

# Newsletter

## June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018



### JUNE 2018

**Thursday June 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Surrey Nature Park Fieldtrip**  
**8:45-12:30**

**Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**Spring Fair**  
**10:00-2:00**

**Monday June 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Science World Fieldtrip**  
**8:20-2:15**

**Tuesday June 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Forsythe Nature Park Fieldtrip**  
**11:00-2:15**

**Wednesday June 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**PAC Meeting**  
**2:30**  
**New Kindergarten Parent Meeting (2018-2019 K's)**  
**6:00-7:00**

**Tuesday June 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**Redwood Park Fieldtrip 12:30-2:15**

**Wednesday June 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**Welcome to Kindergarten (2018-2019 kindergarten class)**  
**1:00-2:00**

**Thursday June 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**Parent Appreciation Tea**  
**1:25-2:25**

**Friday June 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Games Day**  
**8:45-1:30**

**Monday June 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Crescent Beach Fieldtrip**  
**All Day**



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# EAST KENSINGTON ELEMENTARY

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## Dear Parents,

We had a lovely afternoon at Keery Park yesterday. We found salmonberries ("Don't eat any wild berries unless an adult says it is safe.") and horse tail ("They are good for scrubbing pots."). We found a bumblebee nest in a stump and lots of other insects and non-insects. The children are working on their bravery and balance by high log walking. We are so lucky to have our own pocket forest to access nature so close to the school. Thank you, parents, for joining us on our walk.



Our garden is growing beautifully! Thank you to parents for helping to build, paint and plan the renewal of the garden area. The children love to see how things are growing and are on the lookout for mason bees taking up residence in the bee hotel! We will be harvesting our potatoes in a week or two. You will be welcome to our potato feast soon after.

We have a busy June ahead of us! Staff have planned many fun-filled field trips and events for our last month of school.

### Here is a summary of what's coming up:

We head to **Surrey Nature Centre** at 14225 Green Timbers Way, Surrey, BC V3T 0J2 tomorrow. We will participate in the Tree-mendous Program lead by the centre staff. We leave the school at 8:45 a.m. Thank you to our parent drivers. If you have not paid the \$4.00 for this program, please pay online: <https://schoolcashionline.com>

On Monday, June 11 we take our first bus trip to **Science World**. We will **leave promptly at 8:30 a.m.** Please have your child at school by 8:20 am for attendance. Please pack a nutritious litter-less lunch and a water bottle.

Our trip to **Forsyth Park** on Tuesday, June 12 is by the invitation of the designers of this new outdoor playground. They have kindly offered to serve us a pizza lunch. We will leave the school at 11:00 am.

Our last **Redwood Park** trip is on Tuesday, June 19 from 12:30-2:00 pm.

We are planning to spend a day at **Crescent Beach** on Monday, June 25. Details to come.

Wednesday June 27<sup>th</sup>

Kindergarten Graduation  
12:45

Thursday June 28<sup>th</sup>

Year End Slide Show  
11:00

Family Picnic  
11:45

Early Dismissal at 1:25

Last Day of School Before  
Summer Break

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# Parent Appreciation Tea

Our staff invite all parents and guardians to our **Parent Appreciation Tea** on **Thursday, June 21 from 1:25- 2:25 pm**. Ms. Blackman our music teacher has been preparing some songs to share with families this afternoon. This is our chance to thank parents for everything you do to make our little EKOLogy school the wonderful learning community it is.

**Games Day** will be on Friday, June 22 from 8:45 am until 1:30 pm. We will start with a decorated wheeled parade and then gather in teams for some fun relays and silly games. We will serve a pizza lunch. Parents interested in helping to run a little concession stand and coordinate the pizza lunch can contact me in person or drop me an email: [stanger\\_k@surreyschools.ca](mailto:stanger_k@surreyschools.ca). More information to come.



This has been a big year for the youngest students at East Kensington and we would like to celebrate this school milestone with a **Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony** at 12:45 pm on Wednesday, June 27. Kindergarten parents, families and friends are invited. We would also like to extend the invitation to all of the families in our school community to attend the ceremony to congratulate our littlest grads.

Our final day of school is Thursday, June 28. At 11:00 a.m., families are invited to attend our **Year-End Assembly** with a slideshow retrospective of our first year as an outdoor learning school. We will follow this with a **Family Picnic**. This is an early dismissal day. Students will be dismissed at 1:25 p.m.



**Welcome to Kindergarten** will be hosted on Wednesday, June 20 at 1:00 pm for children starting kindergarten at East Kensington this September.

Here is an interesting article about the need for risky play:

[https://theconversation.com/amp/why-kids-need-risk-fear-and-excitement-in-play-81450?\\_twitter\\_impression=true](https://theconversation.com/amp/why-kids-need-risk-fear-and-excitement-in-play-81450?_twitter_impression=true)





## PAC INFORMATION



Our East Kensington Spring Fair is on Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

If you have some free time and would like to help out please come to the school at 5:00 on Friday evening or Saturday morning at 8:00 am.

Should be fun and we hope to see you all there!!

Please make sure you return any sold and unsold raffle tickets to the school by 2:30 pm Friday June 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Our Next PAC Meeting is June 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:30

Everyone is welcome. We will be doing some planning for next year. Hope to see you there!

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