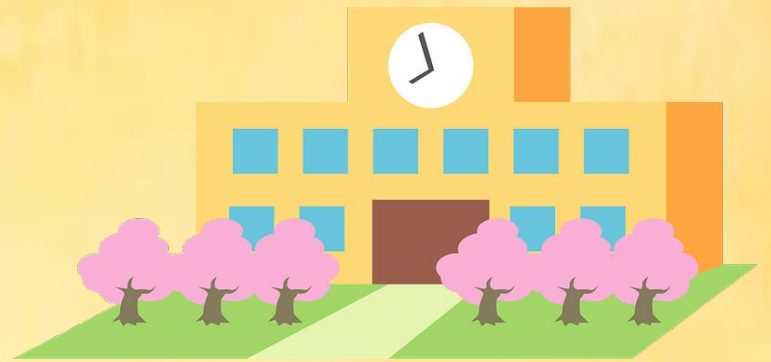


Oaklands School

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April 12, 2024

A very big Thank You to everyone who helped with the Oaklands Courtyard-Garden cleanup last weekend. The garden looks beautiful and everyone had a wonderful time working together and taking good care of this place. Thank you to Domino's for the awesome pizza lunch :)



If your child is **not** in grade 5 and you are **not** planning on attending Oaklands next school year please let the office know as soon as possible.



Oaklands Intermediate Spring Concert

When: Thursday, May 2nd at 6pm

Who: Divisions 1-10, Grade 5 Strings, Choir

More information to come!

Important Dates

Monday, April 15

PAC General Meeting

Thursday, April 18

Young Entrepreneurs Market

2:45 PM -4:00 PM

Thursday, May 2

Intermediate Spring Concert

6:00 PM

Friday, May 3

Hot Lunch - Pizza

Wednesday, May 7

Class Photos

Thursday, May 9

Student Led Conferences

Early Dismissal

Monday, May 13

Hot Lunch - Booster Juice

Friday, May 17

Professional Development Day

No School for Students

Monday, May 20

Victoria Day - No School

Friday, May 24

Oaklands Totem Celebration

Thursday, May 30

Track - City Finals



Rugby Schedule

April

Monday 15th – Practice

Wednesday 17th – Away Game at James Bay

Friday 19th – Practice

Monday 22nd – Home Game v. McKenzie

Wednesday 24th – Game Day

Thursday 25th - Away Game at Macaulay

Friday 26th – Game Day

Tuesday 30th – Home Game v. George Jay

May

Wednesday 1st – Away Game at Vic West

Friday 3rd – No Rugby

Monday 6th – Game Day

Wednesday 8th – In School Practice

Friday 10th – Final Rugby Tournament

- All Practices run from 2:40 – 4:00pm
- Schedule is subject to change.
- Further information on games will be sent out by email.



LOST and FOUND

All lost and found items will be donated by the end of next week. Please take time to check if any of the lost and found items belong to your children.

Spring Cross Country begins in April.

Grade 3, 4 or 5 students are invited to participate. Practices will be on Tuesday and Thursdays at lunch recess 11:50 - 12:10. Lunch monitors will be finished in time to do their jobs.

Students should come on Thursday April 4th for the first practice and to collect a parent waiver and information form. There will be a reminder announcement.

After school race dates: Tuesday April 23rd, April 30th and May 7th. All races begin with grade 3 girls at 3:45 and end with grade 5 boys. Race reminders and maps will be in our Oaklands Friday Newsletters.

We look forward to another great season!





Oaklands Elementary Young Entrepreneurs Market

Date: Thursday April 18th

Some of our grade 4 & 5 classes have been learning about starting a small business by creating and marketing their own unique products! They are ready to sell to students, friends, and family. Join us for this unique event!



Time:

- **Oaklands classes** are invited to attend between 10:45am – 2:15pm
- **Family and friends** are welcome from 2:45pm – 4:00pm

Location:

- **Gym**



Quarters, loonies, toonies, \$5 bills, and \$10 bills (in a Ziploc) for easy change making.



Items Include: stress balls, bath bombs, slime, charms, bookmarks, crayons, pencil cases, stickers, necklaces, rice bags, pet rocks, magnets, and much more!

PAC NEWS

The PAC is excited to welcome Island Sexual Health on Thursday, April 25th at 6:00pm in the school library. This presentation will discuss subjects relevant to all ages from kindergarten to grade 5, and encourage all parents and caregivers to attend. This event is strictly for adults only ~ thank you for your understanding.

Sophie Lewis, BA (she/her) has worked with Island Sexual Health since 2021 as a part of the dynamic maturation education team specializing in the late elementary years. Previous to her work with Island Sexual Health, Sophie worked in sexual health in the UK for the NHS. Sophie brings warmth, enthusiasm, and humour to the work she does which pairs well with the big life topics such as growing up and puberty.

