



# Cape Horn News

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January, 2012

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Happy New Year and  
Welcome Back!

We trust that you all had a safe and enjoyable holiday season. All our best to you for a happy and successful year ahead. As always, we welcome your input and support as the New Year begins. We are always looking for ways to best support your children as they make their way through school. With that in mind, I would like to remind you of the first PAC meeting of the new year which is slated for Wednesday, January 18th at 7:00 pm. New parents who have not yet found time to attend a meeting are most welcome. The only way the PAC can run successfully is with the support of many, so please

come and find out how you can get more involved in the school by participating in the PAC.

We have a busy couple of months ahead of us with Student Gov't Clothing Drive, gymnastics, cultural events, Hoops for Heart and public speaking. Please check the attached calendar for specific events. In addition, this is a key academic term for students. Teachers have moved beyond review and are well into the "meat" of the curriculum. You can assist in your child's success by ensuring that they have a space to study and that you check and sign their planners daily. Your child's planner is also a valuable tool for communicating with your child's teachers on a consistent basis. Working together, we provide the best chances for your children.

Bill McGovern  
Principal



Learning the Voyage  
of Discovery

### Our Mission Statement:

To provide a safe, caring and challenging environment so that students will be prepared for their lifelong "Voyage of Discovery"



### Pro-D

(School Based)

Friday, January 27th



STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL

### 2012-2013

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

February 7th, 8th & 9th

(see page 2 for details regarding  
documentation requirements)

### NEXT PAC MEETING

January 18th @ 7:00 pm in  
the school library



### NEXT PAC ICE CREAM DAY

Friday, January 20th



### NEXT PAC HOT LUNCH DAY

Thursday, January 26th



### CALENDAR



#### JANUARY

- 11 Kindergarten Dental Screening
- 16 Ready, Set, Learn - Mundy Rd. Elementary 1:00 to 3:30 (see page 2)
- 18 PAC Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - school library
- 20 PAC Ice Cream Day
- 26 PAC Hot Lunch Day
- 27 Pro D (School Based) - no school for students

#### FEBRUARY

- 7-9 2012/2013 Kindergarten Registration
- 7 Afterschool Cooking starts - 3:00 to 4:30
- 8 Axe Capoeira Performance - 1:00 p.m.
- 9 Afterschool Sports/Drama starts-3:00 to 4:30
- 10 PAC Treat Day
- 14 Valentine's Day-Wear Red/Pink/White to school
- 17 Pro D (District) - No school for students
- 22 PAC Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - school library
- 24 PAC Ice Cream Day
- 27 Hoops for Heart kick off-assembly at 11:30 am
- 28 South Zone Public Speaking Finals
- 29 Pink Shirt Day - Say no to Bullying!

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The 2012-2013 Kindergarten registration dates are February 7th, 8th & 9th. Parents with children who are five years of age by December 31, 2012 may enter school in September 2012.



To register, please bring along the following documentation:

- Proof of citizenship for parent & child (one of): birth certificate; passport; PR Card; Canadian Citizenship Card.
- Proof of BC residency for parent (one of): rental contract; property purchase contract; income tax statement; property tax statement; and (two of): utility bill; BC care card; BC driver's licence; BC vehicle registration; Canadian Social Insurance #; Canadian bank of credit card statement; BC I.D.

For Non-Residents of B.C., please contact the International Education Department at 604-936-5769.

If you are considering EARLY FRENCH IMMERSION (kindergarten entry) in September, 2012 you are invited to attend an information meeting to learn about the program. Meetings will take place on: Jan. 9th at Glenayre Elem (7:00 pm); Jan. 11th at Porter Elem. (7:00 pm);

Jan. 16th at Kilmer Elem. (7:00 pm) and Jan. 18th at Nestor Elem. (7:00 pm). **Please be advised that registration for Early French Immersion will be done online from January 19 – 25, 2012.** For more info on French Programs, please call Ms. Sophie Bergeron at 604-937-6392.

