



EDGEHILL
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Eagle Eye—MONTHLY NEWS

MAY 2025



Grade 4 teacher at Edgehill Elementary, Francine Ulmer, championed and successfully received two separate grants — one from World Wildlife Fund Canada (WWF-Canada) and another from the qathet School District Environmental Initiatives Fund — to support a school-wide sustainability project focused on revegetating their outdoor classroom and advancing their efforts to achieve EcoSchools certification, which recognizes environmental excellence in elementary and secondary schools across Canada. To read the full article, click here: <https://www.sd47.bc.ca/ci/p/8174>

Important Dates

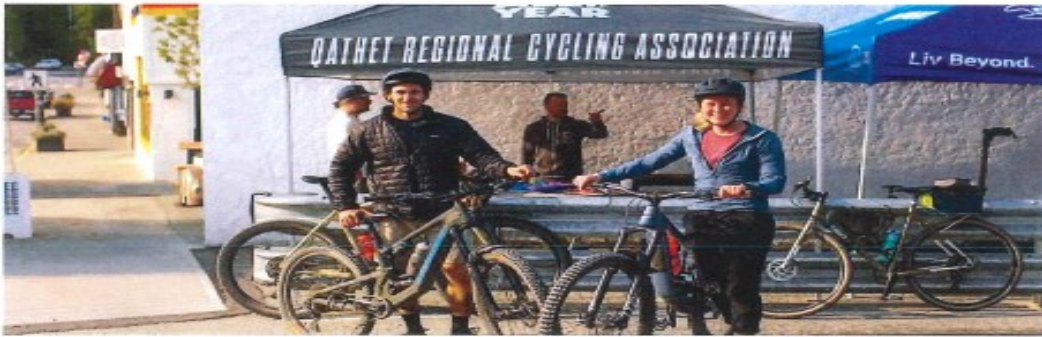
Mon May 19—Victoria Day (no school)
Wed May 21—PAC Meeting—7pm EH Library
Fri May 23—Assembly
Fri May 30—qSD Track & Field Meet
Fri June 6—Picnic in the Park: Volunteer Thank You

Fri Jun 13—Last PAC Hot Lunch of the year
Thurs Jun 19—Fun Day @ Edgehill
Tues June 24—Palm Beach Day
Thurs June 26—Last Day of School!
Summative Reports Issued

For even MORE
important
dates, please
refer to the
WAG that Mr.
Burt sends out
weekly!



T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST



Theme: 'A vibrant community connected by cycling'

DETAILS:

- All submissions must reflect the theme
- Submissions will be accepted digitally as a PDF or Vector line OR on 8.5x11" paper
- Digital submission to be sent to **info@qrca.ca**
- Print submissions will be accepted at Taws Bikeshop and Suncoast Cycles
- Submission **must include Name, Phone Number or E-mail Address, School (optional)**
- Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place entries
- Entries will be judged by QRCA Board Members
- Winner announced June 6, 2025 (end of Go By Bike Week)

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MAY 31ST, 2025

EXCITING PRIZES FROM:

TAWS
SUNCOAST CYCLES
SUPERCHARGER
KINGPOST CONSTRUCTION
MAHONY BIKE CO
RIDE MOUNT MAHONY
TOWNSITE
RIDE FREE APPAREL

PAC Pizza Hot Lunches



Last PAC Hot Lunch—June 13th!

Order due by June 10th



Use www.munchalunch.com to order and to pay online

- Order now for all hot lunches, or order each month
- If you are unable to pay online please send an email to the office (sarah.bigold@sd47.bc.ca) PRIOR to the due dates.

**Cheques and cash are accepted, however, change will not be given*

- If financial barriers are preventing you from ordering, please contact the office!

PAC FUNDRAISER

- * All orders will be shipped to Edgehill
- * Last date to shop online: 2025-May-23
- * Choose from 18 delicious options



Shop here: [Edgehill Elementary PAC—Mitchell's Soup](#)

Check out some of the options!



