



Millstream Newsletter

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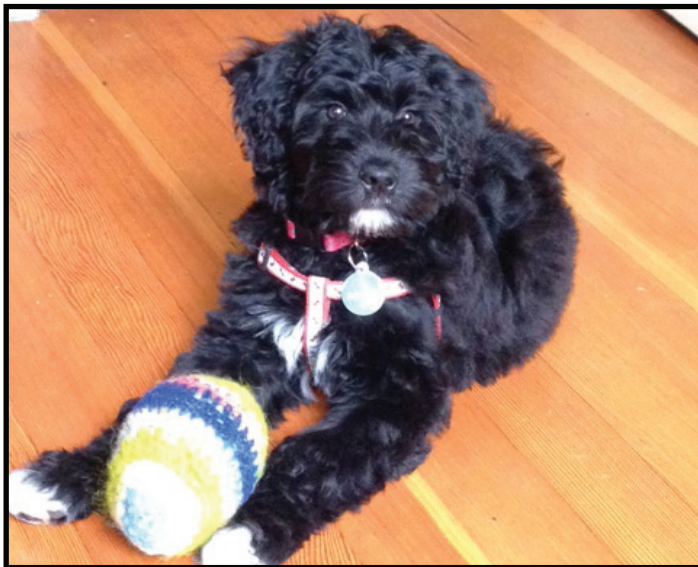
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It's the Place to Be!

APRIL 7, 2017

Message from Ms. Gerow



Martha Gerow,
Principal

Student Led Conferences:

Just before the spring break on March 15th, we had the student led conferences. It was fabulous to see all the parents and guardians come out to see the hard work that your children have been doing. The school was a buzz with activity and it was good to meet some of the families that I had not had the opportunity to connect with yet.

Sorcha and I enjoyed be-

ing part of the school tour for some of the classes.

Thank you to everyone who stopped in for a "pat" and to say hello.

Short week coming up with Early Dismissal Day, Pro Development and Easter!

Next Wednesday, April 12th, students will be dismissed at 11:30. We held our conferences prior to spring break however, teachers will be in the building available to speak with parents who were unable to attend the Student Led Conferences. If

you were unable to attend, please contact your child's teacher to discuss whether they need to meet with you or if you have any concerns.

Thursday, April 13th will see the teachers involved in professional development activities here at Millstream. Students will not be in attendance that day. It is a short week with Friday also being Good Friday. We will look forward to getting back in full swing again after Easter Monday as we head into the last two and half months of the school year.

Foundation Skills Assessment:

Results have been sent home for all students that wrote the FSA Assessment.

School Zones

It is that time again after a break to remind parents and guardians about remembering to follow the speed limit while in the school zone. It has been noted by several families that we have had some families who are not always remembering

to keep the speed down in the school zone. Please remember that there are many students who walk home and are reliant on drivers to also be aware of their presence.

Cross Country Rocks:

Mark your calendar, we have our first spring run at Juan de Fuca **April 19th, 2017!**

All of our students are invited to practice for the next two weeks and welcome to participate in this district event. The second event will be held on **April 26th**. Permission forms have been sent home today. The runs take place at Juan de Fuca between the soccer fields and baseball diamonds and start at 3:30PM sharp! Thanks to all of our staff that are supporting this healthy fun event.

Thank you to our teacher sponsors, Mrs. Mann and Mrs. Papineau for making this opportunity run smoothly for the students. Without staff support, these extra-curricular activities would not always happen.

For Your Information...



*"Don't cry because it is over,
smile because it happened."*



Dr. Seuss Quotes

~Dr. Seuss

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CALENDAR of EVENTS

APRIL 2017

- 8th Millstream Garage Sale
- 11th Engineering for Kids (Tue)
- 11th PAC Meeting - 6:30 in Library
- 12th Early Dismissal 11:30
- 12th Dance Workshop
- 12th Home Alone Program (grade 4/5)
- 13th Non Instructional Day
- 14th Good Friday No School
- 17th Easter Monday No School
- 18th Engineering for Kids (Tue)
- 19th Cross Country Meet
- 20th Engineering for Kids (Thu)
- 21st Hot Lunch - Booster Juice
- 25th Engineering for Kids (Tue)
- 26th Cross Country Meet
- 26th Cadence Performance at 1:15pm
- 27th Engineering for Kids (Thu)
- 28th Popcorn Day