If parents want their children to be registered at another school, but reside in the Cape Horn Elementary catchment, they must first register at their catchment school and then complete a cross-catchment transfer form at that time. The electronic version of the application form can be accessed through the District website ([www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca)) beginning February 10th for the Kindergarten students.

We will also need phone numbers for:

- Home, work, cell, Doctor's office, babysitting/daycare
- 2 alternates in case of emergency (every effort is made to contact parents/ guardians first)



Realizing that some of the information about daycare or babysitting arrangements may not be settled yet, please let us know in September of any additions or changes in arrangements or telephone numbers. If neighbours ask you when they should let us know that they will be coming to our school in the fall, please let them know they should do it right away. Our staffing is based on the number of students we project for September, and we can do a better job of this if people register right away. Please help spread the word – every child counts.

## LATE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM (GRADE 6 ENTRY)

The Late French Immersion program is offered at Banting and Pitt River Middle Schools and is open to any student in Grade 5 who is a resident of School District No. 43.

If you are considering LATE FRENCH IMMERSION in September, 2012 you are invited to attend an information meeting to learn about the program. Meetings will take place at:

**BANTING MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
820 Banting Drive, Coquitlam  
February 21st, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

**PITT RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
2070 Tyner Street, Port Coquitlam  
February 22nd, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Registration forms will be available in each elementary school following the meeting. For further information on this program, visit our District Website, [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca), or contact Ms. Sophie Bergeron at 604-937-6392.

## READY, SET, LEARN

Mundy Road Elementary will be hosting READY, SET, LEARN for all three year olds on January 16th, 2012 from 1:00 to 3:30 pm.



This informative session is designed to support you in helping your pre-schooler get ready for success in school and become a lifelong learner. As your child's first and most important teacher, you play an essential role in your child's education. Starting Kindergarten is an important passage in life. Parents with children entering Kindergarten for the 2013 school year are asked to contact the school office.

## LATE MONTESSORI REGISTRATION AT MONTGOMERY & SCOTT CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOLS (GRADE 6 ENTRY)

**AN INVITATION TO PARENTS:** If you are considering the Montessori program at middle school in September 2012, you are invited to attend an information meeting to learn about the program. An information meeting regarding the middle school program will take place at:

**SCOTT CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
1240 Lansdowne Dr., Coquitlam  
Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 7:00 pm

For further information visit our website: [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca) or contact Rob McFaul, Principal, Montgomery Middle School at 604-939-7367 or e-mail: [montgomery@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:montgomery@sd43.bc.ca) or Judy Robb, Principal, Scott Creek Middle School at 604-945-0156 or email: [scottcreek@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:scottcreek@sd43.bc.ca)

## FRUIT AND VEGGIE SNACK PROGRAM

Please note that the following fruits and vegetables are scheduled for the upcoming weeks:



*Week of January 22nd - D'Anjou Pears*

*Week of February 5th - Sliced Apples*

*Week of February 19th—Mini Cucumbers*



If you wish, for any reason, that your child not participate in the snack program on any of the above weeks, please notify the school office at 604-526-4428.

## WEATHER DAYS



In the event of heavy snow, ice or extreme temperatures, a decision on school closures will take place as soon as possible after 6:00 a.m. that day.

- Check the district website at [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca) after 6:00 a.m.
- Be sure to hit Refresh when checking back
- The district website posting is official
- Tune in to CKWX 1130 AM, KKNW 980 AM or CBC 690 AM for updates.



If parents believe the local conditions are unsafe, they should keep their child(ren) at home. Please do not call the school to request information about closure, as staff are attempting to make it to work under adverse conditions and may be trying to call in their location. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

## CANADIAN TIRE MONEY



We have a collection box set up in the office for your Canadian Tire money. Our school would like to use the money to purchase a park bench for our courtyard.



## APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR THE WEATHER

Just a reminder to send your students to school dressed appropriately for the weather. Students will be going outside at recess and lunch, unless there is a downpour. If you drive your child to school, please ensure they have warm clothing on, as they will probably be going outside for recess and lunch. Inappropriate clothing is shorts, sweat-shirts that will absorb moisture and running shoes in the snow. We know the

older students do not like to wear coats, boots, carry umbrellas or change footwear, but they are at times our worst offenders.

Please help us keep them dry by ensuring they have a full gym strip handy to change into.



## PLACE MAILLARDVILLE AFTERSCHOOL WINTER PROGRAMS

Spaces are still available for Sports & Drama Fun! To register for any of the programs below, please call Place Maillardville Community Centre at 604-933-6166.

### Sports & Drama Fun! - Grades 1 - 3

Join us for a variety of games & sports & improv!

Gym: 3:00- 4:30 pm

Thursdays: Feb. 9 - Mar. 29 - \$6.00 for 6 weeks - (no class for Spring Break) (Spaces Available)



### Session #1

### Cooking at the Capel! - Grades 4 & 5

Learn basic cooking skills while having fun!

Kitchen: 3:00 - 4:30pm

Tuesdays: Feb. 7 - Feb. 21 - \$8.00 for 3 weeks (Program Full)

### Session #2

### Cooking at the Capel! - Grades 4 & 5

Kitchen: 3:00 - 4:30pm

Tuesdays: Feb. 28 - Mar.27 - \$8.00 for 3 weeks - (no class for Spring Break) (Program Full)

### FREE Co-ed Indoor Floor Hockey - Grades 4 to 7

Join Place Maillardville staff for co-ed indoor floor hockey at the Maillard Middle gym. This program is made possible thanks to Maillard Middle School and the City of Coquitlam Active Grant.

Fridays - Jan. 20 to March 30 - (7:15 to 8:30 pm)

NO PROGRAM: Jan. 27, Feb. 17, Mar. 16, Mar. 23

### Soccer Tots - 3-5 yrs (New)

Indoor soccer at Place Maillardville. One hour of free play, soccer drills, fun games, and a scrimmage.

Mondays - Jan. 9 to March 5 - (12:45 - 1:45 pm)

\$10.00 for 9 weeks

### PM Play Time, 6-10 yrs, Session 1 (New)

Nowhere to play after school hours? Come to Place Maillardville Community Centre for two hours of constructive play time, organized games, crafts etc.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday - Jan. 16 to Feb.6, 2012 - (3:30-5:30 pm)

NO PROGRAM: Friday, February 3.

\$55.00 for 11 sessions

## RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS WEEK



From February 13th to 19th, Cape Horn will be joining a global movement to celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Week. Celebrate and focus on acts of caring with your children, share stories of kindness you have given and received. Perhaps you'll come up with a unique family project for the week. We hope that Random Acts of Kindness Week will spill over into the other 51 weeks of the year!

### IN CASE YOU'RE WONDERING ABOUT GRADE 4 FOUNDATIONS SKILLS ASSESSMENTS ...

Who? What? When? Where? Grade 4 student provincial reading comprehension, writing, and numeracy assessment will take place this month in our grade 4 classroom. Comprehension and Numeracy components consist of multiple choice and open ended questions. The writing component consists of first drafts of two writing assignments.



Why? FSA provides a "snapshot" of how well BC students are attaining foundation skills. It helps answer important questions such as:

- Are students learning vital skills they will need later?
- Are there any trends in student performance at the school, district and provincial levels?

Then What? Results will be returned to districts and schools for planning purposes next fall. Each student's individual results will be sent to schools. They will be shared with students and parents, along with other information about the student's performance.

The School Planning Council (SPC) reviews results as part of the work on our school goal planning.

If you want more information, visit the Ministry's Assessment website: [www.bced.gov.bc.ca/assessment](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/assessment) or contact Mr. McGovern.

### CARDS AND LETTERS FOR SCHOOL IN JAPAN



Before Halloween, students from our school sent greeting cards of hope, wrist bands and pencils to the students of Japan who were affected by the earthquake and tsunami via one of our ex-parents, see photo below,

(Ms Sue Ishii left and principal of Ohtsuchi Elementary School). Ms Ishii reported that "the teachers and students were really impressed with the kindness and love from Cape Horn and send their heartfelt thanks to all their new friends at Cape Horn."



