



GREENPAGES

*Responsible
Stewardship*



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Responsible stewardship is a core Evergreen value that we foster throughout our school. We define it as promoting respect for our place of learning, school campus, local community, and the environment, preserving the natural world for future generations.

But how is this “taught”? How do we cultivate responsibility within our students? This value is embedded into many aspects of school life. Daily, students have classroom jobs. This promotes a sense of responsibility and care, that in turn fosters greater pride in the physical spaces they learn and play in. Students implement and manage the recycling, compost, and garbage programs at school. We promote packed lunches that do not include wrappers or packaging that is hard to recycle. Food is eaten indoors to reduce garbage on the campus, that is both an eyesore and a danger to wildlife.

Outside of the classroom students learn about, and support the schools’ rewilding program, that in turn supports the forest health. We schedule community clean up days, where we clean up the local streets, park and neighborhood.

Through the curriculum, students engage in the food literacy program that includes full cycle experiences from planting to harvesting and cooking food from our gardens. We have an Ecological Arts teacher who curates the gardening program as well as fosters skills, knowledge and competencies within the natural world. Alongside the gardening, the Ecological Arts program aims to teach students about the flora and fauna on campus and beyond. Students build bird boxes in Spring and make observations throughout the season. They build bee nests, manage the compost, and many other activities that help students learn and respect our natural world so they recognize they are intrinsically a part of this natural world!

Being outdoors in all weather is a part of our student experience. Students have two outside recesses a day, one PE class outdoors daily, and gardening. Spruce class have Outdoor Ed Thursday afternoons, where they head up Cobble Hill and play games and share in nature activities together. This supports student’s experiences of seasons and weather, and builds confidence, appreciation and enjoyment of the outdoors.

*Re-
enrollment*



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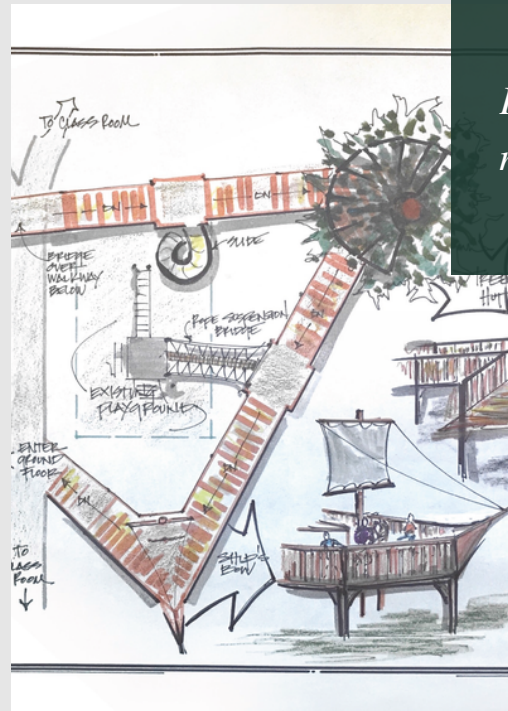
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March is going to be a busy month this year at Evergreen. Student led conferences will be held March 7th and 8th, which will be a great opportunity to connect with teachers and students alike. A gentle reminder again to families that help moving the playground to make way for the new ramp project would be greatly appreciated. Remember, many hands make light work, and there is no “I” in “community.” The moving of the playground will take place over March break, so please let us know if you are available to help. And remember as the great Dwayne “the Rock” Johnson tells us, “Success isn't always about greatness. It's about consistency. Consistent hard work leads to success. Greatness will come.”
Dave

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

As leaves begin to bud, birds sing their lyrical songs, and racoons start to emerge from their long hibernation from deep underground near the earths core, we know that spring is almost upon us. It is a time of growth and renewal. Like the tiny acorn slowly growing into the mighty maple tree, so too have our children's minds and spirits grown throughout the school year. It is within that spirit of growth that we must remember that September registration is right around the corner. Enrolment is a vital component to the longevity of our great school so now is the time to spread the good word of Evergreen to friends and community.



*Playground
move*

Support joy!



SWING INTO JOY!

At Evergreen, we believe in the power of play. Our playground is a shared space not just for our students but for the entire community. We're excited to enhance this space with a new swing set, providing joy and adventure to every child who steps onto our grounds, but we need your help!

