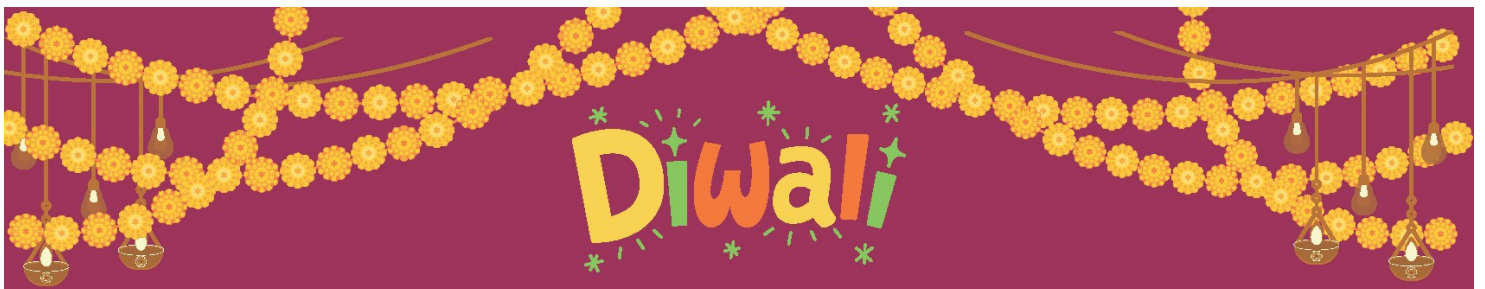
The English Department would like to congratulate Vacha Goswami on her suspenseful short story "The Secret Experiment."



Hallowe'en Costume Contest!

EMS Highlights:





The Multicultural Club hosted a Diwali celebration for students and staff on October 17. Diwali, also called the Festival of Lights, is celebrated by millions of people around the world. It marks the victory of light over darkness and good over evil. During Diwali, families decorate their homes, wear festive clothes, gather with loved ones and enjoy lots and lots of sweets! Students enjoyed making diyas, small clay lamps that symbolize hope and the light we carry within ourselves. At the school entrance, students helped create a rangoli, a colourful artwork traditionally made with sand and powder. Rangoli is placed at the entrance to bless everyone who walks in with good fortune and share those good wishes with our whole school community. And of course, there were samosas!

Happy Diwali to all who celebrate!





Made by: Mohana Karthikeyan, Ipshita Kaushik, Banazer Asadi and Qudsia Asadi





EMS Annual Pasta Night FUNDRAISER

Wednesday, November 19, 2025
Seatings: 5:30 and 7:30

EMS SCHOOL CAFETERIA

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Lasagna - meat, gluten free or vegetarian
Caesar Salad, Buns, Dessert, Coffee and Tea

\$25 online

mocktails for \$2

\$30 at door

Silent Auction

50/50

Tickets:

munchalunch.com/schools/ems



**Proceeds to help support
EMS Dry Grad 2026**



Questions: emsdrygrad2026@gmail.com

Never too early for Holiday Shopping!!!!



Support EMS Dry Grad 2026 with Purdy's Chocolates!

Get a head start on your holiday shopping while supporting our EMS Dry Grad 2026 celebration! All the classic Purdy's holiday favourites are back — from chocolate bells and Santas to Hedgehogs, Mint Melties, and chocolate gift boxes — perfect for gifting or indulging yourself.



Order now through our campaign link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/2160520-129813>

Campaign name: EMS Dry Grad 2026

Campaign number: 81579



Order deadline: November 25, 2025



Pick-up: Early December (exact date to be confirmed)

When placing your order, please include your email and phone number so we can contact you for pickup details.



Share this fundraiser with friends, family, and coworkers — every order helps make our 2026 Dry Grad celebration unforgettable!

Questions? Email us anytime at emsdrygrad2026@gmail.com



Class of 2026 Dry Grad Committee is up and running..... making a memorable send off for our grads of EMS takes a lot of work and many volunteers. Our fundraising events for this special inclusive night are long standing traditions at EMS - Pasta Night, Purdys, Grad Fashion Show, Plant Sale and Duke of Earl – all are invited and encouraged to attend. Parents of Grade 11 students, make sure to come out to our meetings to gather insight into next years' activities – it is very valuable. Grade 12 parents, the more the merrier!

Any questions please contact us at emsdrygrad2026@gmail.com.





Education Planner BC

EPBC: Parents as Education & Career Coaches - Coquitlam, Delta, New Westminister, Richmond, Surrey Region schools

Wednesday, November 12, 2025, 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm PT

Education Planner BC, in collaboration with our school district partners, invites parents, families, and supporters to join our virtual presentation.

Please register for this session if your student attends high school in the Coquitlam, Delta, New Westminister, Richmond, Surrey Region.

Come explore our website! Learn about post-secondary education and career opportunities, and resources to support your student in planning for their future. The information will be especially helpful for families with students in grades 10-12.

Search thousands of programs, get to know trades, and discover career paths. Find helpful resources, including financial aid options, admission requirements, FAQs, and the Glossary. Learn how to create an account, save programs, paths, and careers to My List, and apply to post-secondary in B.C.

Registration is required. The session will be on MS Teams. For additional resources, visit our [Parents & supporters page](#).

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

6:30 pm - 7:45 pm PT

Online

[Register here](#)

Information: support@educationplannerbc.ca

<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/896d9ea1-86f9-4163-8531-5a599175822d@31f68b85-2fd5-401e-88a4-bda85d3294bo>

Immunizations are coming for students in Grade 9 and 10



Public Health Nurses will be at **Earl Marriott Secondary** school to provide immunizations on:

Nov/27/2025

If you haven't provided consent yet, you can consent for immunizations online at, immunizationconsent.gov.bc.ca/s/ or you can fill out the paper consent form and return it to the school by **Nov/07/2025**.

How do I know if the child is up to date on vaccines?

Check your child's immunization record by going to immunizationconsent.gov.bc.ca/s/ and reviewing their Immunization history to see what they have had and "Immunizations Forecasted" to see what they need.

What if the child had vaccines but they are not on their immunization record?

If the child's record is missing vaccines they have already had, please do the following:

1. Find the paper record at home, if you were given one at the time of vaccination.
2. If you do not have records at home, contact the health care provider who gave the vaccines and ask for a copy of the immunization record.
3. Provide a copy of the immunization record you have to your local Public Health Unit or bring a copy to the upcoming school immunization clinic.
4. Report these immunizations online by either scanning this QR code or by going to FraserHealth.ca/immunizationform.



School & Wellness Public Health Nurses

White Rock Public Health - 604-542-4079