

Eagles News

English Bluff Elementary School
April 10, 2024



Jump Rope for Heart

On Monday we kicked off our Jump Rope for Heart Event. Students learned about the importance of exercising their hearts to keep their bodies healthy. Students have been skipping throughout the week to build healthy habits for a healthy life. If you would like to donate to the Heart & Stroke foundation, our school donation link is: <https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/44389>

April is Earth Month

During **Earth Month**, our goal is to raise environmental awareness. Our **Green Team** will be leading many of the school initiatives this month, including Light-Out-Lunches, Litterless Lunches, walk or wheel to school, shoreline & forest cleanups. Our **Garden Club** have also been busy planting. At the end of the month we invite you to participate in **Bike-to-School Week!**



Our Community

Happy Eid to those who will be celebrating today! April is **Sikh Heritage Month**, to recognize the many significant contributions of Sikh Canadians. It's also an opportunity to celebrate and educate future generations.

Things to Check Out

Our School Website <https://eb.deltasd.bc.ca/>
Field Trip notices will be going online. Payments for field trips should also be paid on [Parent Connect](#)
****Delta School District IB fees are due!**
Calendar Date Change: Sports Day is now June 14

PAC

PAC **meeting on April 23** at 6:30 in the school library. All are welcome!
To order Hot Lunch:
<https://englishbluff.hotlunches.net/admin/>
Contact the PAC: chair.ebpac@gmail.com

Track & Field

Track & Field has begun at EB! Our **Thursday morning Run Club** is intended to support students in building their running stamina. All Intermediate students should have athletic footwear daily, as track is the focus for PE this term. These students will all have an opportunity to participate in the **Regional Track Meet on May 8th**.

Communication

Do you ever wonder why things are the way they are at school or your child tells you something and you are curious about the bigger picture? If you have any questions like this, please reach out to your classroom teacher. Sometimes these conversations might feel uncomfortable but they are the best way to resolve misconceptions, alleviate gossip and to make beneficial changes. 😊

Assessment in IB PYP

An important part of the learning cycle is assessment. Often, people only think of assessment as being things like a big math test, or report cards that come out three times a year. But assessment is much, much more than that! Assessment at school happens constantly. Teachers are frequently checking in with students as to what they know or can do, and adjusting their teaching accordingly. Students may be involved in self assessment activities, reflecting on their own knowledge and growth. One of the goals of the PYP program is for students to develop into *'assessment capable learners'*. This means that students are able to analyze how they think and learn, and can use feedback to modify and improve their own learning. The way the PYP is designed, and the ways in which teachers plan activities and units in the classroom, allow for students to be self reflective and make choices to be able to develop these self-assessment skills.

Student growth can be shared with families in different ways. Your child's teacher may send home weekly check ins for math or spelling or post work digitally. **Student Led Conferences** are another way that families are able to learn about how their child is doing at school. In preparation for these conferences, students will consider what they feel proud of and what they want to share with their families about their learning. This process of reflection, planning, sharing, and celebrating is an important one for students to learn about themselves, and to learn that their voice in their own learning is important. We hope you are able to join us for these conferences on **April 17th and 18th** to be a part of your child's school learning journey and to help them celebrate their growth. School will be **dismissed at 2:00** both days. You can sign up for a conference time, through [Parent Connect](#), today after 3:00.

*Thank you,
Ms. T. Carleton Gaines*

Congratulations RLC!

Every year grade 4 & 5 students have an opportunity to participate in Reading Link Challenge. RLC is a partnership with the public library to promote the "sport of reading". It is a series of quiz/trivia challenges with questions based on six books. All teams participate in one or more levels of challenge, with the winning teams advancing to higher levels of competition within the community.

Congratulations to all our students who participated and the 'Wildfires' who competed in the District challenge today at Annieville Elementary.



Driving to School?

Just a reminder that we prefer if only our primary students are dropped off at the front of the school. This greatly reduces the amount of traffic. Also, please be conscientious about where you park. Reserved parking spots and 'No Parking' zones are not options for you.

Hold the Date

- April 10:** Eid al-Fitr
- April 11:** Hot Lunch
- April 12:** School-wide photo – **Whole School at 9:00**
- April 13:** Vaisakhi
- April 17:** Early dismissal at 2:00 (confer 2:00-6:00)
- April 18:** Early dismissal at 2:00 (confer 2:00-4:00)
- April 19:** Grade 6 immunizations
- April 13:** **PAC Meeting 6:30 in Library**
- April 21:** Earth Day Assembly – **Wear Green!**
- April 22-26:** Bike to School Week (*Front round-about closed the morning of the 26th for bike parades – first primary, then intermediate*)
- May 2:** Hot Lunch
- May 8:** Regional Track Meet
- May 16:** District Track Meet
- May 17-20:** School not in session
- May 21-24:** Scholastic Book Fair
- May 24:** Camp Read Day at school
- May 24:** PAC Carnival
- May 28:** IB Exhibition
- May 29-31:** Grade 6 Camp
- June 14:** **New Date for Sports Day**