### Newsletter May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019



Monday May 20th

Victoria Day – School not in session

Friday May 24th

**Games Day** 

Monday May 27th

Professional Development Day - School not in session

Tuesday May 28th

Div. 2 & 3 To Keery Park Friday May 31st

Hot Lunch – White Spot Div. 2 – A Rocha Fieldtrip

### June 2019

Thursday June 6th

Early Dismissal at 1:25

Friday June 7th

Div. 3 – A Rocha Fieldtrip

Tuesday June 11th

Div. 2 & 3 To Keery Park

Tuesday June 18th

Div. 2 & 3 To Keery Park

Wednesday June 19th

**Parent Appreciation Tea 1:45** 

Friday June 21st

Hot Lunch – Pizza & Booster
Juice

Tuesday June 25th

Kindergarten Graduation 12:45

Thursday June 27th

**Slide Show & Family Picnic** 



# EAST KENSINGTON ELEMENTARY

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# Reminders about the Parking lot and Student Safety

Please enter the parking lot through the 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue entrance. Exit out the 184<sup>th</sup> Street access. Please **turn off your cars** while you wait to avoid exhaust fumes. It is school district policy that **prohibits smoking** of any substances on or near school grounds.



When you take your child to school, remember to **press the crosswalk button**, watch that cars have actually stopped, then walk your children across the crosswalk. Avoid walking through the staff parking lot. Walk your child along the pathway to the undercover area to keep them safe from cars.

If you have concerns about the safety of our crosswalk, please contact the City of Surrey to request that they paint school zone signs directly on the road. I have already asked for that from the city and have called the RCMP about traffic safety, but the more we let the city know that this is an issue, the better.

# 10:45 Early Dismissal at 1:25 Friday June 28<sup>th</sup> Administrative Day - School Closed



All students should ride in the back seat using appropriately sized car seats or booster seats until they are at least 18 kg (40 lbs) are to be secured in a booster seat, up to their ninth birthday or 145 cm (4'9") tall, whichever comes first.

— In a booster seat in a seating position with a lap belt, if lap/shoulder seatbelt is not available



Friday, May 24 8:55 am – 1:45 pm

Come Join in the Fun! We hope to see you there!

Dear Parents/Guardians:

You are invited to our Games Day on Friday, May 24.

We have placed your children in squads within Teams for Games Day. Below are the teams.

The children are encouraged to get in the spirit of the day by dressing in their Ecosystem **team colours** and **squad symbols** (costumes, pictures of the animal or objects associated with it).

Scrounge around in your dress-up bins and consignment stores to find clothing and accessories to get into the theme!

We will have a **wheeled parade** to start off our Games Day at 8:45. You child can decorate their bike, scooter, or wagon in their Squad animal symbols and team colours. We will be awarding Team Points for **team spirit** for the bike decorating and costumes.

We will collect points for cooperation/teamwork and relays throughout the day. At the end of the day, the team with the most points will get a huge cheer! (Followed by cheers for all of the teams!)

We hope you are able to join us this Friday and cheer for your child on.

Sincerely, The Staff at East Kensington

### **EKOLogy**

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#### **Lawn Chairs**

Parents are welcome to bring their lawn chairs and enjoy the day.

#### Food & Refreshments

Our PAC will be providing a free pizza lunch for all students. Students should pack their own healthy snack and water bottle. Parents may wish to bring a lunch, snacks and water for themselves to stay energized for the day!

### Events will end at approximately 1:25 pm\*

\*Students may go home with parents at that time. Remaining students will be supervised until regular dismissal time at 2:25 p.m.



# Don't forget sunscreen, hats, and long-sleeved shirts to protect your children and yourselves from the sun!

8:30 Students meet in classrooms for morning

attendance

**8:45** Wheeled Parade

(Pre-schoolers welcome!)

