



Hello K-12 Island ConnectEd Students, Parents and caregivers,

Highlights: It was a very busy week at ICE.



- A big thank you to two of our senior students Riley Sippel and Llyra Tucker-Strashok who represented Island ConnectEd this past Tuesday along with other district student voices in the “Student Voice Session for Environmental Planning” Next week KJ Warner and Takara Rogers will be representing us in a district student voice session regarding cell phones use.

- Thank you to Matt Murray from the Career and the CTC Trades Trailer for working with our grade 6 and 7 students and introducing them to carpentry, plumbing and electrical. For the individual project students built a jelly bean dispenser. Mr Young was very happy to sample the black jelly beans.
- It was lovely hearing the sound of music coming from room 116 on Wednesday afternoon for the PAC hosted K-3 Music Lesson.
- Thursday, we hosted a very special guest Donna Manson who led us in drum making and story. The students did a beautiful job making our drums. We are looking forward to painting designs on them next and learning songs to drum and sing to from the Hulquamunum culture. Hay'ch q'a Donna.
- Another fantastic Friday, filled with Floor Hockey, Food and Board Games. Thank you to Sheri and team for the amazing Wonton Soup and cheesy garlic bread.

Please find our upcoming events calendar and link to our parent calendar below:

[23/24-ICE_Calendar_Parent](#)

<i>Upcoming Events and Activities at ICE</i>	
In-person K-7 Classes (Pink Shirt Day ICE)	Tuesday, Feb 27th
PAC Meeting - In room 116	Tuesday, Feb 27th - 9am
Pink Shirt Day - Observed	Wednesday, Feb 28th
K-1 Book Club - Library	Wednesday, Feb 28th (11-noon)
Clubs Day	Thursday, Feb 29th
PAC Free Skate - Frank Crane	Thursday, Feb 29nd - 1:30-2:30pm
Find Your Fit - Careers Fair - Gr 5-10	Friday, Mar 1st- All day

1. Wear a Pink Shirt on Tuesday and Wednesday

- Island Connect Ed will be celebrating and promoting Pink Shirt Day on Tuesday and Wednesday. We encourage our community to wear pink to support kindness and anti-bullying.



2. Find your Fit Event at Island ConnectEd - Friday, March 1st



Students from Grade 5 – 10 are invited to join the fun. * Grade 11 students are welcome to join if they like or are taking grade 10 courses.

CLE students can earn assignment credit for attendance (your teacher will communicate that to you), Grades 8/9 as well (see Mela and Josh for details).

Students must fill out this form to reserve a spot: <https://forms.office.com/r/a9XHV0hJ84>

Sessions: (Students choose the time they want to attend)

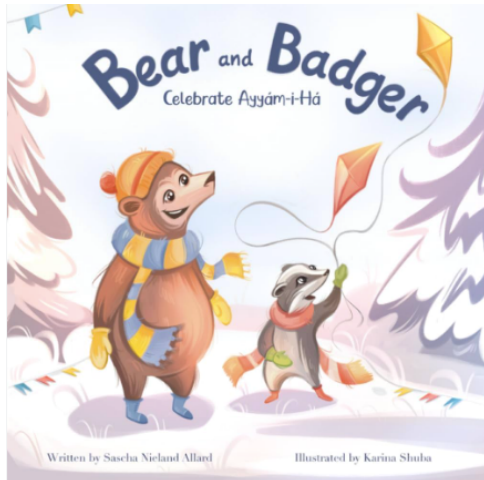
8:45 – 9:45 (Grade 5-7)

9:55- 10:55 (Grade 5-10)

11:05 – 12:05 (Grade 8-10)

1:00 – 2 (Grade 8-10)

3) K/1 Book Club (details in message below) is Wednesday Feb 28 from 11-12 pm at ICE Library.



Ayyám-i-Há is a special Baha'i festival that is joyously celebrated in countries and territories all over the world. It is a time of joy, service, fellowship, and hospitality! We will read a delightful story, "Bear and Badger celebrate Ayyám-i-Há" and then in honour of bringing joy to hearts we will make cheerful cards to share with senior residents at Kiwanis Village. We will have an opportunity in March to visit Kiwanis and share our crafts and time with the residents (details to follow).

We hope to see you at the Book Club on February 28 at 11:00am - 12:00pm!

4. PAC meeting next Tuesday Feb 27 at 9 am in room 116. Important PAC announcements.

5) Upcoming World Culture and Food Event



On Thursday, March 07, 2024, we will be (*tentatively – based on interest voiced on the this survey*) holding a World Culture and Food Celebration Day in the Island ConnectEd gym. This is an optional event that is a "you must be a participant to participate" activity. The event will be about an hour in duration and will run around lunch time with extra-time provided for set-up and clean-up. It is a family event so students must be accompanied by an adult.

It is a pot-luck style cultural celebration where students/families choose a culture explore/share/celebrate (either their own or one of interest to them). Students are encouraged to discover some facts about a country -- flag, location in the world, clothing, crafts -- and to share those facts and other cultural items at a table. And some may argue, even more important than the facts ... As a family, you create snack-sized food (either small treats or a big treat that can be cut into smaller pieces that are shared with other participants. Each family gets a table to display their artifacts and food. [For K-7 students, this activity can count towards your ADST activities.]

The end goal is to have a fun time together where we share culture and food! During the event, families get a chance to wander around to different tables to learn more about different cultures and to enjoy a taste of different cultures.

Be sure to bring a plastic plate and forks, and something to drink.

Please complete this quick form if you would like to participate. The more, the merrier!

Survey Link: <https://forms.gle/3KqcozHTEbM5dG6p6>

6) PAC Free Skate continues this Thursday, Feb 29th from 1:30 - 2:30 PM at Frank Crane Arena. This is the last skate of the school year.



- Sign up: <https://forms.gle/DDGWRotPKUehAYJM8>

7) Photo Retakes and Grad Photos

- Grade 12 - Grad Photos - Thursday, March 7th @ Island ConnectEd - ICE has 20 minute time slots starting at 10:00 and going until 11:40. Please let Josh Gillingham (josh.gillingham@sd68b.ca) know if you would like to book a spot now as he will be handling our onsite schedule for grad photos that day.
- **K-12 Photo Retakes - Onsite in the multipurpose room Friday, March 8th 10:00am - 1pm**

8) Safe Schools Together – Family Sessions (Feb 28th)

Safe Schools Together is pleased to announce that in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, they have opened up four more dates for their “Social Media Awareness” Family Sessions. These sessions were designed to support families and caregivers navigate the digital world.

Dates, times and information to register can be found in the link below.

[erase Family Sessions \(saferschoolstogether.com\)](https://saferschoolstogether.com)

Thank you and have a fantastic long family weekend!

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