APRIL

ADMINISTRATION

Martha Gerow, Principal/Librarian
Cory Meausette, Vice-Principal

TEACHERS

Cory Meausette - Div. 1 (Gr.4/5)
Nevada Papineau - Div. 1 (Gr.4/5)
Steve Deichmann - Div. 2 (Gr. 3/4)
Sylvia Devenport - Div. 3 (Gr. 2/3)
Catherine Alpha - Div. 4 (Gr. 1/2)
Michelle King - Div. 5 (Gr. 1)
Leah Satterfield - Div. 6 (Gr. K)
Thera de Greef - Div. 7 (Gr. 2/3F)
Manon Ambriz Gomez - Div. 7
Allison Whicher - Div. 8 (Gr. 1/2F)
Caitlin Tate - Div. 9 (K)
Alejandro Morales Gil - Div. 10 (K)
Nevada Papineau - Music
Wendy Mann - LS/IS
Betsy Clarke - LS/IS
Jayne Struch - LS/IS - French
Ted Hobby - LS
Sonja Efford - LS
Michaela Carter - Counsellor

SUPPORT STAFF

Taryn Treloar - School Secretary
Laura Tinker - Education Assistant
Charro Woodford - Education Assistant
Lindsay Park - Education Assistant
Colette McFarland - Library Assistant
Lisa Miller - Strong Start
Rena Nagel - Lunch Supervisor
Arlene Klatt - Lunch Supervisor
J. Scott - Lunch Supervisor
Catrina Snook - ESD Support
Rosaland Wilkinson - Aboriginal Support
Al Beekman - Head Custodian
Sandra Martell - Speech & Language
Paula Twamley - Occupational Therapist
Carolyn Zanichelli - ELL

PAC EXECUTIVE

Sarah Ramsbottom - President
Taryn Treloar - Vice President
Dale Breese - Secretary
Krista Bekkema - Treasurer
Jessica Bell - Fundraising
Sarah Ramsbottom - Hot Lunch
Heather Bewsher - Hot Lunch
Jim Knutsen - SPEAC
Layla Bhalla - Popcorn
Mike Donselaar - Emergency
Tracy Raven & Mark Ralph - Sign

Gardening at Millstream

How does the Garden Grow!

Cory Meausette
Vice-Principal

A huge thank you to all of the people who have been stepping up to donate materials for the school garden. We had yards of soil and compost, bags of grass clippings, leaves and coffee grounds and we had bales of hay and straw. Wow! It is great to see the community spirit. Under the guidance of Willow from Growing Young Farmers, Divisions 1, 2, 5 & 9 are busy trying to get the "lasagna" beds up and run-

ning for the warm spring planting. What a wonderful way for students to be learning about what goes into creating a sustainable garden that produces food. The learning that is going on for each of the participating students is huge as it combines theoretical learning and the practice of how to grow healthy produce. The students are doing a great job of learning about sustaining a garden and maintaining a small ecosystem. A big thank you also to the teacher sponsors who



are organizing the students and donations, Mr. Meausette, Mr. Deichmann, Ms King and Ms Tate.

We look forward to watching the continued progress over the next few months.



FOUND:

We have a large blue recycling container that was brought to the school with compost in it. If it is yours, please let Miss Treloar know so she can return it to you.

Student Opportunities

HAPPY Program

The PAC is pleased to offer the HAPPY PROGRAM at the school for students ages 9 years old and up on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 from 12:30 - 3:00.

The program will educate children on how to be safe when alone so that on those occasions before or after school when on their own, students will feel more prepared and know what to do if a problem arises.

Cost of the program will be \$15. If you are interested in having your child attend, please pick up a registration form at the office. Payments may be in cash or cheque. Please make out the cheque to **Millstream PAC**.



Beauty and the Beast

Martha Gerow,
Principal

Madame Papineau has organized for students and families of Millstream Elementary to attend the performance of Beauty and the Beast by Ballet Victoria on Saturday, May 20th.