**9:00** Students go to chair on field marked with Squad animal and Team colour. Award points for colour teams.

9:15 - 10:15 Games

10:15 - 10:30 Snack and washroom break - bring your own snack

10:35 - 11:45 Games

11:45 - 12:30 Pizza Lunch Provided by

12:30 Students meet their teacher for attendance

**12:35 – 12:55** Running Races (preschool, Div. 2, Div. 1)

**12:55 – 1:20** Tug of Rope

1:20 Litter pick-up

Team Points and cheers

**1:45** Dismissal from field

#### **Games Day Teams**

Team	Forest	Sky	Ocean	Wetland
Squad	Bears	Robins	Blue Whales	Frogs
Division 1	Brenden Stella	Matayas Grace	Chase Ty	Teagan Emma AJ
Division 2	Thaydian Nora Isabelle	Preston Oliver	Ewan Brayden Aria	Omar Arianna
Division 3	Finlay Leven	Emmett Addison Linden	Jessica Henry	Chayton Eberley Sophia
Squad	Deer	Woodpeckers	Humpbacks	Dragonflies
Division 1	Grayson Magnus	Brayden Xander	Haden Keaton	Sahana Will
Division 2	Henry Derrick	Gavin Hattie Salel	Anakin Gabe	Kaiva Caleb Dalton
Division 3	Domenic Alastair Aria	Ray Immanuel	Luke Darragh	Kora Isabelle

## 2019-2020 School Year

If you know your child will not be returning to our school next year, please let the office know as soon as possible as we are working on our new registrations for the 2019-2020 year. It is helpful for us to know how many spots we will have in our program. We have a waitlist for some grades so new families are anxiously awaiting a call that we can fit them in!

### **PAC NEWS**





Our next Hot Lunch is White Spot on Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> for those that ordered.

Our Annual General Meeting is on Thursday May 30<sup>th t</sup> at 5:30. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come out. At this meeting, we will be voting in our new executive for next year!

### **SPRING FAIR**

We are looking for vendors for our Spring Fair! This Fair is in support of our PAC and EKOLogy program.

This event will incorporate a vendor market along with family friendly arts, crafts, activities, games, food and more!

At this time, we are looking for Handmade Products, produce, flowers, etc.

We are also looking for people who would like to set up interactive booths to advertise for their business. Some ideas for things you could set up are obstacle courses, twister, face painting, etc.

Please email <u>eastkensingtonpac@gmail.com</u> for more information.



# Crossing Guard

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in taking over as East Kensington's crossing guard please call Len at 604-597-4787. This is a volunteer position that receives \$13.50 an hour as an expense donation (meaning there are no deductions for income tax etc. taken off the \$13.50). Hours are 8:00 am to 9:00 am and 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm school days.

### **A Rocha Summer Day Camps**

Children will have fun singing songs, making crafts, playing games, and learning more about the ecology of our temperate rain forest environment at our summer day-camps! For ages 6-12 (must have completed Kindergarten). A Rocha is an environmental center that produces and sells organically grown vegetables and eggs, does conservation work in the Little Campbell River watershed, and educates children and adults about how to enjoy and care for the environment. A Rocha is located at 16th and 192nd. The day camp runs from 9am-3pm. Each week is the same so just sign up for the one that fits your schedule best.

Register and read more

here: <a href="https://arocha.ca/events/category/brooksdale/day-camps/list/">https://arocha.ca/events/category/brooksdale/day-camps/list/</a>

Week 1: July 22-26 (\$190)

Week 2: July 29-August 2 ((\$190)

Week 3: August 6-9 (\$152)

### A Rocha Community Supported Agriculture Program

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) puts a face and a place on your food. Participants buy a share in the farm and receive a weekly box of fresh, organically grown produce throughout the season. Our CSA program runs for 20 weeks from early June to late October. Each box contains 8-12 items per week. Pick up days are Tuesday or Friday afternoons. Pick up locations include A Rocha Farm (10 minutes from East Kensington) or delivery to East Vancouver, Kitsilano, South Burnaby, and Coquitlam.

Interested in learning more about our CSA program? Learn more here: <a href="https://arocha.ca/where-we-work/brooksdale/brooksdale-csa/">https://arocha.ca/where-we-work/brooksdale/brooksdale-csa/</a>