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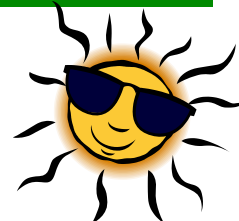
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# Rogers Elementary School Newsletter

May 15, 2014

*We care about ourselves, each other and this place.*

## Dates and Reminders



Find more dates and events on Rogers [website](#)

Friday, May 16	Professional Development Day
Monday, May 19	Victoria Day - School closed
Thursday, May 22	Zone Track Meet @ UVic (Gr. 3-5)
Tuesday, May 27	City Track Finals @ UVic - 6:00 pm
Wednesday, May 28	Welcome to Kindergarten for incoming Ks - am Bike Rodeo - Info coming out soon PAC Pita Pit Lunch
Thursday, May 29	Class and Whole School Picture Day
Friday, June 20	Gr. 5 Year End Celebration Assembly
Monday, June 23	Fun Day
Thursday, June 26	Last day of classes

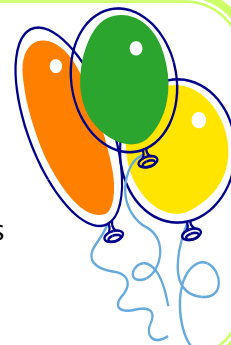
**ROGERS STUDENT ABSENCES**

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**PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE ABSENT**

### Thank you Mrs. Robertson!

After an accomplished career, Mrs. Robertson will be retiring at the end of the school year. She has made a difference in the lives of the students and families she has worked with in her classroom and she will be missed at Rogers. We wish Mrs. Robertson well as she begins the next chapter of her life and enjoys the well deserved time with family and friends.



**If your child will not be returning to Rogers in September, please let the Office know ASAP.**

Find us on the web:

[www.rogers.sd61.bc.ca](http://www.rogers.sd61.bc.ca)

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# Rogers Elementary School

## *School Hours 2014 – 2015*

School Starts: 8:40 am  
 Recess: 10:12 – 10:32 am  
 Lunch: 11:49 am – 12:39 pm  
 Dismissal: 2:43 pm  
 Friday Dismissal: 2:41 pm



## *School Calendar 2014 – 2015*

School Opens:	Tuesday, September 2
Professional Development Day	Monday, September 22
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 13
Parent Teacher Interviews	Wednesday, October 22 (Early Dismissal) Thursday, October 23 (Early Dismissal)
Professional Development Day	Friday, October 24
Remembrance Day	Tuesday, November 11
Professional Development Day	Friday, November 21
Last Day before Winter Vacation	Friday, December 19
Winter Vacation	December 20 - January 4, 2015
School Re-opens after Winter Vacation	Monday, January 5
Professional Development Day	Monday, January 26 (Rogers)
Family Day	Monday, February 9
Professional Development Day	Friday, February 20
Last Day before Spring Vacation	Friday, March 6
Spring Vacation	March 7 - 22
School Re-opens after Spring Vacation	Monday, March 23
Good Friday	Friday, April 3
Easter Monday	Monday, April 6
Student Led Conferences	Wednesday, April 15 (Early Dismissal) Thursday, April 16 (Early Dismissal)
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18
Professional Development Day	Tuesday, May 19
Last Day of School for Students	Thursday, June 25
Administrative Day – Schools Close	Friday, June 26

# 2014 / 15 Class Placement Requests

Later this Spring we will begin the process of building classes for the upcoming school year. We welcome input from parents outlining the educational reasons for a class placement request.

**Requests must be in writing to Mr. Thomas by Friday, May 30th**  
(You may also submit your request via email to [srthomas@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:srthomas@sd61.bc.ca))

Your request should address the specific needs of your child (e.g. structured environment, social relationships, etc.) rather than placement with a specific teacher. Class organizations as indicated are subject to change as are teaching assignments. Please consider the following when writing your request.

*Pursuant to School Act B.C. Regulation 265/89 Section 5 (7)(b) and (c), and the Agreement between the Board of Education of the Greater Victoria School District and the Greater Victoria Teachers Association Articles 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3, the following process shall be utilized annually to determine the placement of students in classes.*

## **School Organization:**

*After the annual staffing has been allocated to the school for the coming year, the principal in consultation with the professional staff will decide the tentative school organization for the following year. Many factors are considered in determining this organization, including: the number of students at each grade level, class size limits, needs of individual students, overall composition of classes.*

## **Placement of Students:**

*In the later part of each school year, students will be temporarily organized into class groups for the next year. It must be understood that these groups may need to be altered during the first part of September to accommodate the unexpected movement of students during the summer. Each student will be considered individually and each class will be considered as a unit. Every effort will be made to place each student in the most appropriate situation academically, socially and emotionally in the larger context of the needs of all children. The following factors will be considered:*

- *specific learning strengths, needs and styles*
- *behavioural needs*
- *social/emotional needs including placement with a friend*
- *male/female balance*
- *siblings*
- *effort, achievement and independence*
- *groupings appropriate for the best learning environment for all*
- *age range*
- *dynamics between children*

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## 1000 Books by Age Five

Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria



### Spring Cleaning?

Thanks for all the books you have donated – in just over 3 years, you have helped send **67,000 books into the hands of babies and preschoolers** who have few resources. Reading to babies and preschoolers is the single most significant factor in increasing literacy.

We are running a bit low just now – so if you are clearing out clutter, could you search for a few books and drop them in the pink bin outside the School's Office.



## WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

We welcome our new Kindergarten students to Rogers this month. Invites have been sent home to all of our incoming Kindergarten students and families. Circle these dates on the calendar:

### WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN STUDENT VISITS

Wednesday, May 28th - during the morning

This visit is designed for your child to connect to the school and staff. This fun filled visit is a great introduction to the school, classmates, families and community. At the end of the event all students in attendance will receive a great resource bag of activities and supplies for at home. You will find your child's visit time in the information sent home.

### WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN PARENT EVENING

Wednesday, June 4th - 6:00 - 7:00 pm

This parent only evening gives all incoming Kindergarten parents a chance to meet the Principal and Vice Principal and learn about Rogers School. You will also have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about Kindergarten and Rogers Schools. Day care is available for those who need it.

Families are asked to RSVP to [rogers@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:rogers@sd61.bc.ca)

