



# ÉCOLE POIRIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## École Poirier Elementary School

March 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026 **“THE BEAR”**

### This Week:

<b>Monday – Mar. 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Whole School Assembly 10:40am (gym)</li> <li>- Yoga Club 12:05pm in the Sealion Way Neighbourhood</li> <li>- Jump Rope for Heart – skipping in the gym @ 12:05pm</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday – Mar. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pride Club Mme Deshane's class: Grades 4/5</li> <li>- Jump Rope for Heart – skipping in the gym @ 12:05pm</li> <li>- Reading Link Challenge – gr 4/5 (gym 1:00-2:30)</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday – Mar. 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lego Club – recess 10:20am (grades K to 1/2 split)</li> <li>- Yoga Club 12:05pm in the Sealion Way Neighborhood</li> <li>- Field Trip - Gr 4/5 FI Choir visits the Legislature</li> <li>- Robin Layne Performance @ 1:00pm – thank you to the PAC for helping sponsor this event</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday – Mar. 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lego Club – recess 10:20am (grades 2/3 split to 4)</li> <li>- Second Term Reports will be sent out</li> </ul>
<b>Friday – Mar. 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dance Club – 12:05pm in the gym</li> <li>- Last Day before Spring Break</li> </ul>

### Upcoming Events:

#### March

14 – 29 Spring Break  
30 Schools Reopen After Spring Break  
30 Whole School Assembly 10:40am (gym)  
31 Public Board Meeting - 7:00pm

#### April

3 Good Friday – no school  
6 Easter Monday – no school  
7 PAC Meeting – 7PM please join online  
10 FIRE Drill @ 1:50pm  
13 Whole School Assembly 10:40pm (gym)  
17 Early Dismissal @ 11:40am  
20 Pro D - Non-Instructional Day – no school  
28 Public Board Meeting - 7:00pm  
22 Earth Day and Administrative Assistant Day

### **Purdys Easter Chocolate Fundraiser Is Back!**

It's that sweet time of year again — **Purdys Easter chocolates are now available to order!**

By purchasing your Easter treats through our fundraiser, you're helping the **Poirier PAC earn up to 25% profit**, with all funds going directly back to support programs, activities, and resources for our school. It's truly a **win-win – delicious chocolate and support for our students!**

**Order online using Campaign ID: 000028478**

**Last day to order:** March 19

**Pickup date:** April 1

When placing your order, please remember to indicate whether:

- Your chocolates should **go home with your child**, or
- You will **pick them up yourself**

Thank you for supporting our school and **happy (or should we say “hoppy”) shopping!**

[\*\*Order Here!\*\*](#)



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### Apparel & Swag Update 🧥👕

Our latest **Spirit Wear** order has now closed and been sent to the printers! We're hoping items will be ready for pickup before **Spring Break**, and we'll share an update with families as soon as we have a confirmed pickup date.

Missed this round? Don't worry! **Another ordering window will open after Spring Break**, so you'll have another chance to grab some Poirier spirit wear.

Any questions, reach out to our fundraising coordinators at [ep.pac.fundraising@gmail.com](mailto:ep.pac.fundraising@gmail.com).

Thank you for showing your **Poirier pride!** 🐻❤️

### ♻️ Support Poirier with Your Bottle Returns!

We now have a **donation account set up at the Sooke Bottle Depot** to help raise funds for our school.

When returning your bottles and cans, simply let the depot know you would like to donate them to:

**“Poirier Elementary School.”**

It's an easy way to support our school while recycling — every little bit helps! Thank you for supporting our Poirier community. ❤️🐻

Our **Walking School Bus (WSB)** program at Poirier is in urgent need of new **Walk Leaders** after one of our current leaders moves away. If we cannot fill these positions in the next few weeks, **the program may have to pause for the remainder of the school year.**

We are looking for **paid Walk Leaders (\$26/hour, up to 8 hours/week)** to help supervise students walking safely to and from school on **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings (8:10–8:40 AM) and afternoons (2:40–3:30 PM)**. You do **not** need to be available for every shift — multiple people can share the role!

Already walking your child to school? Know a **parent, grandparent, or responsible youth (17+)** looking for part-time work or volunteer experience? Please share!

