



THE CORDOVA BAY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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School District No. 63 (Saanich) resides on the traditional territory of the W̱SÁNEĆ people encompassing the five local communities: BO,́KE,́CEN (Pauquachin), MÁLEXEŁ (Malahat), W̱JOŁEŁP (Tsartlip), W̱,SIKEM (Tseycum), and S,TAUTW (Tsawout). We acknowledge and thank the W̱SÁNEĆ people on whose traditional territory we live, learn, and teach. The W̱SÁNEĆ people have lived and worked on this land since time immemorial



February 18, 2022 Pro- D Day - No School

February 21, 2022 - Family Day - No School

February 24, 2022 - Early Dismissal 1:48 pm



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HEALTH & SAFETY UPDATES

The Provincial Health Office has directed school districts to remind parents of the following information:

- All students should be wearing masks if possible on school buses and in classrooms. Masks are required for Kindergarten - Grade 12. Any requests for mask exemptions should be shared with school administration.

Parents, guardians, students and staff are being reminded to wash your hands regularly and perform a Daily Health Check. You can download the K-12 Health Check App at bc.thrive.health.

Please stay home if you are not feeling well.

Why We Family Day

Dear Cordova Bay Parents and Guardians,

At Cordova Bay, our social contract states:

Take care of yourself.

Take care of others.

Take care of this place/world.

As a family of 322 students strong and a staff of over 40, we acknowledge, every day, the importance of how to be together in community, by weaving the teaching of the above values through all we do. In fact, in getting to know our families, we see that these beliefs are equally important at home. Thank you for being such incredible “first teachers” for your child(ren).

At Cordova Bay Elementary, we love Family Day because it is *inclusive* – it celebrates every possible member of a family on one day! This special day also allows us to celebrate the diversity of family structures in our community (two dads, two moms, single family homes, step-moms, step-dads, foster parents, etc.). We truly believe that every “first teacher,” regardless of their title in a family, is vital to the positive growth of each student in our school. Check out SOGI 1,2,3 Parent Brochure for more information on equity, inclusion and diversity in B.C. Schools: <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/58056b68f5e2316903750b43/t/5a96ffb70852290b6c74826c/1519845304594/SOGI+123+Parent+Brochure.pdf>

For Family Day 2022, whether you are out enjoying nature (why not check out Mystic Beach <https://sooke-portrenfrew.com/listings/mystic-beach/>), catching a great movie, taking a short holiday, visiting a local art gallery (see info. about Bateman Nature Gallery below) or simply hanging at home, we wish you a joyful day and hope that it will afford you time to reflect on the multitude of reasons you are grateful for your family.

With gratitude for all you do,

Mrs. ML Heron

Principal



Bateman Foundation

<https://batemanfoundation.org/>

At the Bateman Art Gallery

#300– 470 Belleville St. across from the Legislative Buildings

**Nature is the focus,
art is the medium,
learning is the outcome.**

The Bateman Foundation envisions a world that values Eco literacy and mindfulness, in which the general public knows the names of their neighbours in the natural world. This knowledge and connection is crucial – not only for environmental conservation efforts, but for community -building, the removal of fear and isolation, and the creation of safe spaces in our shared world. Our mission is to build relationships with nature through art. Founded by renowned artist and naturalist Robert Bateman, we use art to understand our environment and unlock creativity.

Open Every Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Adults – \$10

Senior/Students – \$8.50

Youth (ages 5-16) – \$6.00

Child (0-4) – \$0.00

Family (2 adults and up to 3 youth/children) – \$24.00

The gallery understands that a set ticket cost poses a barrier to some marginalized groups so the Gallery has added two late nights openings by donation along with other admission by donation days: every Tuesday + Thursday evening from 4:00pm – 7:00pm, Statutory holidays (when open) and Saturday Art Openings.

Riddle Me This!

I am light and seem to have
no substance at all.

But even the strongest
person in the world can't
hold me for very long.

What am I?

#1

I am often following you and
copying your every move.

Yet you can never touch me
or catch me.

What am I?

#2

What has legs,
but doesn't walk?

#3

What kind of cup
doesn't hold water?

#4

What has lots of eyes,
but can't see?

#5

It's good to stretch me
and push my limits.

The more you use me,
the stronger I get.

When I am sharp,
I am at my best.

What am I?

#6

Answers on last page!



victoria pandora
feb. 26, 2022
our place society

The Coldest Night of the Year is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for local charities serving people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. Team up, walk, and fundraise! It's cold out there... but there's no place like home.



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Hope and Belonging

Raising funds for Our Place Society
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victoria westshore

feb. 26, 2022

our place society westshore &
pacific centre family services assn.

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PACIFIC CENTRE
family services association

Raising funds for Our Place Society Westshore
& Pacific Centre Family Services Assn.

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2022 CORDOVA BAY REGISTRATION

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Answers to Riddles:

- #1. Your Breath**
- #2. Your Shadow**
- #3. A Table**
- #4. A Cupcake/Or Hiccup**
- #5. A Potato**
- #6. Your Brain**

