

Spring Break Day Program

Greater Victoria & Sooke BC
Please contact us if you have any questions

Program Details – Version 2.1 Apr 5 2024

The program: Officially runs 09:15 - 15:15 in various locations in the Greater Victoria Area. Any changes will be communicated via email.

The optional overnight includes extra activities like a campfire, outdoor cooking and more! Dinner, breakfast, and lunch is also provided for the overnight.

The Hike: **PLEASE READ** We typically do a day hike at Peden Lake on Fridays, we may change this day due to weather, although we typically hike rain or shine. This day hike will delay ALL end of day bus arrivals by 1.5 hours. On Fridays, The Fred Milne Park PM Pickup is located at Daniel's Market in Sooke (5529 Sooke Rd, Sooke, BC V9Z 0C7). The AM drop-off is still located at Fred Milne Park. All equipment on the packing list must be sent with your child on Fridays. A \$50 fee will be charged to any families that do not pack all required items as this is a major safety issue.

Please note that our hike takes place in a wilderness environment. As such, it is imperative to your child safety and wellbeing that you have packed your child with all the listed equipment. We will ensure any extra weight/equipment is left on the bus. Better to have more than less. Furthermore, the end of day Friday may be delayed longer than stated. If any delays are expected, you will be contacted via email by 16:25 on the Friday with the updated arrival times. Please contact us if you have any questions.

What to bring: Backpack, at least a 1L Water bottle, lunch, extra snacks, waterproof sunscreen, hand sanitizer, wide brimmed sun hat (summer only, regular hat other times), long sleeve sun shirt (summer only), rain jacket, rain pants (optional), fleece or wool sweater, t-shirt, shorts, long pants, running shoes, hiking boots (optional but highly recommended), water shoes and/or rainboots (recommended for creek and lake days), swimsuit, towel, black garbage bag (hike day only), a full change of clothes and gloves, toque & warm jacket. If snowy, please bring ski pants and snow boots. The program will run rain or shine so please avoid cotton as much as possible! Please do not pack any nuts, peanuts or electronics other than a watch or camera with your child. \$50 fees will be charged on a daily basis for families missing gear

Sun shirt: https://www.mec.ca/en/product/5054-596/Shadow-Long-Sleeve-Sun-Shirt Sun hat: https://www.outdoorresearch.com/ca/helios-sun-hat-243458?cat=62,14,4

Additional for optional overnight: Headlamp/flashlight, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, pillow, toothbrush, toothpaste, medications, warm sweater, sleeping clothes, bowl or plate, fork, spoon, cup and clothes for the next day. **Rental fees will be charged to families missing gear on the overnight.**

Pick-Up & Drop-Off Locations: Pick-up locations are at Hyacinth Park (on Marigold Rd. near Spectrum), Westshore Pkwy @ Constellation Ave. (near Goldstream in Langford) and Fred Milne Park (Hwy 14 & Sooke River Rd). Please allow a 15-minute grace period for traffic, etc. **Please note, due to the multiple stops the bus/van will not be waiting past the scheduled departure time.**

	AM	PM	Details
Hyacinth Park	08:15	16:15 (17:45 Fridays)	Marigold Rd @ Interurban Rd.
West Hills	08:35	15:50 (17:20 Fridays)	Westshore Pkwy @ Constellation Ave.
Fred Milne Park	09:05	15:25 (16:45 Fridays)	Hwy 14 & Sooke River Rd.



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