Old Fashioned Beef Barley Soup Mix



Classic Chicken & Herb Soup Mix
\$10.99



Chuckwagon Chili Mix
\$10.99

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Organization ID: 7836

Last Date to Shop Online: 2025-May-24

Shipping options include FREE shipping to Edgehill PAC or \$18.95 to a home address, any ship to home orders that retail \$150+ will ship to the address FREE!

[Shop Online here!](#)

Check out some of the options below... Great for Father's Day!



Original Beef Jerky



Teriyaki Beef Jerky



Montreal Spice Beef



Hot N' Sweet Beef Jerky

Helping Your Child Succeed: School Attendance Matters

Every School Day Counts!

Encouraging regular attendance and supporting early reading helps set kids up for a lifetime of learning and success! When kids miss school regularly, they miss more than just lessons—they miss opportunities to build confidence, friendships, and a love of learning.



Why Attendance Matters

- **Good attendance builds strong habits.** Kids who attend school regularly are more likely to graduate and find good opportunities later in life.
- **Missing school, even a little, adds up.** Children who miss just two days a month (10% of the school year) are at higher risk of falling behind in reading and struggling academically.
- **Learning happens every day.** Even one day missed can mean missing important skills and group activities that help kids grow.

What You Can Do to Help

- **You're not alone!** Schools and communities are here to support you if challenges like transportation, health, or family schedules make attendance tough. Reach out!
- **Routines help.** Regular bedtimes, morning checklists, and a set schedule make school mornings smoother.
- **Know the signs.** If your child is anxious about school, talk to teachers early. Small issues can feel big to kids, but together, we can help.

By working together, we can build a strong foundation for learning and success to ensure all children have the best chance to thrive. **Thank you for all you do to support your child's learning!**

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you dance



Join The National Ballet of Canada's

YOU dance Livestream

Thursday, May 15
at 12:00 pm ET

[Register Here](#)

Please note: If you have previously registered for YOU dance livestreams, you will be required to register again.

About YOU dance

YOU dance (Youth, Outreach and Understanding dance) is the National Ballet's signature education and community engagement programme. Designed to inspire elementary school students and cultivate a deeper understanding of the arts, YOU dance has reached over 390,000 students across Canada since its creation in 2007.

The National Ballet of Canada is pleased to invite you and your students to join us for the **YOU dance Livestream on Thursday, May 15, 2025, at 12:00 pm ET.**

This **FREE** virtual learning opportunity is open to all grades but is specifically designed for grades 4 to 6 students. The hour-long performance features the National Ballet's RBC Apprentices dancing a diverse repertoire, engaging discussions led by our hosts and opportunities for the entire class to get moving.

Join over 20,000 students from school boards across Canada for the YOU dance Livestream!

Advance registration is required, and curriculum-based resources will be available prior to the livestream performance.

If you are unable to join us for the livestream at 12:00 pm ET, a recording of the event will be available from May 15 to 29 for your students to enjoy. To gain access to the recording, you must register for the event.

Have a question? We're here to help! For more information about The National Ballet of Canada's YOU dance Livestream, please contact education@nationalballet.ca

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YOU dance Lead Sponsor

Emerging Artists
Support is provided through the RBC Foundation.

YOU dance is supported by Ballet Club Relevé, Elizabeth A. & Richard J. Currie, O.C., Susanne Boyce & Brendan Mullen, an Anonymous Donor, Fatima Laher, Ruth Watts-Granden, The Anna McCowan-Johnson Dance Accessibility Fund and the Robert & Joan Shatilla Education Fund.

2024/25 YOU dance RBC Apprentices, from left: Joëlo Massel, Yelju Jang, Karim Laidjising, Ryan Kao Cheng, Yi-Min Tsung, Maisee Anderson, Luiz Anselmo, Ewan Hartman, Seunghye Han, Tom Cape and Ana Zamora. Photo by Karolina Kuras.