### STUDENT GOVERNMENT CLOTHING DRIVE

Once again, the Student Government is sponsoring this fundraiser to support student activities. If you have any items (see list below) that you would like to donate, please place them in large garbage bags and bring to the school no later than Thursday, January 26th. Big Brothers will be by the following week to pick up our donations. We will receive \$2.50 per bag or box based on FULL garbage bags that weigh no less than 15.5 lbs. Please invite your family and friends to participate! The more the merrier!

#### Cloth Items

- Clothing for men, women and children
- Accessories (belts, hats, scarves, mitts)
- Purses and wallets
- Shoes and boots
- Towels and tablecloths
- Under garments, nylons and socks
- Blankets, bedding and pillows
- Backpacks and bags
- Curtains and linens



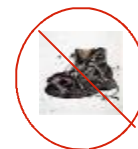
#### Miscellaneous Items

- Housewares (dishes, cutlery, cookware)
- Toys, books, games and video games
- Videos, records, CD's and DVD's
- Tools (garden and otherwise)
- Portable exercise equipment
- Electronics
- Small electrical appliances
- Decor Items (lamps, frames, candleholders)



#### Basic Rules

- Items cannot be soiled or torn
- Items cannot be unsafe
- Items must be suitable for resale
- Items must be in working order



### CHILDREN GOING HOME DURING SCHOOL HOURS

No student will be permitted to go home during school hours unless contact has been made with a teacher, Mr. McGovern or Mrs. Claybo. When picking up your child for an appointment/illness they must be signed out at the office by a parent or alternate. Also, please remember when your child will be absent or late, a quick call between 8:00 - 9:00 am is appreciated, so that we won't be concerned about your child's safety. It is our school policy that we phone to check on any unexplained absences, but this does take valuable time every morning. Please remind your child when coming to school late to pick up a late slip at the office. Thanks for your continued cooperation!



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Check out the website for news  
and announcements!  
[http://public.sd43.bc.ca/  
elementary/capehorn](http://public.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/capehorn)

### Welcome!

Cape Horn welcomes two new staff members: Ms. Christina Moscone, who is replacing Mrs. Olcen (Grade 1 teacher) while she is on a leave of absence until September and Ms. Jacquie Dobson, Special Education Assistant. Welcome to Cape Horn!

### Penny Drive Update



We want to thank everyone who helped us reach our goal of \$500 for "Pennies for Presents". We are happy to say we went over our goal and raised \$826.86, the money for Share went to buy presents for pre-teens and teens. Thank you also to the Rights Respecting Steering Committee, whose picture appears in the December 16th NOW newspaper, for organizing this fundraiser.

By Mackenna

### Ministry of Education Satisfaction Surveys for Grade 4's

All Grade 4 students will be completing the Ministry of Education Satisfaction Surveys online at school this month. Grade 4 parents have been asked to complete their surveys online as well this year. A letter with instructions for parents will be sent home. If you do not receive this letter, please contact the office.

## PAC News

### PAC MEETING

We would like to invite you to our next meeting on Wednesday, January 18th at 7:00 pm in the library. We really want to encourage all parents to join us. This is the perfect opportunity to visit and to see exactly what things the PAC is doing for our school. Your input is valuable, so we hope to see you there! The February meeting is on the 22nd.

### FUNDRAISING NEWS:

#### Treasure Trays:

The Treasure Tray fundraiser was a smashing success again this year! With the contributions from each division, and all our generous sponsors, the baskets were overflowing with great prizes. A giant THANK YOU to Mrs. Papa for her hard work

running this fundraiser, purchasing items, organizing sponsors, wrapping baskets and selling tickets and to Mrs. Adam for her help wrapping baskets and selling tickets before school. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets! We'll have the total raised in the next newsletter. Congratulations to all the basket winners!