The opportunity to attend a live performance of by a professional ballet company is a wonderful.

It is always an amazing experience to attend a professional performance of any kind at the Royal Theatre.

Tickets for the event are \$15 per

student/chaperones or any other family member that would like to attend.

The performance itself will be just under 2 hours, however the details of the performance time will be come closer to the date.

Transportation to the event is up to the parents of the students who will be attending.

If you are interested in attending this performance please be sure to get the information from Madame Papineau or you can also check in at the office for a form to fill out.

Canada 150 Years!!



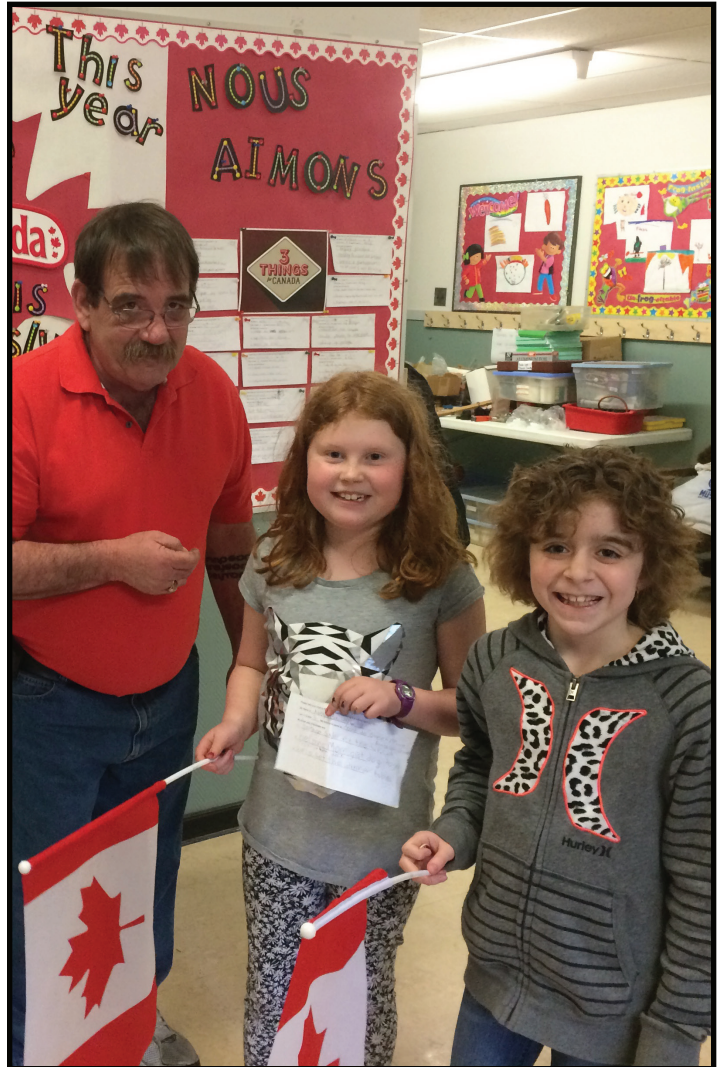
Martha Gerow
Principal

In celebration of Canada's 150th birthday this year, Canadians have an opportunity to initiate over 100 million acts of service. Yes, if every man, woman and child in Canada completes 3 acts of kindness, Canadians will complete over 100 million acts of service. As the students bring in their 3 things, they will be posted up on the front bulletin

board for all to see.

Thank you to Janelle Breese for coming into present this wonderful project to the school.

As students bring in their slips of paper, Janelle has been greeting them at the end of the day and handing out pins for participation. She will be here one more day to hand out pins however it would be great to see the actions continue throughout the year.



PAC Information...

THE SPRING FAIR IS COMING!!!

Volunteers Needed!!

Friday, May 5th

5:30 - 8:00pm

www.volunteersignup.

org/3D8LX

or sign up in the Office



ONGOING 'FREE' FUNDRAISERS

HELP THE SCHOOL ENORMOUSLY WITHOUT ACTUALLY PAYING ANYTHING

Alpine Bottle Depot:

Do you have unwanted empties? Just drop them off at Alpine Bottle Depot and mention Millstream Elementary and leave the sorting and counting to them.

