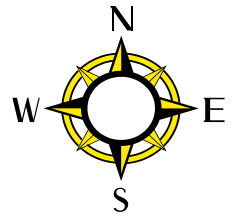


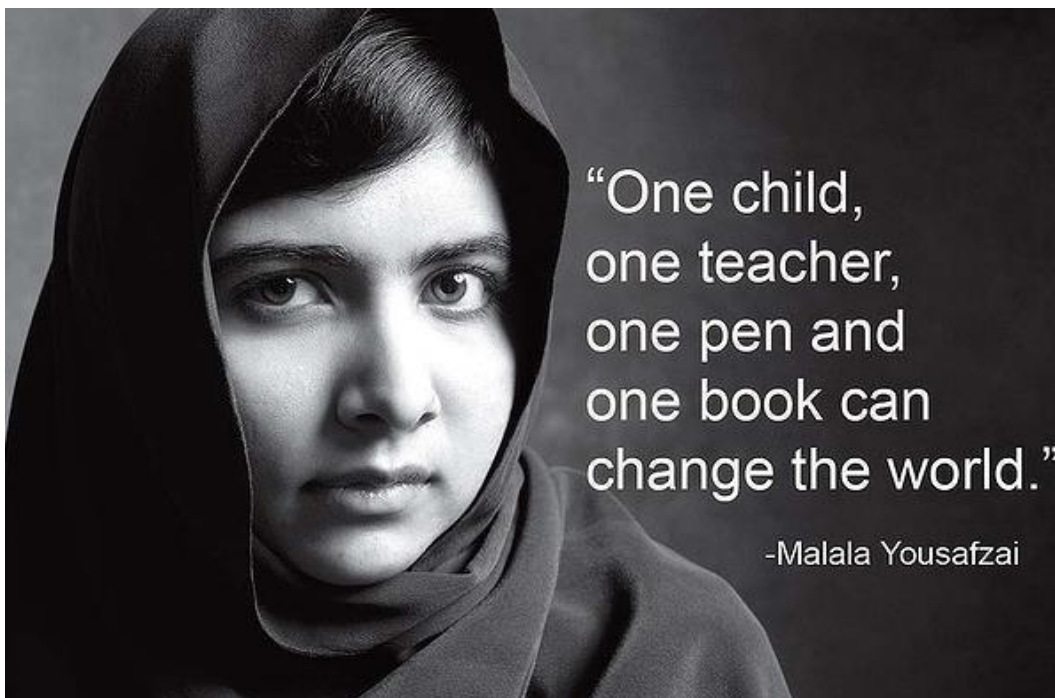


FRIDAY COMPASS



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Quotation Of The Week:



The Week Ahead:

Monday, June 5, 2017	
Tuesday, June 6, 2017	
Wednesday, June 7, 2017	Grade 7 Scavenger Hunt
Thursday, June 8, 2017	Athletics Awards Ceremony, 5:30 – 8:30pm
Friday, June 9, 2017	SSSAA Awards Ceremony

Upcoming Events:

Friday, June 21 – Yearbook Distribution

Kudos to:

Surrey Students Win Top Awards At Provincial French Public Speaking Competition

Vancouver -- 10,000 students from across British Columbia competed, 264 made the provincial finals, and 6 students took home top awards in this year's pan-provincial French public speaking competition, Concours d'art oratoire.

"Through participation in Concours, students develop confidence and improve their French but as well their skills in time management, listening and critical thinking. Ultimately they become more effective as communicators, capable of inspiring others," said Diane Tijman, President of Canadian Parents for French BC & Yukon.

"We are so proud of all our Concours participants. Bravo à vous tous et toutes pour votre belle participation!" she added.

This year marked the 34th anniversary of the Canadian Parents for French BC & Yukon sponsored Concours d'art oratoire. The provincial finals were hosted Saturday, May 6th at SFU Surrey.

Julia Albert received silver with her presentation "La consommation nous consomme"

This Week at EMS - Principal's Message: May 29th – June 2nd :

Happy Friday morning everyone,

We are now in June and in the midst of year-end activities and planning for next school year. The school is "humming" with activity. Earl Marriott Secondary is an exciting and interesting place to work and learn!

As communicated on our website last week, we are excited to share that Earl Marriott Secondary will be returning to a four-block bell schedule for the 2017-2018 school year. Thank you to everyone who provided feedback and questions as we went through the Bell schedule review process. Please see the Bell Schedule Announcement letter for more details.

