



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



Spring Break March 21

To April 1



Exploring Indigenous Perspectives - Guided Walk - All ages

Saanich, Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park

Event Information

[Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park](#) (Saanich) Join CRD Regional Parks cultural programmer, Leslie McGarry, for a walk at Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park and discover a human history spanning thousands of years. Learn about the cultural significance of plants, animals and the seasons and how First Peoples deeply respect, appreciate and celebrate gifts from the forest and lake. There is no fee for this program but you must **pre-register by March 8** as space is limited. Visit www.crd.bc.ca/parks-events. BC Transit #70, #72 or #75

[What you need to know](#)

[Register](#)

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.

You are Invited to **FOLKTORIA** - produced by the Greater Victoria Folk Festival Society

The City of Victoria has given a "Go Ahead!" for Folkloria to be held at Centennial Square on Saturday, June 4 from 12:00 to 8:00 pm, and Sunday, June 5, 2022, from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. Folkloria will be celebrating five years. This event is organized and delivered by volunteers from our community. Our sponsors include the City of Victoria, Fairway Markets, Victoria Downtown Business Association.

Your school district has a strategic plan goal about providing an inclusive and culturally responsive learning environment and supporting understanding of the diverse cultures in our community. We applaud your commitment. Our organization reflects forty diverse cultures in our community and brings people together through music and dance.

Folkloria 2021 was held **virtually** for the weekend of June 5/6. <https://youtu.be/MYipm9QAb3I>

Folkloria 2020 was held **virtually** for Saturday June 6, and Sunday June 7.
<https://www.facebook.com/Folkathome/>

Website: <https://www.folkloria.ca/>

Volunteers Needed!

You may have noticed that the Cordova Bay Cedars' Garden is looking a little worse for wear!

We'd like to get it cleaned up and ready for spring planting.
If you are able to help out, we will be hosting two clean up days:
Saturday February 26 and Saturday March 5
10:00 am until 2:00 pm each day



Please be prepared with appropriate clothing and footwear, a water bottle, gloves and tools such as shovels, rakes and turning forks (please label your tools so that they will go home with you!). A couple of wheelbarrows would be helpful as well.

If you have a pickup truck and wouldn't mind taking a load to the Saanich yard, that would be great!



*kids welcome, but they are their parents' responsibility!



**Female Indian
Runner Duck**

Would you like to adopt some ducks? One of our Kindergarten classes will be hatching some ducks and are looking for a home or homes for them once they are ready. If you are interested, please let us know!

Ducks are **highly intelligent and emotional creatures**. They can understand commands, play with toys, play games, give kisses, and beg for snuggles like other birds if you take the time to work with them. If handled frequently and gently from an early age, ducks will become quite sociable with people.



**Khaki Drake
Male**



**GREATER
VICTORIA
FESTIVAL
SOCIETY**



**MARCH 13
11AM-3PM**



**GOVT FROM
YATES TO FORT
VICTORIA, BC**

**GAMES & FOOD
ENTERTAINMENT**

FREE ENTRY

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