

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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# City offers free family fun in the sun with the Summer Playground Program

## **Summary**

The City of Nanaimo Parks, Recreation and Environment department invites children between the ages of 5 to 12 years old and their parents to participate in the Summer Playground Program from July 6 to August 28. This free program running Monday to Friday is fun for the whole family and includes music, crafts, games and Science in the Park with Nanaimo Science and Sustainability Society.

The program runs July 6 to August 28 at Harewood Mining Community Water Park Mondays through Fridays from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm; July 6 to August 25 at Carmanah Park and Fairview Community School on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm; July 6 to August 28 at Mansfield Park on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm; and July 9 to August 28 at Rockridge Park and Country Hills Park on Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Strategic Link: The Summer Playground Program supports the Community Building Partnerships priority.

## **Key Points**

- The Summer Playground Program runs from July 6 until August 28 in Harewood Mining Community Water Park, Mansfield Park, Carmanah Park, Fairview Community School, Rockridge Park and Country Hills Park.
- The Summer Playground Program is in partnership with Harewood Neighbourhood Association, Nanaimo Foodshare and Nanaimo Science and Sustainability Society (NS3).

#### Quotes

"We have had a lot of success with the Summer Playground Program and are excited to bring back for another year. It's a great opportunity for the whole family to get out to one of Nanaimo's parks and enjoy some free summer fun."

Deborah Beck Recreation Coordinator City of Nanaimo

### **Quick Facts**

• Other free, fun things to do this summer include the Search for the Golden Bucket Contest, Summer Concerts in the Park Series and waterparks located in four parks throughout Nanaimo are open.

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