

## Middle School Activities 2021-22

CLUB/ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION AND ADVISOR
Art Club	Grades 6-8 To allow students to pursue art projects beyond what they do in their art classes. Contact: Ms. Leanne Wilkins, Mrs. Darlene DeMerchant
Book Lovers Club	Grades 6-8 Chat about favourite authors, share books, read or write together. Contact: Ms. Sarah Bailey
Geography Club	Grades 7-8 A chance for students to learn about the world around them. This club will prepare students to write the Great Canadian Geography Challenge in March. Contact:
Homework Club	Grades 6-8 A chance for students to work on homework under a teacher's supervision. Contact: Ms. Sarah Bailey, Mrs. Darlene DeMerchant, Ms. Amy Stark, Ms. Christina Perkins
Honour Band	Grades 7-8 This activity offers keen Grade 7 and 8 band students the opportunity to play challenging and exciting Concert Band repertoire. Contact: Mr. David Enns
Jazz Band	Grades 7-8 Jazz Band is an ensemble which focuses on learning to play various jazz styles. Contact: Mr. David Enns
Mandarin Club	Grades 6-8 For advanced Mandarin students to do their Mandarin homework, speak Mandarin, watch Chinese movies, listen to Chinese music and celebrate traditional holidays. Contact: Ms. Kai Zhang
Math Challengers	Grades 6-8 To prepare for mathematics contests and competitions by examining math problems that connect and extend learning in the classroom. Contact: Mr. Richard DeMerchant, Ms. Joan Gaines
Orchestra	Grades 6-8 This ensemble will offer enthusiastic strings students the opportunity to play more advanced and exciting string orchestra repertoire. Contact: Mr. Christopher Smith

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<p>Robotics Club</p>	<p>Grade 7-8  This year's Robotics program will be based on Lego Mindstorms EV3 for building and coding. Students will tackle missions from the First Lego League season challenge as well as the annual Skills BC event.  Contact: Mr. George Floyd, Ms. Maureen Hann</p>
<p>Salmon Club</p>	<p>Grade 6-8  Help us to raise 200 salmon eggs and release them into the wild! Come to learn about salmon and the ecosystem.  Contact:</p>
<p>Sports Teams</p>	<p>SMUS Middle School participates in the Lower Island Middle School Sports Association (LIMSSA) which includes Middle Schools from the Victoria, Saanich and Sooke school districts as well as Independent schools.  Students will be offered a variety of sports and activities throughout the year that follow LIMSSA'S three sporting seasons.  Fall competition: cross-country, touch rugby and basketball. Soccer and squash are offered through intramural development program at SMUS.  Winter competition: volleyball  Spring competition: badminton, track and field, rugby, sailing and field hockey  Sport skill development, physical literacy and respectful team play will be prioritized and emphasized at the Middle School.  For more information about available sports and practice times, please check out the Athletics notice boards outside Reception, and/or outside the PE office, or see the online calendar on the SMUS website.  Contact: Mrs. Jackie Cunningham</p>
<p>Student Council</p>	<p>To provide leadership opportunities for Middle School students through the planning of activities in one of five councils: Service, Social, Sustainability, Athletics and Arts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Service Council will organize and coordinate all service activities such as Service Days, school tours, Orange Shirt Day, Portrait of a Learner promotions, and more. Contact: Mrs. Shannon Williams, Ms. Susan Konyu</li> <li>○ Social Council will organize and coordinate all social activities such as seasonal celebrations, spirit events and Portrait of a Learner assembly promotions. Contact: Mrs. Tanya Lee, Ms. Katie Marti</li> <li>○ Sustainability Council will work to educate our community on current environmental issues. Contact: Mme. Valerie Pike, Mrs. Susan Vachon</li> <li>○ Athletic Council will organize and coordinate all athletic activities such as intramurals, house games,</li> </ul>

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	<p>and staff vs. student tournaments. Contact: Ms. Amy Stark, Ms. Jackie Cunningham</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Arts Council will support and encourage art endeavours throughout the school. Contact: Ms. Leanne Wilkins, Mrs. Darlene DeMerchant</li> </ul>
WEB (Where Everybody Belongs)	<p>WEB leaders will plan activities for the Grade 6s and new Grade 7/8s.</p> <p>Contact: Mrs. Cara Lee, Ms. Amy Stark</p>
Weekly Wellness	<p>This is a time to relax and connect with your classmates and share ideas for staying healthy and happy. The Middle School counsellor will guide these brief chats during recess in the chapel.</p> <p>Contact: Middle School Counsellor</p>