

## **The Quadra Weekly Briefing**

- **Dec 18**
    - Loonie Emporium
  - **Dec 21**
    - 2/3, 3/4, 4/5 classes and Choir Winter Concert – 1:30pm
    - Report Cards Available
  - **Dec 22**
    - Last day of classes before Winter Break
    - Pyjama Day
  - **Jan 8**
    - Classes resume after Winter Break
  - **Jan 14**
    - PAC Sponsored Bottle Drive
  - **Jan 26**
    - Pro-D – no school for students
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*Dear Parents of children born in 2019,*

*We are quickly approaching Kindergarten registration time in the Greater Victoria School District. Please visit our website: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/registration/kindergarten-registration/> to find more information about registering your child. Your first step is to identify your school catchment by using the school locator (found on the website above). Early French Immersion registration is January 15-19 and English Kindergarten registration is January 29-February 2. All required documents needed for the online registration are found here:*

*<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/registration/documentation/>*

*We are very excited to meet you and your child.*

*Welcome to School District 61.*

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Dear Parents and Caregivers:

We are writing to share that the report cards you will receive this year will reflect the new Ministry of Education and Child Care reporting order. The Greater Victoria School District has been preparing for these changes and you will likely notice a minimal difference from the previous year.

Some highlights include:

- The use of the Provincial Proficiency Scale from K-9 and letter grades and percentages in grades 10-12
- Descriptive feedback on all report cards from K-12
- Student self-reflection of Core Competencies and goal setting
- Graduation status update for students in grade 10-12 in June

As a district, one change we have made this fall is the way you will receive your child's report card. Families will access report cards via SD61's Parent Connect on

Thursday, December 21, 2023. Please [click here](#) to go to Parent Connect.

To access the report cards, parents and caregivers need to first create a Parent Connect account. For instructions on creating an account, visit our school district website or [click here](#).

If you require a paper copy of your child's report card, please reach out to your child's teacher, or speak to the school's office staff directly.

For more information on Curriculum, Reporting and Assessment please [click here](#).

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

On behalf of the Ministry of Education and Child Care, we are sharing the survey information below to help inform the Province's [ChildCareBC](#) initiatives:

This is a friendly reminder to complete the 2023 School-Aged Child Care Demand Parent Survey by December 14 to help inform the Province's planning for future expansion of school age child care. Thank you to the parents who have already completed this survey. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

While we know school-aged child care is a vital service families rely on to ensure their children have a quality, affordable, and inclusive place to be during a parent's full work day, we do not yet have regional or provincial data to understand the demand.

By completing this survey, you can help the Province to better understand your community's needs for school-aged child care. The survey will take 10-15 minutes and the results will help inform future [ChildCareBC](#) initiatives.

To complete the survey, please follow this link:

<https://www.awinfosys.com/surveyfull3/minofed/main/SchoolAgeParents.asp?SchoolNumber=1355>

Please do not share the link with anyone else.

If you have any questions, please contact [ChildCareBC.Engagement@gov.bc.ca](mailto:ChildCareBC.Engagement@gov.bc.ca). If you encounter any technical difficulties, please contact the web survey provider (AWIS) at [support@awinfosys.com](mailto:support@awinfosys.com).

If you have already completed the survey, thank you and please disregard this note.

We greatly appreciate your input and thank you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely,

Ministry of Education and Child Care

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#### Free Christmas Dinners 2023!

Dec 11 – 5:30 - 8:30 pm; Community dance at 7 pm – Holiday Dinner – Fernwood Community Center. Register at the Fernwood NRG for tickets by Dec 4: 1240 Gladstone St. (250) 381-1552.

Dec 12 – 5:30-7 pm – Christmas Dinner – Downtown Community Center: 755 Pandora Ave. (250) 383-0076.

Dec 16 – 12 pm – Turkey Dinner – Bay Street Armory: 715 Bay Street. Call or visit The Mustard Seed at 625 Queens Ave - for more information: (250) 953-1575.

Dec 20 – 12-1 pm – Christmas Lunch – Our Place: 919 Pandora Ave. (250) 388-7112.

Dec 21 – 3-6 pm – Turkey Dinner & Gifts – Alliance Club Youth Empowerment Society: 533 Yates St. Back-alley entrance. (250) 383-3514. Ages 13 to 19.

Dec 21 – 5-6 pm – Gordy Dodd's Annual Christmas Dinner – Our Place: 919 Pandora Ave. (250) 388-7112.

Dec 22 – Noon – Turkey Lunch – Rainbow Kitchen: 500 Admirals St. (250) 384-2069.

Dec 25 – 8-10 am – Christmas Soup – The Soup Kitchen: 740 View St. (778) 440-7687.

Dec 25 – 12-2 pm – Annual Christmas Dinner – St Andrews Kirk Hall: 680 Courtenay St. (250) 384-5734.

#### Low Cost Christmas Dinner

Dec 10 – 6 pm – Seniors' Turkey Dinner. \$12. Pick up tickets at Oaklands Community Association: #1-2827 Belmont Ave. (250) 370-9101.

*Courtesy of the [Action Committee of People with Disabilities](#)*

Here is another link to holiday meals available in our community:

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## **News from Our Wonderful PAC**

### **Loonie Emporium - December 18th**

The Loonie Emporium is coming up quick and will take place on Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>! We are extending our donation days so students/parents can bring donations on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> before or after school. Also, you can drop off donations at the gym on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm, and Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> from 10am-4pm.

A lot of donations are needed to make this event a success. Please consider donating good quality, brand new and/or gently used items such as toys, ties, jewelry, handbags, scarves, art, candles, candle holders, household goods, books, gift bags, gift boxes, or anything else that would be a good gift for family members. We really need an abundance of gift bags and tissue paper! Any occasion gift bag will do!

A printed sheet regarding the Loonie Emporium was sent home in each child's agenda with further information. Early next week each student will be sent home with gift labels and donation envelopes. Please have these back to the school no later than Friday, December 15th.

A big thank you to everyone who has already signed up to help. We still need quite a few volunteers to help with donation collection, weekend set-up, gift wrapping and/or student shopping. Sign up at: [www.volunteersignup.org/YHAD4](http://www.volunteersignup.org/YHAD4).

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Wishing you and your families a wonderful weekend!