

ÉCOLE POIRIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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École Poirier Elementary School "THE BEAR"

December 15th to 19th, 2025

This Week:

| Monday – Dec. 15 th | Whole School Assembly – 10:40pm Yoga Club 12:05pm in the Sealion Way neighbourhood |
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| Tuesday – Dec. 16 th | Lego Club – recess (grades K to 1/2 split) Sing-Along - 1:20pm in the gym - Salish Sea Neighbourhood + portables (Beattie and Ralph-Bruce) Pride Club 12:05pm (Mme Deshane's room) Public Board Meeting - 7:00pm |
| Wednesday – Dec. 17 th | Sing-Along – 1:20pm in the gym - Sealion Way Neighbourhood + portable Choir Practice 12:05 (Music Rm gr2-5) |
| Thursday – Dec. 18 th | Lego Club – recess (grades 2/3 split to 4) Sing-Along – 1:20pm in the gym - Cedar Creek Neighbourhood and Bear Cub Cave Kindergarten classes |
| Friday – Dec. 19 th | Dance Club – 12:05pm in the gym Last day of classes – Winter Break (Dec. 20 to Jan. 4) |

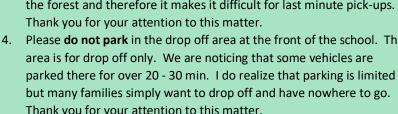
Upcoming Events:

January

- 5 Schools Reopen After Winter Vacation
- 5 Whole School Assembly 10:40pm (gym)
- 6 PAC Meeting
- 12-16 French Immersion K registration
- 15 FIRE Drill @ 10:10am
- 19 French Immersion K Lottery
- 19 Whole School Assembly 10:40pm (gym)
- 20 Public Board Meeting 7:00pm
- 26 30 Literacy Week
- 26-30 Kindergarten Registration
- 30 School Dance Dress as your favorite book character 6 to 8pm - PAC fundraiser

REMINDERS FOR FAMILIES:

- 1. Many students are getting wet at recess and lunch because of our wet weather. Please pack a change of clothes in your child's backpack so that we do not need to bother you to bring your child dry clothes.
- 2. Please send indoor running shoes for the classroom and the gym. These shoes do not need to be new. Many students are trying to run around in the gym with their rubber boots or crocs and these types of footwear are not safe.
- 3. Many parents are calling the school at the last minute (especially on Fridays) for early pick up. If you plan to pick up early, please communicate with the classroom teacher through email and cc Mrs. **Shea.** This is a much easier way to make sure everyone is aware. Classroom teachers often take their classes off school property into the forest and therefore it makes it difficult for last minute pick-ups.
- 4. Please **do not park** in the drop off area at the front of the school. This area is for drop off only. We are noticing that some vehicles are parked there for over 20 - 30 min. I do realize that parking is limited but many families simply want to drop off and have nowhere to go. Thank you for your attention to this matter.











SPA,ET will be hiding around the school again this week. He is a tricky little bear. Keep your eyes open because you never know where he'll turn up.

Poirier Pride Club Fundraiser for the Sooke Shelter Society:

Students are selling gift bags on Tuesday, December 16th at lunch for \$2 each. All the money will go directly to the Sooke Shelter Society. Please put a twoonie in your child's backpack so that they can support this cause (and get a gift bag). Gift bag contents: rainbow candy cane, keychain, button, and a card. Only one per student. Thanks for your support!

Poirier Neighbourhood Holiday Sing-Alongs

Hello Families, we would like to invite you to our neighbourhood singalongs which will be happening in the gym on the following days from 1:20 – 2:00pm. I have listed the teacher's names with the corresponding dates. We hope to see you there to sing along with all of us!

December 16th – Salish Sea Neighbourhood + portables

- Mme Kelly/Mme Jacqueline grade 3FI
- Mr. Thomas grade 1FI
- Ms. Chumber grade 2/3
- Ms. Radsma grade 4/5
- Mr. Thompson grade 4/5
- Mme Beattie K FI
- Mme Ralph-Bruce grade 1 Fl

December 17th – Sealion Way Neighbourhood + portable

- Mme Kristiansen grade 2 FI
- Ms. Mullinix grade K/1
- Mme Deshane grade 4/5 FI
- Mr. Parsons grade 4/5
- Mr. Spelt grade ½
- Mme Dupuis grade 4/5 FI

December 18th – Cedar Creek Neighbourhood and Bear Cub Cave Kindergarten classes

- Mr. Karleen grade 4/5
- Mme Adsett grade 2
- Mrs Green/Mrs Murphy grade3
- Mme Wagner grade 3 Fl
- Mme Tiringer K FI
- Ms. Prochnau grade K/1



It was an exciting "Teddy Bear Toss" game at the Save On Foods Memorial Centre. Here is a photo of Mr. Thompson and Mme Dupuis' classes singing O Canada for the opening of the Victoria Royals game against the Vancouver Giants. Thank you to Mme Arts for organizing this special event for some of our students.





Mme Arts Submitted "Crabbucket" to the CBC Music Class Challenge... Tune In

Did you know that Sooke has it's own radio station? Founded in March, 2024, the Sooke Community Radio Society is a registered non-profit dedicated to bringing a local public radio station to the Sooke and Juan de Fuca region. The station features a rich and varied programming schedule reflecting the unique character of Sooke. On Monday December 15th starting at 4 pm, tune in to sooke.live to hear an interview with Mme Arts about involving Poirier's grade 4 and 5 students in a submission to the CBC Music Class Challenge this fall. https://sooke.live/