Cobs Bakery:

Fresh baked bread tastes better when you know it's helping raise money for Ecole Millstream Elementary School! Mention Ecole Millstream Elementary School at COBS BREAD and they will donate a percentage of your purchase back to your school.

Canadian Tire Money:

Please bring in any extra or unwanted Canadian Tire money and help fill our box. All monies will go to purchasing items for our school!

Co-op Number:

13999 Please share our membership number whenever you make a purchase from Peninsula Co-op or SaveOn Gas. At the end of the year, our organization will earn a rebate, based on the amount of purchases our members have made throughout the year. Thank you for your participation in advance

Thrifty's Smile Card:

Thrifty Foods will donate an amount equal to 5% of the amount you load on your Smile Card to the fundraising group. There is absolutely no cost to you. Ask the cashier to load any amount you wish onto the card before having your grocery order rung through. Pay for the card load with cash, debit card or credit card. Ring the grocery order through and pay for the order with your Smile Card!

Everything
Must Go!

Free Admission

Baked Goods
& Drinks

Neighborhood

Garage/Craft

SALE

**Book a Table
NOW**

Purge your house,
collect your goodies and
get ready to join us for
a fun event where you
can buy or sell some
treasures!

Reserve a Table today!
\$20 for a table (8')
\$10 for half a table (4')
ttreloar@sd62.bc.ca
Cash or Cheque
"Millstream PAC"

MILLSTREAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

626 HOYLAKE ROAD

Saturday, April 8, 2017

9:00am – 2:00pm

STRONG START

Bring your pre-schooler to Strong Start at Millstream Elementary!

Lisa Miller
Strong Start
Coordinator

StrongStart BC early learning programs provide school-based early learning services for adults and their young children, aged **0-5 years**, at no cost to families.

Both children and

adults can benefit from StrongStart BC early learning programs - children have access to high-quality learning environments and benefit from social interactions while the adults who accompany them learn new ways to support learning, both at the program and at home.

Parents and caregivers attending StrongStart BC programs can expect to participate in organized sessions like story time, in play activities, and in serving a healthy snack.

- ★ Monday to Friday
Room 504
- ★ 9:15-12:15pm



MILLSTREAM ELEMENTARY STRONG START



Website: millstream.sd62.bc.ca
Phone: (250) 478-8348



Daily Program Schedule:

- 9:15AM Center Activities including Art
- 10:30 AM Clean Up
- 10:40 AM Circle Time
- 10:55 AM Snack Time
- 11:00 AM Free Play Time
- 11:45 AM Clean Up
- 11:50 AM Story Time
- 12:00 Good Bye Song/Stickers



APRIL 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 WELCOME BACK!!	4 CHICS	5 GYM 9:15-10:15 AND MUSIC ROOM!!!	6 EGG ART	7 GYM 9:15-10:15	8
9	10 FIREFIGHTERS VISIT!!	11 BUNNY ART	12 GYM 9:15-10:15 ERIN SFRS	13 PRO D DAY STRONG START CLOSED	14 GOOD FRIDAY STRONG START CLOSED	15
16	17 EASTER MONDAY STRONG START CLOSED	18	19 GYM 9:15-10:15	20	21 GYM 9:15-10:15	22
23	24	25 PARAMEDICS VISIT!!	26 GYM 9:15-10:15 ERIN SFRS	27	28 GYM 9:15-10:15	29
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This is a Guardian Participation Program:

WAYS TO ASSIST:



- Being quiet at circle time
- Help prepare snacks
- Help clean dishes
- Dry dishes
- Put away dishes
- Put away art supplies
- Assist with toy clean up duties
- Sit with your child at circle time
- Guide & assist child with art activities
- Have children assist with clean up time

SPECIAL NOTE:

SFRS Sooke Family Resource Society will visit every other Wednesday. Please ask if you have any questions.

ATTENTION:

Children must be registered by their second visit to attend Strong Start Birth Certificate is **REQUIRED**.