



Seaview Community School

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"At Seaview Community School We CARE"

(Care About and Respect Everyone)

Our mission is to provide safe academic, social and physical learning to all students with the support of the community

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SCHOOL NEWS

Message from the Principal

As we enter the month of November I want to take an opportunity to communicate the many Seaview Community School happenings and provide an update on the weeks to come. We have enjoyed the past two months working with students and parents to create the foundation for an excellent school year.

Students have settled in well and are comfortably immersed in their classrooms and friendships. Seaview teachers are dedicated to their classrooms and to their collaborations with one another on a daily basis. From the use of technology to nature inspired learning, from zoology to Van Gogh, from writers' workshops to 'learning to learn' Math, from Reading Power to planting gardens and finding places of wonder, Seaview is a vibrant and rich learning community. The quality contributions and experiences provided by teachers at Seaview are too plentiful to list and, from an administrative perspective, it is tremendously valuable to know that we're poised to continue growing as a learning community and children are receiving such quality opportunities in our classrooms. Teachers encourage you to make contact with them at any time to discuss your child's program, progress and engagement in the classroom. We value our partnership with parents and believe your role is central to children's success at school.

I would like to extend special thanks to parent volunteers who have worked and continue to work hard to provide our hot lunch/snack days, update emergency bags, plan a Halloween dance and hold our most successful Scholastic Book Fair ever. Our community values and appreciates your support very much.

Starting next week, all classes at Seaview will participate in TREE (Temperate Rainforest Education Program) facilitated by Sierra Club BC. We are delighted to welcome Sierra Club to our school as leaders in the area of environmental education who can be a part of advancing our work in the area of nature inspired learning. This promises to be engaging and fun for students at Seaview who are always enthusiastic about new learning experiences.

Finally, I'd like to give advance notice about some changes to our traditional Christmas concert. This year, our event will take place on **Wednesday, December 7th** during the school day. We invite our community to join us for a Christmas potluck at 11:30am followed by a choral concert beginning at 1pm and finishing at 2pm. Those of you familiar with our WAAC celebration typically held for Thanksgiving in October will know about our potluck format. Please mark your calendars and stay tuned for further information regarding the planning of this event which we believe will be a lovely way to celebrate the season together as a community.

Sincerely,

Ms. Susan Ross, Principal

Dear Seaview Families:

It's not too late! Please join me on **Thursday November 3rd** for a fun filled math evening. As some of you may know, I am in the process of completing a Masters of Educational Practice through Simon Fraser University. As a part of this program, I am working on an inquiry project to look at how I can better facilitate and communicate with parents about their child's math learning. I strongly believe that teachers and parents should actively work together to ensure student success. With the recent changes to the math curriculum and how we teach math, I think there is a real need for open dialogue between parents, students, and teachers around mathematics education. An important part of my inquiry is 2 parent evening workshops and 1 family math night.

The next parent evening workshop is **Thursday November 3rd 6:45-8:15**. The date for the family math night is **Thursday, November 24th 6:30-8:00**. While these evening events are open to all families at Seaview a commitment to attend at least 2 of the 3 evenings is required. If you did not attend the first evening, you are welcome to join us on the 3rd. Please email me at krussell@sd43.bc.ca if you have any questions or concerns, at any point in the inquiry, or feel free to drop by the classroom and we can talk further about my project.

Mrs. Kate Russell

K-3 Author Visit

Children's book author **Robert Heidbreder** will be visiting Seaview the morning of **Wednesday, November 23, 2011**. He will read from his selection of children's books for all K-3 classes in the library. A school order will be placed with Kidsbooks for Seaview families wanting to purchase from Mr. Heidbreder's selection of primary books. The books can be autographed by Mr. Heidbreder upon request. More details will follow closer to his visit.



Urgent Reminder: Parent E Forms – must be completed. If you have not done so, please complete the E Forms available on the website.

The forms that must be completed are: **School Policies and Emergency Release**. Please also complete the Medical Alert, if applicable.

These forms are located on the 1st page of the website (Parent EForm button) or you may use this link:

www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/seaview/parents/forms

If you do **not** have access to a computer, please contact Mrs. Carmichael.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Community Notices

Please check the website, Publications section for other community notices that are posted and parent notice board, located beside Lost & Found.

Glenayre- Port Moody Annual Kids Stuff Swap Meet

Sunday, November 6th, 10am – 1pm

Glenayre Elementary School – 495 Glencoe Dr., Port Moody

Free Admission for Buyers

(Table Rentals are \$25 – For more information, please contact Jennifer Manning at jmanning70@hotmail.com)

Celebrating the Return of the Salmon

November 13, 2011, 11:00am – 3:00pm

Hyde Creek Recreation Centre and Hyde Creek Educational Centre & Hatchery.

This is a free family event which includes arts & crafts, entertainment and bbq

Upcoming Events at Place des Arts

1120 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam | 604.664.1636 | www.placedesarts.ca

Workshops for Kids at Place des Arts

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place des Arts has some great workshops for children and youth coming up in November and December. Register by phone at 604.664.1636, online at www.placedesarts.ca or at the Place des Arts reception/registration desk.

Family Day at PdA! www.placedesarts.ca

Sunday, November 20, 1:30-3:30PM

Gather up the family and tour Place des Arts annual *Positively Petite* miniature exhibition. Then participate in a variety of all-ages, drop-in style workshops that celebrate *small* and create your very own lantern in preparation for *Light up the Square a Lantern Affair* on December 3. Don't be intimidated by art, get engaged in it! Admission by donation. Reserve your spot by calling 604.664.1636 before Tuesday, November 15.

Family Time: Felting Fun Workshop (2+ years) www.placedesarts.ca

Explore the art of wet felting with your child, and acquire the necessary skills to create finished pieces such as beads, vessels and flat felted pieces. Once you learn the basics of this ancient craft, the possibilities are endless—create embellishments, small wearable pieces and gifts.

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CALENDAR – NOVEMBER/11

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
31 st	1 Pajama Day	2	3 Math Night 6:45 – 8:15pm	4
7	8	9	10 Remembrance Day Assembly 11:00am	11 REMEMBRANCE DAY
14 CLOSURE DAY DISTRICT (NO SCHOOL)	15	16 PAC HOT LUNCH	17	18
21	22	23 Author Visit (AM) K-3 classes	24 Family Math Night 6:30-8:00pm	25
28	29	30 PAC HOT LUNCH		