<https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/earlmarriott/Publications/Bell%20Schedule%20Announcement%20-%20May%202017.pdf>

The screenshot shows the website header for Earl Marriott Secondary with the motto "To Strive, To Seek, To Find, and Not to Yield". Navigation tabs include ME, MY OFFICE, MY GROUPS, MY SCHOOL, and DISTRICT. A secondary navigation bar lists School Home, About the School, Departments, Extra-curricular, Parents, Students, Teachers & Staff, and News & Other. The main content area features a news article titled "Bell Schedule 2017/18" dated May 26, 2017. The article text states: "RE: Update - 2017/18 Bell Schedule. We are very pleased and excited to be able to share with you that, after a comprehensive review the District has approved us to return to a four-block bell schedule at Earl Marriott Secondary beginning September 2017. Once again, we wish to thank parents, staff, students and community members for their feedback and questions. We have worked with the District and staff to develop a four-block bell schedule that will take into account the feedback received regarding the start time and will take into account bussing schedules and after school extra curricular activities. Please click here to see Bell Schedule Announcement letter." To the right of the text is a calendar icon with the word "SCHEDULE" overlaid. At the bottom of the article are "Manage alerts" and "Add new alert" links, and "Manage stories" and "Add new story" links.

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On Monday at our Professional Development Day, our staff learned more about International Education and the learning needs of our students. Thank you to Ms. Bakgaard for your years of Pro-D leadership. Also, thank you to Ms. Garbe, Ms. Pineda-Klenk and Ms. Liang for taking on this important work for next year.

On Monday evening, the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) held their final meeting of the year. Thank you to PAC President Ms. Stacey MacDonald for your leadership and support. The PAC is an important component of the EMS community. Meetings are held on the last Monday of each month, and all parent/ guardians are welcome to attend.



This week we have welcomed all of our incoming Mariners into the school for the “Grade 7 Tours”. Ms. Amyotte and our Leadership students have been wonderful hosts and tour guides.

The Grade 7’s have had the chance to visit and participate in several classes, tour the school and meet new friends. Thank you to all staff who have participated in the tours. We have provided a warm and reassuring welcome to our new students. I would also like to thank Ms. Radcliffe and the TV and Film students for producing our excellent EMS promotional video. Great work everyone!

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We've had a busy week hosting Grade 7 students this week! Grade 7 students were toured by amazing Mariner volunteers, who guided the Grade 7s through a variety of stations at the school. Thank you so much to our volunteers and to all of the staff who opened their doors to help our future mariners feel welcomed and excited for the start of a new school year!

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The Administration team has been very busy this week with interviews for the Round 2 Transfer process. We have 6 posted positions, and will be able to introduce our newest Mariner staff soon.

On Tuesday afternoon, we had the opportunity to meet incoming Principal Ms. Claudine Davies and incoming Vice Principal Mr. Doug Ratzlaff at our Staff Meeting. I know that both Claudine and Doug are very excited to be joining the EMS family and that they will be warmly welcomed.

On Thursday at lunch, our Yearbook class was in action! They are very busy promoting this year's Yearbook. Yearbook distribution day is on June 21st and all students are reminded that now is the time to purchase your book. Each year our students work so hard to produce a beautiful book of memories of the school year. It is a very important tradition for the school. Thank you to Ms. Van Weerden and all of our Yearbook students for your months of hard work, creativity and dedication.



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Today was the final “Tea and Tour” for Grade 7 parents. We were able to show a “behind the scenes” glimpse of the school in action. As I have toured through the building, showing Earl Marriott Secondary to new parents over the past month, I have been so impressed with the smiles and warmth conveyed to our groups. We have communicated to parents that their children are very fortunate and are coming to a very special place. Our tours have clearly demonstrated this! Thank you everyone.

Today in the library is our Grade 10 Mock Interview presentations. Students in Planning 10 are given the opportunity to practice their interview skills with members of our community. This is an excellent chance to learn new skills. Thank you Ms. Garrett and our Career Education and Planning Departments for coordinating the event. Thanks also goes to all of our community of volunteers who are assisting with the day.



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Enjoy your weekend everyone, although the last few days have been wet and overcast (perfect weather for the geese ☺), we have some sunshine in the forecast.



All the best,

Ken

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“To value the most precious treasures of Earl Marriott Secondary School: the minds, hearts, and well-being of its people.”

" Mettre de l'avant les valeurs qui font la fierté de EMS: l'esprit, le coeur et le bien-être de sa communauté"

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