🗺️ [View the route map.](#)

📄 [Full job listing](#)

✉️ **Apply or ask questions:**

Send your resume to [hr@scyofbc.org](mailto:hr@scyofbc.org)

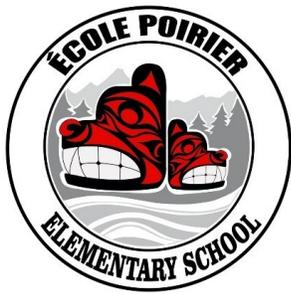
Questions? Contact Emma at [emma@scyofbc.org](mailto:emma@scyofbc.org)

If you're interested in **volunteering to help keep the program running**, please reach out as well!

Let's work together to keep this wonderful program going for our Poirier Bears! 🐻❤️

### No Toys at School Please

Please remind your children to keep their toys at home. We have plenty of toys and sports equipment at school. Only allow your child to bring toys that have been requested by your child's teacher or where you have made prearranged plans for educational purposes. Toys from home cause many unintended problems such as sadness due to losing them, injuries, physical altercations, class disruptions and many more. Thank you for helping the staff by adhering to the rules.



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### **URGENT: Poirier PAC Needs Volunteers for 2026/2027**

Our Poirier PAC is facing a **major transition next year**. Due to the **upcoming high volume turnover of our Executive PAC Members**, we are now calling for nominations for the **École Poirier PAC Executive 2026/2027 term**.

 **A PAC cannot operate with only one or two people.**

If more parents and caregivers do not step forward, **the Poirier PAC may not be able to continue next year**, which would impact many of the events, programs, and opportunities our students to enjoy.

**All PAC positions will be available for nomination**, and we're happy to share more information about each role and what's involved.

We are currently accepting nominations for the following positions:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Communications Officer
- Fundraising Coordinator
- Hot Lunch Coordinator
- SPEAC Representative
- Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
- Members-at-Large

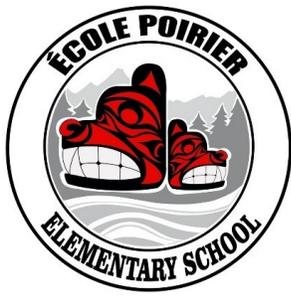
The full definitions and responsibilities of each position can be found on [pages 6–9 of our Constitution & Bylaws](#)

While responsibilities vary slightly between roles, the PAC generally meets **once per month (currently virtual)**, with occasional communication between meetings to coordinate events and initiatives that support our school.

 **Submit a nomination (including nominating yourself) [here](#).**

Even if you're unsure, **please consider stepping forward or asking questions**. Our PAC — and the many things it supports for our students — depends on parents and caregivers volunteering.

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### Spring Hot Lunch Menu will be open for orders on April 2, 2026.

New parents/guardians can quickly sign up for Munch a Lunch here

<https://munchalunch.com/register> to create an account.

Returning parents/guardians, your login awaits you here

<https://munchalunch.com/login>

#### Important Reminder

**You have **\*\*24 hours\*\*** to pay for your order once placed! Any unpaid orders will be cancelled automatically, so be ready to complete that transaction.** If you're not quite prepared, no worries—just hold off on ordering for now!

#### We need Volunteers!

We're on the lookout for a friendly face to help with lunch pick-ups from Langford on most last Thursdays of the month (around 10:30-11:00 AM). If you're available, let our Hot Lunch Coordinator at [ep.pac.hotlunches@gmail.com](mailto:ep.pac.hotlunches@gmail.com).

#### We'd love to hear from you!

If you work in the food service or catering industry and want to join us as a vendor, give us a shout! If you have any cool ideas or requests for snacks or meals, we're all ears. Feel free to send all comments and inquiries about hot lunch to [ep.pac.hotlunches@gmail.com](mailto:ep.pac.hotlunches@gmail.com).

#### ? Questions or Need Assistance?

If you have any questions or need help, feel free to reach out to the Hot Lunch Coordinator at [ep.pac.hotlunches@gmail.com](mailto:ep.pac.hotlunches@gmail.com).

#### ⚠ Important Note:

If your child can't attend school on hot lunch day, please email us at [ep.pac.hotlunches@gmail.com](mailto:ep.pac.hotlunches@gmail.com) to arrange a pickup time. Otherwise, please consider it a donation to support a child in need.

#### 🚫 No Refunds

Please note that, consistent with previous years, **NO REFUNDS** are available, as this is a PAC fundraiser—unless you cancel before the closing date. Thank you for understanding!

Have an amazing Spring Break everyone!