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Barriers

Foundry qathet is an integrated hub of barrier-free health and social services that reaches youth aged 12-24 before they are in crises

Waitlists

drop-in mental, physical, and sexual health, substance use services, youth and family peer support, and social services

Cost

all services free for youth and caregivers to access

Inaccessible

services and programs outside of school hours in a safe, accessible environment

Referrals

no referral need for youth to access a wide variety of health and social services

Confusing

no need to navigate the system or tell their story multiple times because services are integrated

Uncomfortable

Foundry qathet is designed from start to finish with youth input to create a place where youth are celebrated not just tolerated

foundrybc.ca/qathet



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Frequently Asked Questions

Who?

Host agency: Youth & Family with input from youth, caregivers, and community partners.

What?

Foundry qathet will offer young people aged 12-24 health and social services under one roof.

Why?

We want to reach young people early so that we can help address small problems before they become bigger ones.

When?

Staff are working hard to break ground this fall. Our goal is to open the doors in fall of 2026. Virtual services are available now at foundrybc.ca

Where?

The location will be announced soon.

How?

17 centres are already open across BC! Operating costs are provincially funded. The capital build (construction costs) are partially funded. Youth & Family is currently fundraising for Foundry qathet. Scan here to donate:



Youth & Family
Lead Agency
youthandfamily.ca

Youth & Family (Powell River Child, Youth & Family Services)
We are a registered charity.
Delyth Harper, Foundry qathet Project Manager
e-mail charper@youthandfamily.ca 604-223-7047



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Let's Talk About Ticks...



Going outdoors? Watch for ticks!



Ticks can grab onto you from the grass, bushes and forests of BC. While most tick bites don't cause diseases, some can make you very sick. Prevent tick bites and remove them quickly to avoid diseases, like Lyme disease.

Before going outdoors

- 1** Wear light coloured, long sleeved clothing.
Tuck in your shirt and pants.
- 2** Use bug spray with DEET or Icaridin on your clothes and uncovered skin.

After going outdoors

- 3** Do a full body check for ticks on:
 - yourself
 - kids
 - pets
 - outdoor gear



If you find a tick on your skin

- 4** Use tweezers to grab the head of the tick and remove it. Wash the area with soap.
- 5** Take a photo of the tick and submit to [eTick.ca](https://etick.ca)
- 6** Store the tick in a container in the freezer for 30 days.

Watch for symptoms like a rash or fever. Talk to a health care provider if you feel unwell within 30 days. For more information, visit the [BCCDC Lyme Disease website](https://www.bccdc.ca/health-services/communicable-diseases/lyme-disease).

FOUND A TICK?

- ✓ Send us a picture of the tick you encountered.
- ✓ Our eTick personnel will quickly identify the species.
- ✓ We'll let you know about any possible health hazards.

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

etick.ca



For more information about ticks, click here: [BC Health Link: TICK INFO](https://www.bccdc.ca/health-services/communicable-diseases/ticks)

TickTOOL



Information and practical advice to help you protect yourself and your family from blacklegged ticks.

ticktool.etick.ca

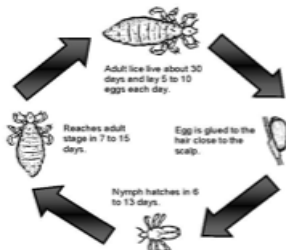
Let's Talk About Lice...

Healthlink BC—Let's Talk Lice



HOW TO GET RID OF HEAD LICE WET COMBING

LIFECYCLE OF THE HEAD LOUSE



HEAD LICE FACTS

- Lice are tiny insects about the size of a sesame seed.
- Anyone with hair can get head lice.
- Lice do not have wings and cannot fly or jump.
- Lice move quickly in dry hair and this makes them hard to see.
- Lice do not live long once they are off the head. They only lay eggs close to the scalp.
- Having head lice does not always make the scalp itchy.
- Lice commonly move to other heads when heads touch and rarely by sharing hairbrushes and combs.

- Lice are common where children play or work closely together.
- Once a lice egg has hatched, the empty eggshell stays stuck to the hair.
- If you find an eggshell more than half an inch away from the scalp, it is most likely empty.
- The eggshells are white and look like dandruff but cannot be brushed or blown away.

