



BRAEFoot ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Braefoot Elementary School Newsletter

Thursday, June 12th, 2025

Dates to Remember

June

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| June 13 | June Jamboree |
| June 17 | PAC Meeting 7pm (in library) |
| June 20 | Beach Day |
| June 25 | Gr 5 Recognition Assembly and Celebration |
| June 26 | Last Day of Classes
Whole School Assembly
Report Cards Issued
Newsletter Day |



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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Message From the Principal

It has been an incredible year here at Braefoot, one which I have enjoyed even more than my first! It has been incredibly busy, but I have to say, it has been a “good” busy! We started the year enjoying hotdogs on a warm September evening out on the tarmac. It seems like just a few days ago, but so much has happened since. And although there are only two weeks of school left, we have a lot of ground left to cover. Our Beach Day and June Jamboree are right around the corner, and before you know it, we will be bidding a bitter sweet goodbye to our soon-to-be middle schoolers!

I want to draw your attention to a special event that our neighbours at Beausoliel are hosting on June 24th. It is their 10th anniversary celebration and they are inviting our whole community to celebrate with them. Please take a moment to view the invite in this newsletter. It includes a QR code that will lead you to further information about the event as well as allow you to pre-order food items that they will have available on that day. I hope to see you all there!

As the school year draws to a close, I wanted to again this year express just how thankful I am to be part of our Braefoot Community. I truly believe that this is a special school and a special community; this can be evidenced by the number of students who return to visit, some of whom were here long before I came along. Our staff members are among the best I’ve worked with and our students are fantastic! All that being said, none of the greatness happens without incredible parents/caregivers. I am very appreciative of all the support we receive from those who care for our students, as we cannot do our work without your support. Lastly I need to acknowledge the incredible work our PAC has done this year. They are a small but mighty group who get an enormous amount done, all for the good of our students!

Before I sign off and wish you all a memorable, happy summer, I would like to recognize our grade 5 students. We ask quite a bit from this group– from being “big buddies” to modeling the way on the playground, on field trips and in and around the school. I have only had the pleasure of knowing this group for two years, but they have always made a positive impression. I wish them all the best in their new learning journeys.

Sincerely,

Connor McCoy



Important

REPORT CARDS – PARENT CONNECT

Report Cards will be posted June 26th. Please use the following link to view them!

<https://parentconnect.sd61.bc.ca/Identity/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2F>

If you need assistance, the following link will give an overview Parent Connect instructional video + info: **<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/parent-student-resources/parent-connect>**

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



You're Invited!



INFO &
PRE-SALES!



CASH ONLY
ON-SITE

COME CELEBRATE
OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY AND THE SAINT-JEAN BAPTISTE!

COMMUNITY
BBQ

JUNE 24, 2025

4:00 - 7:00 PM

1415 ANDREWS AVE, VICTORIA

- BBQ & GAMES PRE-SALES
AT SEVICTORIA.CA
- INFLATABLE GAMES (\$2 ADMISSION)
- FACE PAINTING FOR KIDS
- 50/50 DRAW
- LOCAL FRANCOPHONE ARTISTS

Sociocultural event in partnership with:



La Société
francophone
de Victoria



SAANICH
POLICE

Uptown

We're Sad to See you Go!

It's that tough time of year where we have to say good-bye to some of our staff.

We'd like to say a huge thank you to **Mrs. Winthrope** who taught division 10 this year, and **Ms. Alexa McLean**, our Teacher/Librarian who did a job share with Mrs. Baker. Your contribution to our school community won't soon be forgotten. And another thank you to **Anne Brown, Gena Lucas and Raghda Alhaddad** who have all been filling temporary EA positions here. Good luck at your new postings!



And last but certainly not least....**Mrs. Theim** is retiring after 18 years at Braefoot and 35 years teaching in Greater Victoria!

Mrs. Theim is leaving a huge hole on the second floor at Braefoot and big shoes to fill.

We wish you well on the next chapter of your life.



BEST OF LUCK TO OUR GRADE 5

OUTGOING CLASS!

June 25th is our Grade 5 Celebration here at Braefoot. The ceremony will be held from 10:30 am until noon in the gym, followed by a party out on the blacktop. Families are welcome to attend. Dismissal is at regular time.

We are very proud of our students' accomplishments over the years. Whether we have worked with the students in our school for six years or a few months, we wish the following students well in their middle school experience:

Yair Alfiah	Metehan Duman	Kailyn Rivera
Sajjad Aljresee	Beau Enwright	Taz Rohila
Ilyas Amin	Nina Shay Freeman	Benjamin Sowden
Sayfie Arunkumar	Fares Harba	Smita Srinivasan
Kaihan Azizi	Sibyl Harbour	Theo Stellingwerff
Sophia Baker	Jacob Hobbs	Ben Turner
Brynn Behrens	George Hopkins	Jacob Vicencio
George Blades	Cal Lemon	Lucas Wang
Abby Camponi	Ryan Leung	James Ward
Mateo Cardona Haya	Vivian Lee	Kian Waugh
Anaisha Castillo	Isabel Manzel	Zachary Zhang
Cassy Castillo	Rita Morrill	Vienna Zussino
Malika Cendan	Smyrna Muslu	
Teo Colpron	Shaanvi Nepal	
Luke Cullen	Kaiden Neithercut	
Winston Cunningham	Greyden Pothan	
Sienna DiMartino	Norah Rickinson	

Staff Parking Lot

Please remember that our staff parking lot is for **staff 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!



