



GREENPAGES

*"fostering
the family
feeling"*

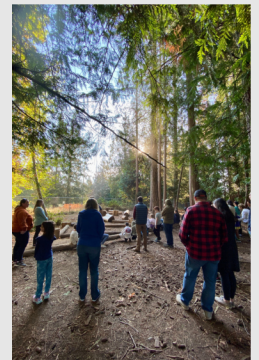


MESSAGE FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

Evergreen school uniquely fosters a whole *school community*, one that allows students to lean into a family feeling, based on the interplay between being a leader and a learner, where students are allowed to grow, change and learn in a self-assured way. We have developed our curriculum and programming to regularly give students opportunities to spend time in larger mixed-age groups, such as combined PE, and in smaller mixed-age groups such as reading buddies or knitting. These smaller groups allow senior students to practice and develop their mentorship and leadership skills, to hold space with empathy while younger students are learning, and to find pride in their own abilities and accomplishments. There are regular knitting, reading, drawing, games, and sharing opportunities that promote this way of learning at our school.

We support students' emerging identities through Sharing Galas, where students can present on a topic of their choosing, be it sharing a rock and gem collection, or performing a song or dance. We are working with students to be active listeners and kind and supportive champions of each other's passions.

Ultimately, our goal is to teach students to be inclusive, kind, confident, and passionate. It is a long journey, and at times a bumpy one, yet we are thrilled to be a part of this growth for the primary years of our student's learning experience.



*renewed
sense of
purpose*



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

We are currently in the process of revising our mission, vision, and values statements to ensure they are aligned with our goals and aspirations. We are committed to providing our students with the best possible experience, and this revision is foundational to understanding what that looks like at the school, how we speak about it on our website, and how we attract new families.

Proposed Vision:

At Evergreen we cultivate a community where students are encouraged to explore their own beliefs, values, and interests while fostering strong relationships and a deep respect for the natural world.

Proposed Mission:

We aim to nurture a generation of confident, lifelong learners, rich in emotional wisdom, who will leave a lasting impact on the world.

Proposed Values:

Love of Learning and Curiosity, Emotional Literacy, Environmental Stewardship, Building Community, Respect for Self

These were created based on research, discovery with our administration, and surveys to parents. Our next step is to receive input from our staff to ensure that these statements and values truly reflect our school's priorities and where we're growing in the future. We are confident that this process will result in a renewed sense of purpose and direction for our school, and we look forward to sharing our updated statements with you in the coming months.

UPDATE FROM THE BOARD

Exciting opportunity: Join our executive board as Treasurer or Secretary! Help shape our future and make a difference. Reach out to board.chair@evergreenbc.net for more information.

Seeking
Treasurer
&
Secretary



A LOOK INSIDE THE CLASSROOM

WITS is a program created by educators for educators to help children prevent victimization, such as bullying, discrimination and lateral violence. The WITS program gives children aged 5 to 11 the tools to manage conflicts and empowers them to make safe, positive choices within their community.

WITS provides students, their teachers, parents and caregivers, and community leaders with a common language to discuss conflict & peer victimization. Children across Canada proudly exclaim “I use my WITS” as they engage in positive, pro-social behaviours. WITS is an acronym based on these four strategies: Walk away, Ignore, Talk it out, & Seek help

W.I.T.S.
Program



SHOWCASING OUR SCHOOL

Are you on Facebook and/or Instagram? We regularly use these platforms to showcase our students' work, events, reminders, and updates. Please follow us on Facebook & Instagram. For those that have children at the school, we have a parent facebook group where we post updates, reminders and other school related info. Come join our ***Parent Facebook group!***

For our alumni, including alumni parents, we have have an ***Alumni Facebook group,*** too!



Student
Work,
Reminders,
& Updates



*Calendar
&
Reminders*

CALENDAR & REMINDERS

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

- March 6 - Cowichan Tribes fish hatchery trip
- March 8 - Report cards go home
- March 8 - Bottle drive
- March 9 - Student-led conferences 3:30-7:00
- March 10 - Student-led conferences 8:30-12:30
- March 13 - Spring break begins
- March 27 - School re-opens
- April 3 - Ready-set-learn TBC
- April 5 - Food literacy theme day

COMMUNITY CORNER

Spring break camps are offered by the CVRD. Follow them on [Facebook](#) for more information or check out their website and [recreation guide](#) for details.

www.cvrld.ca/3025/Spring-Break-Camps

*Spring
Break
camps -
CVRD*



*Melissa
Bosma -
Pine
teacher*



GET TO KNOW US

Having taught locally and abroad, I continue to recognize how unique Evergreen is, and the important role it plays in the community. While I currently teach Kindergarten and Grade One in Pine class, I've been teaching various grades at Evergreen since 2012. I have a Bachelor of Education from Vancouver Island University and am pleased to continue to work in such a beautiful environment with wonderful people.

When I'm not at school I can be found curled up at home with my kids, my cats, a good book, and a hot cup of tea. Any tea will do. I live in Langford, a stone's throw from the lake, and find the commute very beautiful.

UPDATES

Sick child? Call the school at 250-743-2433 or [email](#) Leslie at the school before 9 am.

Please use the pull-through for drop off & pick up only while remaining in your vehicle. Blue badge holders use the space for parking. Thank you.

Student-led conferences fall on Thursday, March 9 from 3:30 - 7:00, and Friday, March 10 from 8:30 - 12:30. Please look for information from Leslie on how and when to sign up.

Spring break is from Monday, March 13 with a return to classes on Monday, March 26.

Do you know of someone looking for a rental space? Check out our Pavillion booking page on our [website](#)

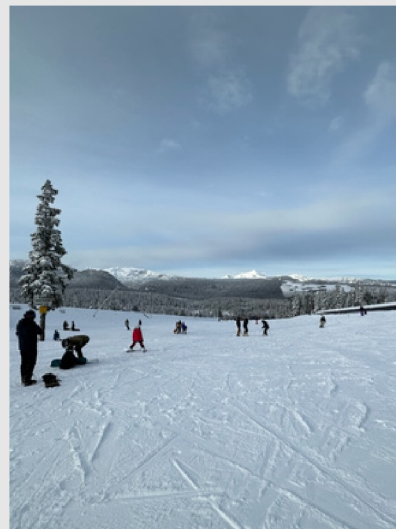
Sick Child?

*Spring Break &
Student
Conferences*

Parking

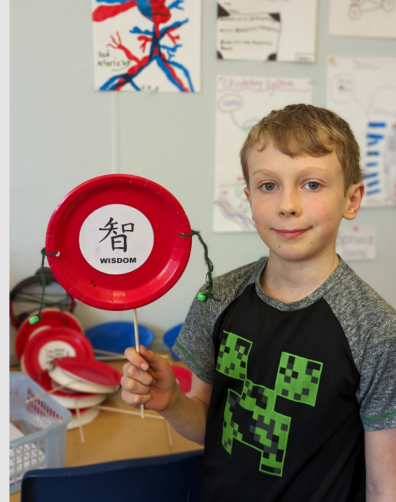
**Spring
Break**





 **FAMILY DAY SKI TRIP**





THEME ACTIVITY DAY