We are very grateful to our sponsors who contributed items for the baskets. Please keep them in mind when you are shopping!

Whitecaps Foundation  
Soccer Express  
London Drugs  
Canadian Tire King Edward  
Toy Jungle  
Van Houtte Coffee  
Scholastic Book Clubs  
Coquitlam Express Minor Hockey  
GianCarlo Deli  
Creative Children Supply  
Me-n-Ed's Pizza  
Best Buy  
Great West Graphics  
Dollar Store Plus More  
Movie Night Sponsors  
Thrifty Foods Austin Station  
Best Buy  
Silver City Cineplex Odeon

**THANK YOU!!**

# COMMUNITY NEWS

**Place des Arts**  
we inspire the artist in everyone!



**Outer Space!  
Day of the Arts**  
February 17, 2012  
Kindergarten to Grades 5

Register online: [www.placedesarts.ca](http://www.placedesarts.ca)  
By phone: 604.664.1636  
In person: 1120 Brunette Avenue  
Registration opens January 9, 2012



September 2012 Registration  
**OPEN HOUSE**  
Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012  
155 Finnigan Street, Coquitlam  
(on the grounds of Cape Horn Elementary)  
604-521-5158  
[www.littleneighbours.com](http://www.littleneighbours.com)  
Ongoing Registration



## Centennial Secondary is Building for the Future

Centennial Secondary School will be rebuilt and you are invited to an information session to see the new school design.

Construction is projected to begin in Fall 2012. We would like your feedback on the new school design, for you to see how the Neighbourhood Learning Centre space has been incorporated into the new building, and answer your questions.

School district personnel and staff from the architectural firm will be in attendance. An opportunity will be provided for written feedback on the project

Tues., Jan. 17, 2012

6:00 - 7:30 pm

Exhibit Style - no formal presentation

Centennial Secondary School

Multi-Purpose Area

570 Poirier St.

Coquitlam BC

Main Entrance off Poirier

For more information contact  
Carey Chute 604-939-9201  
[cchute@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:cchute@sd43.bc.ca)

# Kindergarten Registration for 2012

## When Can My Child Start Kindergarten?

Children who are five years old before December 31, 2012 may enter school in September 2012. You may defer your child's enrolment until September 2013.

## When Should I Register My Child?

Kindergarten registration (except for Montessori, Bilingual Mandarin, Reggio Emilia and French Immersion) within School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) will be held on February 7, 8, 9 in all elementary schools.

**Beginning this year, registration for Early French Immersion will be done online from January 19-25, 2012. See our website for more details.**

## Should I Bring Anything for Registration?

Please bring the following documents:

**Proof of citizenship for parent & child** (one of): birth certificate; passport; PR Card; Canadian Citizenship Card.

**Proof of BC residency for parent** (one of): rental contract; property purchase contract; income tax statement; property tax statement; and 2 of the following documents: utility bill; BC care card; BC driver's licence; BC vehicle registration; Canadian Social Insurance #; Canadian bank or credit card statement; BC ID.

Information regarding Kindergarten and parent meetings should be available at every school at the time of registration.

Can I use my childcare facility address to determine my child's school attendance area?

According to the School Act, enrolment can only be based on the home address.

All students must be registered for Kindergarten at their catchment area school on February 7, 8 or 9. If parents wish their child to attend an out of catchment school they will be provided the opportunity to apply for a cross catchment transfer, beginning on February 10, 2012 with the deadline of February 22, 2012 (visit our website for more information). If enrolment projections show that space is available, cross-catchment transfer applications will be accepted in accordance with the following priorities: (i) catchment area child; (ii) non-catchment area child; and (iii) non-school district child.

**Please note that siblings of students in attendance at a school are considered as a catchment area child at that school.**

## NON-RESIDENTS

Please contact the International Education Department @ 604-936-5769 or visit at 1100 Winslow Ave., Coquitlam. Bring along proof of citizenship for parent and student, proof of residency and proof of guardianship (if applicable).



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**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43 (COQUITLAM)**  
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