Why a New Swing Set Matters:

Playgrounds are not just structures; they are havens for childhood memories and growth. An updated swing set ensures a safe and enjoyable environment for our students and the wider community. It's about fostering laughter, promoting physical health, and creating a space where imaginations soar.

Impact Beyond the School Gates:

Your donation ([link](#)) goes beyond the schoolyard; it's an investment in community well-being. Up-to-date playgrounds encourage outdoor activity, social interaction, and contribute to the overall vibrancy of our community.

Let's create a space where children can swing into joy, fostering a sense of unity and shared experiences.

About Evergreen:

Situated in Cobble Hill on Vancouver Island, BC, Evergreen is more than a school; it's a community hub. Our playground is a reflection of our commitment to holistic development and community engagement. By contributing to our "Swing into Joy" campaign, you become a vital part of this shared space.

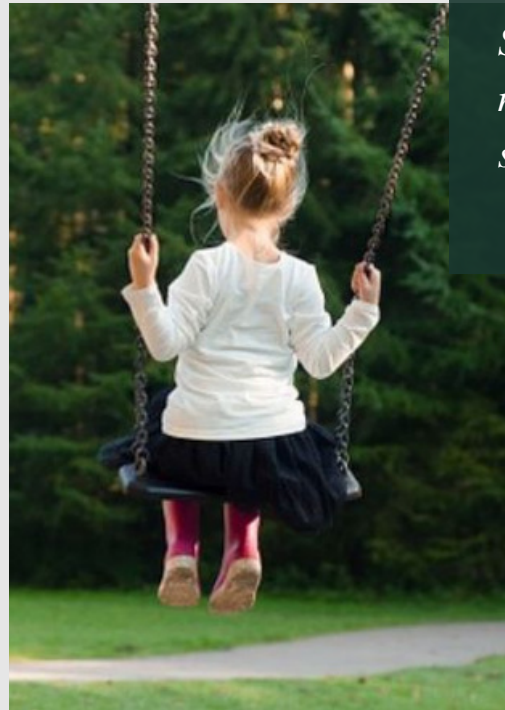
Your Support Matters:

Your donation ([link](#)) will directly impact the lives of children and families, offering a refreshed and safe playground experience. Let's swing into joy together and create a space where smiles are abundant, laughter is contagious, and play knows no bounds.

Join the Swing into Joy Campaign:

Be a part of this exciting journey to enhance our playground. Donate today ([link](#)) and help us create a vibrant space where the joy of play knows no limits.

Support a new swing set!



*Calendar
&
Reminders*

CALENDAR & REMINDERS

The school calendar can be found on our website under [Calendar](#) (click link to go to calendar):

- March 7 - Student-led conferences 3:30-6:00
- March 8 - Student-led conferences 8:30-12:30
- March 8 - School CLOSED for Spring Break
- March 25 - school Open for Spring term
- March 25 - Hearing tests in Kindergarten
- March 27 - Pizza day
- March 28 - Board meeting
- April 1 - School CLOSED for Easter Monday
- April 3 - Food Literacy day
- April 5 - school OPEN in lieu
- April 5 - Sacred Cedar trip all day
- April 8 - Ready, Set, Learn!
- April 10 - Pizza day
- April 11 - Theme activity day

COMMUNITY CORNER

Scotch Broom Workshops with Ingrid! A set of workshops where we learn and play with making coil baskets out of scotch broom. Details on [Eventbrite](#)

Cari Burdett hosts **Backyard Sessions: nature connection & ancestral skills** classes once a month on Sundays. Details are available [HERE](#).

Learning Different Educational Services, promotes student learning and assists students in obtaining the skills necessary for them to learn with confidence and success, in a style and pace that works best for them. I've completed over 60 hours of Orton Gillingham training designed to help students struggling with literacy. I currently teach both Literacy and Numeracy skill development. If you want to learn more about ways your child could benefit, please email me (Tamara Service) at LD.educationservice@gmail.com



*Private
Tutoring*

STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Student-led conferences are an opportunity for each student to share highlights on their learning with parents & guardians. It is student-led, personal, and in their own words! Our students prepare a portfolio of their learning, selecting pieces that inspired, motivated, or challenged them. They choose work that reflects their growth and reflects their sense of accomplishment.

At Evergreen we hold 2 conferences each year, one after the November reporting period, and one just before Spring break, again after the winter report card.

