

BRAEFOOT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Braefoot Elementary School Newsletter

Thursday, May 15th, 2025

Dates to Remember

May	
May 16	Pro D Day—School Not in Session
May 19	Victoria Day—School Not in Session
May 20	Jump Rope For Heart Day
May 21	Welcome to Kindergarten 12:45 –2:45 PM
May 22	Family Games Night
May 23	Stages Dance Performance
	Hot Lunch-Subway
May 27	Zone Track Meet @UVic
May 29	Newsletter Day
	Track Meet—City Finals @UVic 6 - 8 PM
June	
June 2—6	Go By Bike Week

- June 4 **Talent Show**
- June 6 Hot Lunch—Pizza/Booster Juice
- June 10 **Braefoot Appreciation Day**
- June 13 June Jamboree
- June 17 PAC Meeting 7pm
- June 20 Beach Day
- June 25 Gr 5 Recognition Assembly and Celebration
- June 26 Last Day of Classes Whole School Assembly **Report Cards Issued**

The Greater Victoria School District wishes to recognize the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations on whose traditional territories we live and do our work.

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REPORT CARDS – PARENT CONNECT

With Parent Connect, you can give/revoke online permissions and see report cards.

Parent Connect instructional video + info: <u>https://www.sd61.bc.ca/parent-student-resources/parent-connect</u>

Here is the direct link to the sign in page: <u>https://parentconnect.sd61.bc.ca/</u> Identity/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2F

Not Returning Next Year?

Please let the office know as soon as possible if you are moving on for the 2025/26 school year. It helps us with class planning

Mustard Seed Food Drive

From May 5th to 29th, Braefoot School will be hosting a food drive for the Mustard Seed Food Bank. At the end of the month, our donations will be weighed so we can see how much our community has helped fill the shelves at the Food Bank! Boxes will be in the hallway outside the office for easy drop off.



Staff Parking Lot

Please remember that our staff parking lot is for<u>staff</u> parking and daycare drop off only. Now that warmer weather is upon us, we suggest parking on Braefoot Rd and utilizing our crossing guards to get your children to safely to school. If you need to drive to the school, please do not park in our drop off lane. We appreciate your

understanding!





Spring has arrived in Division 2! Mr. Bryan's class created these beautiful, everlasting flower arrangements, which are "blooming" outside his classroom.



1000X5

1000 Books by Age Five Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

Have you found the pink bin in the library?

Thanks to you, 1000X5 has sent over 360,000 books into homes of babies and preschoolers who have few books. 27 agencies in over 70 programs distribute 3 books in a bag to 800-1000 children every month, including the summer! Children are made readers on the laps of their parents. Any donations can be left in the pink bin in our school library.

Rugby at Braefoot

As the season wraps up, we couldn't be prouder of the Braefoot Bobcats Rugby teams and everything they've accomplished. This group showed heart, determination, and a true team spirit every time they stepped onto the field. Led by standout efforts from Smitta and Kaihan on the senior team, and Sebastian and Chaeha on the junior team, both groups played with grit, showed incredible bravery, and always upheld the values of great sportsmanship. While we'll certainly miss our Year 5 players next season, the future is bright. With every player expressing their eagerness to return, our program is in a strong position to continue growing. A huge thank you from to Mr. Carson and Mr. Bryan for coaching and to all the players for their commitment and to the families for their ongoing support. Go Bobcats!





PAC Page!

Family Games Night May 22nd

Join us in the gym, May 22nd for a free night of board games presented by our PAC and the Interactive Board Game Café. Café staff will be hand to help with rules or strategy! This is a free (and screen free!) event for the whole family. Pizza will be available to preorder until May 19th, through the hot lunch website, and a limited amount will be available that evening, as well as our usual concession items. We hope to see everyone there!

Panago Pizza Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who ordered Panago Pizza for our fundraiser at the beginning of the month. We raised \$689 for our PAC! A huge thank you to Panago at McKenzie and Borden for supporting us with this great fundraiser!

June Jamboree

Braefoot's June Jamboree is quickly approaching! On June 13th the whole school will spend a super fun afternoon outside with face painting, bouncy castles and lots of other fun, free activities! In addition to all the fun, it's one of the biggest PAC fundraisers of the year.

Every division will be picking a theme, and through donations will be putting together 11 gift baskets to raffle off! Look for "All Things Chocolate", "Spa Day" and many more exciting baskets that you could win through raffle ticket

purchases. PAC will also be looking for volunteers to help the day go smoothly and tickets will be available for purchase before and after school starting the week of June 9th. There is no charge for any of the events at the June Jamboree...just an afternoon of fun for all our wonderful students. Stay tuned for more information!



No One Goes Without!

This is a quick reminder families that no child need miss out on hot lunch due to financial difficulties. Please reach out to our office staff if you are in need of this support. Please email us at braefoot@sd61.bc.ca This information will be kept confidential.



PAC HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

2024-2025 Hot Lunch Schedule

The hot lunch site is available to place orders: https://braefoot.hotlunches.net

• The required access code is **BRAEFOOT**.

Order cutoffs will be one week prior to each hot lunch day to ensure our suppliers can process the orders in time.

- May 23—Subway
- June 6—Pizza & Booster Juice

Lost and Found



Once again our lost and found racks and bin are overflowing with jackets, hoodies, water bottles and other items. Please make a point of checking the lost and found bin when you drop off or pick up your child. We know all the items belong to someone within our Braefoot Community. Have a look to see if your missing items are in our lost and found bin. We'd love to see the items go home again!

PLEASE NOTE: In June any items that are not collected from the lost and found are donated to charity.

Construction on Braefoot Rd.

Be advised that there will ongoing construction on Braefoot Rd while Saanich adds traffic calming measures and a Neighbourhood Bikeway. Please also be aware that new parking restrictions have been put in place along Braefoot, so watch for new signage showing where you can and cannot park.



Victoria Children's Choir



Join Our School in Making a

Difference!

Help more kids like Julian!

Our school is excited to participate in Jump for Heart this year, in support of Heart & Stroke. The funds raised will help more families like Julian's. At only three years of age, Julian had to undergo open-heart surgery to repair a hole in his heart. While recovering from surgery, he suffered a pediatric stroke. Julian needed to have a thrombectomy – a procedure to remove a blood clot in his brain.

The surgery was a success, but Julian needed to relearn how to talk, walk and use his right hand. Now six years old, Julian continues to attend therapy and is doing better every day. "Your efforts make it possible for Julian to get the support and recovery he needs so he can live a full, active and healthy life," says Julian's mother, Joyce. "We are so grateful to people who participate in Jump Rope for Heart and fundraise in support of life-saving heart and brain research – you are all heart heroes!" Watch Julian's story to learn more about his journey and the impact of your support. <u>Watch now</u>!

Become a heart hero by registering and creating a personal fundraising page for your child/student . Click <u>here</u> to register!