WHEN TO CHECK

- Regularly **ONCE A WEEK** after shampooing
- If your child's playmates have head lice
- When a family member has head lice
- When a person is scratching his or her head more than usual

WHAT YOU NEED

- Shampoo and white-coloured conditioner (low-priced is fine)
- Wide-tooth comb to untangle hair
- Towels and paper towels
- Lice comb - we recommend a narrow comb with fine teeth and slanted tips, such as a "Bug Busting" comb, that makes it easier to remove lice.
- Lice combs are available at many Public Health Units and pharmacies.

HOW TO CHECK FOR LICE



- Wash and rinse hair.
- Put enough conditioner on the hair to cover the whole scalp (usually about 2 handfuls).
- Use a wide-toothed comb to get tangles out.
- Begin combing the head carefully with the lice comb. While you are combing over the head, keep the teeth of the comb touching the scalp at all times.
- Checking can be done with the head forward over the sink, combing from the back of the head to the front, or from a sitting position going from the front of the head to the back.
- Pull the comb through the hair in one stroke. If the comb tugs, add more conditioner.
- After each stroke, wipe the comb on a paper towel and look for lice.
- Make sure to comb the entire head, checking for lice after each stroke.

If you find any lice, move onto the treatment process.

IF YOU FIND LICE

- Hats, pillowcases, combs and hairbrushes that have had contact with the head in the previous 2 days could be considered for cleaning in hot soapy water.
- Clean the supplies that you used for checking for lice in hot soapy water.
- You **DO NOT** need to spend time cleaning the house.

Use this chart to keep track of the days (shaded areas) that you need to comb and condition.



TREATMENT (IF YOU FIND LICE)

- With the conditioner still on, pull the comb through the hair in one stroke from the front to the back of the head. Keep the teeth in contact with the scalp for the entire stroke.
- After each stroke, rinse the comb in warm water. Check the comb for lice before you pull it through the hair again to make sure you do not put lice back onto the head.
- Keep combing over the entire head until you find no more lice.
- Rinse the hair to remove conditioner. Leave the hair wet.
- Untangle the hair with a wide-tooth comb to take out the knots.
- Comb the whole head again with a lice comb, rinsing the comb after each stroke to make sure there are no more lice.
- Keep repeating the steps **every 4 days** for a full two weeks to make sure that new lice are removed as the eggs hatch.
- If lice are found on the fourth combing, add one more combing in 4 days.



For more information, contact your local Health Unit:

www.islandhealth.ca/our-locations/health-unit-locations

Heart-Mind Well-Being



There are two programs that we use at school with our students that help teach them skills and strategies in many social situations: Heart Mind & Well-Being Framework and WITS. These programs have helped us create a common language at school that our students are getting very familiar with. We have been very happy with the positive impact it has been having. Please look at the following resources. Over Spring break, you may even want to talk to your children about the programs or try some of the phrases and terms at home! If you have any questions, please contact us at school.

[WITS at Home](#) [HMWB Resources for Families](#)



Walk away
Ignore
Talk it out
Seek help

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	\$200 PER PLAYER	AUGUST 18-22	9AM TO 3PM	AGES 5-14



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11 am to 1 pm**

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PARKING LOT**

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helmets and have
fun learning about
bike safety

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I need help

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needs to ask for help sometimes



Talk to someone

Get in touch with a counsellor or a
trained professional to talk about
things you or someone you know
may be dealing with.



Report it
anonymously

The erase Report It tool is an easy
way to send a message to your
school safety team, who can help.



Call 911

If you aren't sure if your situation
is an emergency, you can still call.
Help is available.

Learn about **erase**
and access the
Report It tool



erase.gov.bc.ca

GO BY BIKE WEEK STARTS

JUNE 2 FOR
EDGEHILL STUDENTS!



GOBYBIKEWEEK

for
SCHOOLS

MAY 31 to JUNE 6

SPRING 2025



HELP YOUR SCHOOL
WIN

Two BC schools will
WIN \$1,000
to support active
transportation!



REGISTER
TODAY!



GoByBikeBC
BIKE IT. YOU'LL LOVE IT.

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2025/26 SEASON

Registration opening on

May 15th

Closing on

June 15th



Find the registration link at
www.powellriverminorhockey.com