The Approachable Adult

with Sophie Lewis, Island Sexual Health

RECCOMENDED FOR PARENTS OF GRADE 4 & 5 STUDENTS

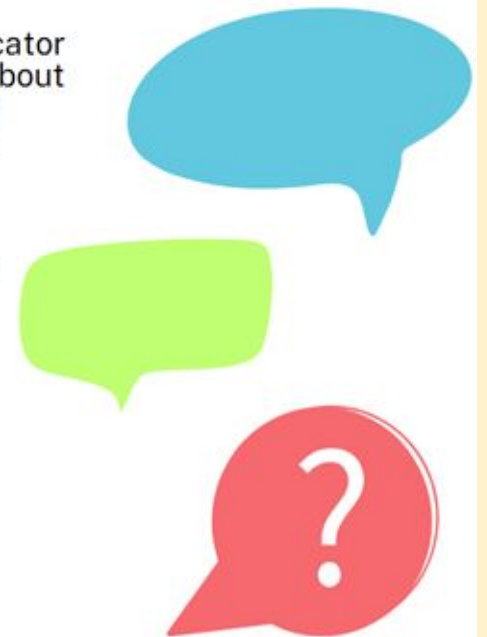
The workshop will support the role of parents & caregivers as the primary sexuality educator for their children. This presentation aims to provide adults with an opportunity to learn about positive sexuality and become more comfortable discussing sexuality and sexual health issues with the youth in their lives, encouraging a *preventative approach* as opposed to a *reactive approach* to sexuality education with youth.

The following topics are covered:

- Stages of childhood sexual development & what children should know at each stage
- Teaching tips and specific examples of ways to explain bodies & body processes
- Strategies for answering the tough questions children ask
- Tips for incorporating values, beliefs, religion, & culture into sexuality education
- Ideas for using popular culture & media as a teaching tool
- Resources for parents to review & information to take home

Thursday, April 25, 2024: 6 - 8pm (Oaklands library)

Please note this workshop is for parents & caregivers only.



PAC General Meeting

Monday, April 15th 6:00 PM

Microsoft Teams

[Join the meeting now HERE](#)

Meeting ID: 270 303 902 034

Passcode: qxj9RW

PAC NEWS

The PAC could use some extra hands to help run the Swap and Shop. If you are able to volunteer please sign up here: <https://volunteersignup.org/CDBF9>



SPRING SWAPSHOP

Exchange your clean & gently used kids & adult

CLOTHING
TOYS
BOOKS

SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH: 11AM - 1PM
OAKLANDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Entry by donation in support of Oaklands Food Security Programs.

OAKLANDS
PAC

The City of Victoria have a project on Lionel Street planned for this Spring. They will be constructing a sidewalk letdown on Lionel Street, aligned with the school gate entrance (see photo below). This work is an outcome of the 2022-2023 Ready Step Roll process that Oaklands Elementary participated in with the CRD and City. Through this process, the school community identified the need for a sidewalk letdown to allow bicycles and other mobility devices to access the school entrance path from the roadway.

The scheduled week for this work is still TBD, but we anticipate it to take 1-2 weeks, with temporary traffic diversions and parking removal at times. The scope of the work will include some minor sidewalk reconstruction, and introducing some new yellow curb adjacent to the new ramp, to ensure parked vehicles do not encroach on this access point.



Borrow a Bike Lock – Now Available at Oaklands Elementary

We're excited to be partnering with the City of Victoria and Project 529 to provide high quality u-locks to students, parents and visitors to borrow when riding their bikes or scooters to school – just ask office staff! Locks are also available to borrow for free at nearly 25 other locations across Victoria – visit victoria.ca/bikeparking for more information.

Please note that the City of Victoria (the City), Project 529, and the Greater Victoria School District do not assume any responsibility for property (including bikes) if lost, stolen or damaged. By borrowing the bike lock and key and participating in the program, the borrower (or legal guardian) accepts all liability associated with the use of the lock and key.



First Tee Program at Oaklands Community Association

AFFORDABLE Learn-to-Play Golf Program!
Instruction is focused on the fundamentals of golf: putting, chipping, pitching, and full swing.

Session Dates & Times:
5-week program | 1 day a week | 1-hour sessions

Tuesdays | April 16th – May 14th
04/16 | 04/23 | 04/30 | 05/07 | 05/14

Ages 7-9: 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Ages 10-13: 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Cost: By Donation

Coaches:

- Brian H., Head Coach

Additional Information:

- 6-participant capacity
- Previous golf skills are NOT required.
- Golf equipment is NOT required; equipment will be provided for participants during each session.

Email fristteebc@golfcanada.ca for registration link(s)

REGISTER HERE



1-2827 Belmont Ave
for more info call
250-370-9101

DROP-IN FLOOR HOCKEY

ages 9-17

Fridays | Apr 5 – Jun 21
4:30 - 5:30 pm

at Oaklands Elementary Gym

oca.recdesk.com



Check out the two minute Victoria Foundation video celebrating 1000X5 and our contributions to early literacy. Thanks to all of you for making this project happen.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wcoGk5sM6TE8fbOnxmMEKImv0WvuPtvN/view?usp=sharing>

Take your extra baby and preschooler books to the pink bin across from the library! Help change a child's future.

RECREATIONAL GAMES
AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT
WITH AN EMPHASIS ON FUN!

SOCCER START!

Wednesdays
April 17 - June 5th

4-6 yrs 3 - 4pm
7-9yrs 4 - 5pm

oaklands.life to register
250-370-9101 ext.3 for more info