

NEWS RELEASE

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Participate in Playground and Park Fun in Nanaimo

Summer 2018 Free Family Events

Summary

City of Nanaimo Parks and Recreation invites families to "take a moment" this summer and participate in the free programs being offered.

The Summer Playground Program will run from July 4 - August 29 and is designed for children between the ages of 5 - 12 years old to participate with their parents. This program, consisting of music, crafts, games and sports, will run Monday through Friday in six of Nanaimo's parks and is fun for the whole family. Leaders are on site at each park on specific week days between 10 am and 3:30 pm.

There are two more Family Fun Nights planned. These evenings are designed for families who are looking to enjoy games, music, bouncy castle fun, food, face painting, crafts and much more.

The Concerts in the Park series kicks off this week with lunchtime and evening performances in Maffeo Sutton Park and at the Bowen Park Amphitheatre. There are 17 different entertainers to watch offering a variety of music styles to choose from.

For more information, check the events section at www.nanaimo.ca.

Strategic Link: Free Summer programming supports cultural vitality, an active lifestyle and social equality.

Key Points

- The Summer Playground program runs from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm Monday - Friday at various parks in July & August. Please see the Playground Program schedule for more information.
- Family Fun Nights will take place on Thursday evenings from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Join us at Mansfield Park on July 26 and Harewood Centennial Park on August 30.
- The summer Concerts in The Park lunchtime series is from 12:30-1:30 pm and the evenings series is from 6-7:30 pm through July and August. Please see the schedule for a list of entertainers and locations.

Quotes

"These free, family friendly programs make it easy for families to play outside together this summer in Nanaimo's fantastic parks."

Deborah Beck
Recreation Coordinator
City of Nanaimo

Quick Facts

- Other free, fun things to do this summer include the weekly searches for the Golden Bucket, Snowbirds show, Coast Capital Savings Random acts of recreation kindness swimming and skating, water parks and Westwood Lake swimming with lifeguards on duty.

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