

— May 2026 —

Montecito News



MAY DATES

May 6 – Class Photos

May 12 – PAC Meeting 7:00
PM library

May 15 – Sports Day,
Dismissal 1:00

May 18 – Victoria Day –
school closed

May 22 – Welcome to
Kindergarten Event 1:30-2:30

Dear Montecito Families,

May is a busy and exciting time at Montecito! As the weather improves, we are enjoying more outdoor learning opportunities and community building events.

Student-Led Conferences

Student-led conferences were a wonderful celebration of learning. These conferences give students the opportunity to take ownership of their progress, reflect on their goals, and proudly share their work with their families. It was heartwarming to see so many parents and caregivers engaged in meaningful conversations with their children, listening attentively as students explained their learning journeys and accomplishments. Thank you to our families for partnering with us and helping make these conferences such a positive and affirming experience for our students.



Yesterday brought plenty of laughter and school spirit as teachers bravely took a pie to the face after students met their fundraising goal for the Terry Fox Foundation. Thanks to the incredible generosity and determination of our students and families, over \$2,700 was raised in support of cancer research. As a reward, students also earned an extra recess. It was a well-deserved celebration of their hard work and compassion. We are so proud of our school community for coming together for such an important cause.



Fundraising Celebration for Terry Fox Foundation



Weaving Project

We were grateful to welcome Sam Seward, of the Squamish and Nanaimo Nations, to our school for a meaningful learning experience focused on Indigenous culture and traditional weaving. During his visit, students learned about the cultural significance of weaving and listened to stories and perspectives rooted in Indigenous knowledge. This engaging experience supported our commitment to learning from authentic voices while fostering respect, curiosity, and understanding of Indigenous cultures. We extend our sincere thanks to PAC for generously funding this opportunity.



Sports Day

Our annual Sports Day will take place on May 15. Dismissal will be at 1:00. This is always a highlight for students! More information will follow.

Please ensure your child:

- Wears comfortable clothing and running shoes
- Is dressed for the weather
- Bring a water bottle



Families are welcome to attend. We hope to see you there!

Health & Well-Being



As we move into a busy season, routines remain important. A good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast help students stay focused and ready to learn throughout the day.

Community & Communication


We value the strong partnership between home and school. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher or the office.

Thank you for being such an important part of our school community. We look forward to a wonderful month ahead!





Got Craft Spring Market May 2 and 3

 May 2 - 3, 2026

 Croatian Cultural Centre
3250 Commercial Drive
Vancouver, British Columbia V5N 4E4



Burnaby Camping Bureau 2025

Camping Bureau appointments begin Apr1, 2026

The Burnaby Camping Bureau provides subsidies for Burnaby children from low income households to attend a week of summer day camp. Our subsidies of \$100 (maximum) will allow children the opportunity to attend a local camp that their families would otherwise be unable to afford.

To qualify, you must be a resident of Burnaby, have children between the ages of 5-15 years, be of low income and have supporting documentation.

You will need the following documents at the time of your appointment:

1. **Proof of Income Statement OR Notice of Assessment for 2025** for **BOTH** parents if married or living common-law. If you don't have one on hand, please get one from below:

Channel	Proof of Income Statement	Notice of Assessment (Alternative)
Online MyCRA	Log in to your CRA Account, scroll down and click on "Tax Returns", You will find Proof of income statement from the right-side of your account, click and select tax year for your proof of income statement	Log in to your CRA Account, scroll down and click on "Tax Returns", You will see a list of your past year's returns. For the most recent year, click on "Notice of Assessment"
Phone	1.800.959.8281 (talk to operator) or 1.800.267.6999 (automated service)	800.959.8281 (talk to operator)

- 2 **Child's ID:** BC Services Card or Care Card, Birth Certificate, PR card, or Passport.

- **Recent proof of address** - copy of a rental agreement, home related bill (hydro, cable gas, internet or phone) or bank statement of your saving or cheque account dated within last 2 months.

*Newcomers to Canada without income proof can request a referral letter from their child's school, settlement, or outreach worker as proof of need.

Parents, please know which camp you are sending your child to when you arrive for an appointment, as well as have all your supporting documents. We will not be able to see you if you don't have a chosen camp or are missing any information.

Appointments will take place at our Brentwood Office: 2055 Rosser Avenue, Burnaby

To book an appointment or find out additional information, please call 604.299.5778 or email on CampingBureau@bbyservices.ca



SOUTH HOUSE: 4460 Beresford St. Burnaby, BC V5H 0B8 P: 604-431-0400 info@burnabynh.ca
 NORTH HOUSE: 4908 Hastings St. Burnaby, BC V5B 1P6 P: 604-294-5444 northinfo@burnabynh.ca
 BRENTWOOD: 2055 Rosser Ave. Burnaby, BC V5C 5Y1 P: 604-299-5778 info@bbyservices.ca

www.burnabynh.ca



SUMMER WELLNESS & COOKING CAMP

4 WEEKS TO CHOOSE FROM INCLUDING A TEEN LEADERSHIP WEEK



JULY & AUGUST 2026

St. Timothy's Church, 4550 Kitchner St.,
BURNABY, BC

MORNING YOGA SESSIONS, COOKING LESSONS, AFTERNOON CRAFTS AND FIELD TRIPS

July 20 to 24, July 27 to 31, August 10 to 14 Teen Week August 17 to 21, 2026

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When Our Children Hurt Inside: Nurturing Awareness & the Power of Relationships

Younger children can experience emotional pain that they don't yet have the words to describe. Sometimes this shows up as statements about not wanting to be here or behaviours that look like self-harm. This gentle, supportive session may help parents and caregivers understand why these moments happen, what they may mean, and how to respond with calm connection. Together we'll explore how small moments of being seen, heard, and supported can make a big difference in a child's safety and well-being.



ONLINE EVENT | MAY 7TH
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM



Meet the Speaker



Katie DeReus

Katie DeReus a
Registered Clinical Counsellor with
20 years of experience as a teacher
Elementary School Counsellor. As both
professional and a parent, Katie brings a
depth of insight to the challenges and
well-being of young children.

GET INVOLVED

For more information and to register for this
free event: <https://familysmart.ca/may-7th/>

