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## PITT RIVER COMMUNITY SCHOOL

July 2011

Dear Parents/Guardians:

### Start Up for the 2011-2012 School Year at Pitt River!

I hope everyone is enjoying summer and not thinking too much about school (except if the thoughts are of anticipation and excitement ☺).

I thought I would share a bit of information regarding the routines for the first week:

**BBQ:** For the incoming Grade 6s and other students new to Pitt River, you are invited to come to the school on Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> (10:30 am-12:00 pm) for a BBQ. This is one last chance for the kids and their families to walk around the school and familiarize themselves with their new surroundings. It is an unstructured event, just come and tour around the school at your leisure and have a hot dog when you are done....

**First Day (Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>):** Students are in attendance from 9:00-9:30 AM.

- Grade 6s report to the **main gym** for attendance.
- Grade 7s report to the **cafeteria** for attendance.
- Grade 8s report to the **mini-gym** for attendance.

*\* 'Rendezvous' Lists will be posted around the school. Students should check these lists so they know which classroom to report to the following morning.*

*\*Students don't need to bring their school supplies until Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, as lockers aren't assigned until later in the week. If you did not receive the school supply list please check <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/middle/pittriver/Pages/default.aspx>*

**Wednesday-Thursday (September 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>):** Students spend these 2 full days with their *Rendezvous* classes. During this time they get to know each other and participate in a variety of activities related to our CARES approach to learning. CARES is an acronym used to easily identify the five behaviour aspects associated with a successful learning community:

Connections Acceptance Respect Empathy Safety

Friday September 9<sup>th</sup>:

Pancake Breakfast: Students are invited to come to school between 7:30 - 8:30 AM and enjoy a pancake breakfast.

Core classes are assigned in RV and students report to their core teachers at 9:05 AM.

See you in September!



T. Clerkson  
Principal