



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

*Lots of amazing events and opportunities for students and families to engage below. Please take a moment to review if you're interested in any of our upcoming offerings.*

**\*\*\*\* Just a reminder that school will be closed next Friday, Dec 6th for district Pro-D**

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

**Parent Calendar:** [📅 24/25-ICE\\_Calendar Parent](#)

<b>Upcoming Events at Island ConnectEd</b>	
K-7 Art Gallery Session Mixed Art Exploration: Holiday Cards	Monday, Dec 2nd at the Nanaimo Art Gallery 1-2:30pm
In-Person K-7 Classes	Tuesday, Dec 3rd
GSA Club - Multipurpose room	Wednesday, Dec 4th - Noon - 12:45pm
PAC Gr 8-12 Science Activity "Living Spaces"	Wednesday, Dec 4th 1-2pm Rm 116
Yeti Extravaganza K-7 Soccer & Crafts	Thursday, Dec 5th (9:30-11:30)

PAC Skate - Frank Crane Arena	Thursday, Dec 5th (1:30-2:30pm)
School Closed - Pro-D	Friday, Dec 6th
Winter Market	Thursday, Dec 12th
Friday Floor Hockey/Lunch/Games	Friday, Dec 13th - Starts at 11am - 1:45pm

**1) Yeti Extravaganza - K-7 Mini Soccer Tournament, Crafts and Food from 9:30am - 11:30am on Thursday, December 7th**



## **2) Winter Market - Sign Up -See Attached Poster**

*\*\*\* (Still a few tables left -See Attached Poster)*

On Thursday, December 12th from 11 AM to 1:30 PM, our school will be hosting a Students/Family Winter Craft Market (pending interest voiced in this survey). This is a school-based craft fair where students/families can create a variety of things to share and sell (food, crafts, etc.). Our school community will be invited to come and support the event. It has been a wonderful event in the past and we look forward to seeing its return again this year.

Please complete the following quick survey to let us know if you are planning to participate in this event. All are welcome to attend as buyers and looky-loos.

Here is the link to the Winter Market Survey:

<https://forms.gle/BZXHLWgxD7ryTFdEA>

Grade K-7 Students may use this activity as part of their career and/or ADST learning (in conversation with their teacher).

Please note that vendors (those selling or sharing) get an empty table and need to bring a tablecloth and other wanted decorations, signage etc. Be creative and have fun!

There is no cost to host a table. Every table must have an Island ConnectEd student in attendance and taking an active role. Students and families keep all proceeds (\$\$) earned from the sale of their crafts.

## **3) Grade 8-12 PAC Sponsored Science Activity**

Sign up Link: <https://simpli.events/e/404d19>



#### **4) K-7 Art Gallery Session Mixed Art Exploration: Holiday Cards**

Monday December 2, 2024

Nanaimo Art Gallery - 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

<https://simpli.events/e/408220>

#### **5) CTC - Health Care Careers - Exploratory Day - Jan 9th, 2025**

- **See attached Poster**

The Career Technical Centre is sponsoring an Amazing Event with Island Health to introduce students to Careers in Health Care. Please read the Document "Health Care Careers – Exploratory Day" for information and use

the QR code to sign up. This is open to only 50 students in School District 68.

You do not want to miss this opportunity as it will fill up very fast. Students that have been accepted will be notified by Email before the Winter Break.

## **6) GSA Group - Wednesday from Noon - 12:45**

*From Madeleine Dwyer our new Wednesday counselor:*

Hi everyone, we're going to be running the GSA (Gender and Sexuality Alliance) group on Wednesdays from noon to 12:45 in the MPR.

All students in grades 6-12 are welcome. As Sheri says, the only rule is kindness.

The purpose of this group is to create a safe and inclusive space for LGBTQ2+ students and allies.

We'll be hanging out, chatting, eating food and playing games or doing other fun activities.

## **7) Wellness Wednesday - Social Group for any grade 8-12 Students**

*From our counselor: Madeleine Dwyer*

Hi everyone, I am asking if you can please share this with any grade 8-12 students who may be interested in Wellness Wednesdays:

November 27 to December 18: Maddy (one of school counsellors) will run Wellness Wednesday group for grades 8-12, from 1pm to 1:45pm. (rm 116 and/or MPR)

We will be looking at strategies for anxiety, stress, and other similar mental health topics to start. We will use some Open Parachute content, but students can also help guide our direction.

I've created a google form for students to let me know if they're coming. (Ideally, they sign up beforehand, but last minute drop-ins would be welcome too)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSceu1CCr8WXt1Yj5xmnwhdUOCDI\\_NHEs9aVuyZScrggb7b0-zw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSceu1CCr8WXt1Yj5xmnwhdUOCDI_NHEs9aVuyZScrggb7b0-zw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

## 8) Thursday Pac Free Skate (see poster)



Location: Frank Crane Arena - Time: 1:30 - 2:30 pm

I.C.E. families are invited to a PAC Skate! All K-12 students, families and siblings are welcome. Skate and helmet rental included.

Parents are required to supervise their children on-site (or arrange shared/ coordinated care with other parents). No teaching staff are on-site.

Online liability form must be filled out for all on-ice participants (once per school year).

Sign-up & Liability Link: <https://forms.gle/Rgs1271aNDG1rZX38>.

## **9) Grade 10-12 Victoria Museum and Observatory Field Trip - (form attached)**

On January 15<sup>th</sup>, there is a planned field trip that will take students to the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory and to the Royal BC Museum theatre. At the Observatory we will learn about the Big Bang Theory, the telescope and more. At the theatre we will be watching an Imax movie about Space Exploration.

Aside from the fun of learning and being with fellow students (and us teachers too), this is an opportunity for students to earn course credit in one of the following courses:

Science 10

Earth Science 11

Science for Citizens 11

You will need to complete an assignment while on the field trip to get the full credit offered. Your teacher will have the details of what credit you will receive.

**Have a wonderful weekend!**