Talent Show

We are so lucky to have so many talented kids here at Braefoot. On June 4th, some of them showcased their special skills. We had dancing, singing, piano playing, karate and lots more on display! Thanks to Mrs. John for organizing such a great afternoon!



Bike To School Week

It was so incredible to see so many of our students and their families and staff getting to school by bikes and scooters last week. We had a week jam packed with super fun activities starting with a pancake breakfast on Monday, a slow bike race on Wednesday and an obstacle course through the school on Friday! A

big thanks to Mrs. Gilmour and Mrs. Leahy-Trill for organizing all the fun activities, as well as all the staff who helped out at different events. What a great week!



We are grateful to everyone who filled out the "Ready Set Roll" survey for the CRD. Through your participation, we will be receiving a new bike or scooter rack, which as you can see by the above picture, will be put to good use!

Lost and Found

Our two lost and found racks are very full. Please take a few minutes to check them and see if anything belongs to your household.

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



Library Books

Now that June is here, we would like to remind all families to please have a look on bookshelves, under beds, and anywhere else in your house where overdue library books may be hiding! Classroom teachers receive a weekly report of overdue library books and have been following up with student reminders. All student library books are due to the library on or before Friday, **June 13th**. After this date, Mrs. Baker will follow up with any students who have outstanding library books, and a replacement cost will be provided for books which are not returned or damaged beyond repair.

Thank you!



June Jamboree

Braefoot's June Jamboree is quickly approaching! On June 13th the whole school will spend a super exciting afternoon outside with face painting, bouncy castles, a dunk tank 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 has picked a theme, and through class donations, has put together 11 gift baskets to raffle off!

Tickets will be available at a cost of \$1 each for purchase during the spring fling, as well as before and after school on the days leading up to the event. Every child in the school has also been given one ticket, so everyone has a chance to win!

There is no charge for any of the events at the June Jamboree...just an afternoon of fun for all our wonderful students.

Basket Themes

Div 1—International Treats

Div 2—Everything Chocolate

Div 3—Candy Extravaganza

Div 4—Party and Celebrations

Div 5—Arts and Crafts

Div 6—Lego and Building

Div 7—Just for Kids

Div 8—Family Fun Night

Div 9—Summer Fun!

Div 10—Beach Party

Div 11—Self Care and Spa

If you wish to help out at the Jamboree, please use this [link](#) to sign up!



Slip and Slide Fun

Mr. Bryan and his Div 2 class set up a huge slip and slide for some of our younger divisions last week. Everyone (even the adults) had a great time sliding down our hill...watch your emails, because more divisions might be doing some sliding in our last few weeks of school!

Thanks Mr. B!



GAME. SET. SUMMER.



Register for summer programs today.

victoria.ca/recreation



Pacific FC!

Pacific FC is celebrating the end of the school the year by offering \$5 tickets with every \$20 ticket sold, for their June 27th game at Starlight Stadium.

If you're interested, tickets can be purchased [here](#)



Braefoot Summer Camps

With a variety of options for every child, Braefoot Summer Camps guarantee a summer full of fun, laughter, and growth. Camp options include: Fun Days, Hockey, Earth Science, Kayaking, Soccer, Multi-Sport, Baseball, Escape Room in a Box, Wilderness Survival, All Sports, Lab Explores, and Space Exploration!

Sign up here: <https://www.braefoot.ca/summer-camps>





SUMMER CAMP

NO COST!



WESTSHORE
JULY 14-18

FERNWOOD
JULY 28-AUG 1
&
AUG 5-8

Healthy Bodies. Healthy Minds

Join Big Brothers Big Sisters of Victoria Capital Region at our **FREE B You Summer Day Camp** as we have fun and learn about active living, balanced nutrition, social development, and self-compassion.

For female-identifying and gender-diverse youth, ages 9-14	Monday to Friday 9am-12pm (9-11 years-old) 1pm-4pm (12-14 years-old)	Includes activities such as crafts, yoga, art, dancing, group discussions and games!
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REGISTRATION OPEN NOW


RUNSPORT





VICTORIA TRACK CLASSIC
POWERED BY RUNSPORT
RUN, JUMP, THROW!

Presented by ANDREW SHERET LIMITED
EST 1892

Let your kids try Run, Jump, Throw!—a free, fun clinic for ages 5–10 to explore the basics of track & field!

June 22, 2025
1–2 pm

Centennial Stadium
1901 McKenzie Ave, Victoria, BC V8P 2L5

Free Registration
5 to 10 years old

REGISTER NOW



For more info, visit
runsport.ca/trackclassic



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Catch the action and cheer on elite athletes from across Canada as they compete at the Victoria Track Classic.

June 22, 2025
From 2 pm

Centennial Stadium
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\$15 General Admission (12+)
FREE Kids 12 & under

GET YOUR TICKETS



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Thanks to **ANDREW SHERET LIMITED** EST 1892 kids 12 & under get **FREE tickets** to the Victoria Track Classic!