Conferences



UPDATES & REMINDERS

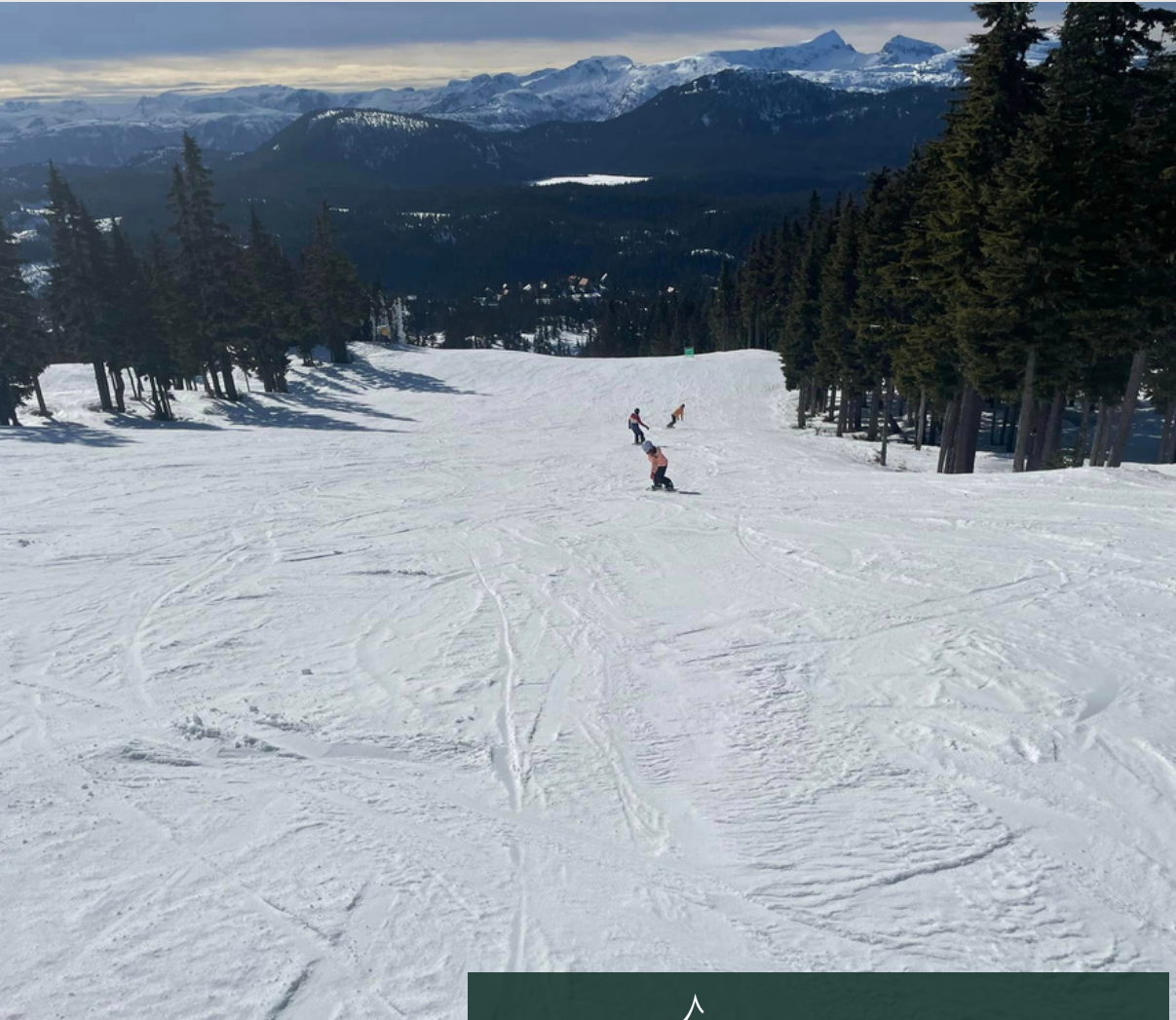
Please remember to check in with Leslie if your child is late, needs to be picked up early, or is returning from an appointment, so we can record accurate attendance and ensure student safety.

Please check lost & found, downstairs in the library, as we will be donating all items during Spring break..

Through the province's Feeding Futures School Food Program Funding, we will be continuing our program of having snacks available to all students in Leslie's office.

Lost & Found





 **SKI DAY**





ALL SCHOOL SKATE

