

# Cape Horn News

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January, 2016

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Welcome Back...and Happy 2016 to all! During the past four months at Cape Horn a solid foundation of student learning and achievement has been established. Staff, students and families are continually working together to further develop and broaden each child's learning. With such a strong foundation there is no doubt that 2016 will bring many exciting learning opportunities to all those in the Cape Horn community.

Some things to look forward to in 2015: Clothing Drive ongoing until the end of January, PAC Movie Night, Bottle Drive, Kindergarten Registration, Random Acts of Caring, Poker Night, field trips, running club, monthly PAC meetings, and of course lots of learning for all!

I look forward to experiencing many of these events with staff, students and families of Cape Horn!

Thank you for your continued support of student learning at our school.

Your Proud Principal,  
*Bill McGovern*



**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"



CALENDAR	
JANUARY	
6	Banting Middle Late French Immersion Info visit - Grade 5's
13	PAC Meeting @ 8:00 pm - Library
15	PAC Treat Day
21	PAC Hot Lunch Day
22	PAC Movie Night - Minions
23	Bottle Drive
26	Registration for Place Maillardville Afterschool Programs - 2:45 front foyer (more info on pg 3)
29	Pro-D - No school for students
FEBRUARY	
8	B.C. Family Day - schools closed
9	Non-Instructional Day - No school for students
10	PAC Meeting @ 8:00 pm - Library
12	Wear Red/White/Pink for Valentine's Day
18	PAC Hot Day
19	Pro-D - No School For Students
26	PAC Poker Night
MARCH	
9	PAC Meeting @ 8:00 pm - Library
10	Hot Dog Day
14-25	Spring Break/Good Friday
28	Easter Monday
29	Back to School



**Pro-D**  
(School Based)  
**Friday, January 29th**

**STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL**

**2016-2017  
KINDERGARTEN  
REGISTRATION**

**February 2nd, 3rd, 4th**  
(see pages 2 for details regarding documentation requirements)

**NEXT PAC MEETING**  
January 13th @ 8:00 pm  
the school library

Please join us!

This is an important document. Please arrange to have it translated

此為重要文件,請翻譯成中文。  
이것은 매우 중요한 서류입니다, 정확한 번역을 부탁드립니다.  
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ESTE ES UN DOCUMENTO MUY IMPORTANTE.POR FAVOR, TRATE DE QUE SE LO TRANSLADEN AL ESPAÑOL LO MAS PRONTO POSIBLE.

To jest ważny dokument. Prosimy o przetłumaczenie go.

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The 2016-2017 Kindergarten registration dates are **February 2nd, 3rd, and 4th**. Parents with children who are five years of age by December 31, 2016 may enter school in September 2016.



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 driver's licence; BC vehicle registration; Canadian bank or credit card statement; BC ID.
- Proof of Guardianship: Paper birth certificate (where parents are named); income tax statement (eg: child tax credit). If parents live separately, court order or written agreement.

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, 2016 please visit the District website at [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca) for dates, times and locations of parent information meetings. **Please be advised that registration for Early French Immersion will be done online from January 14-20, 2016** 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 Cape Horn and then complete a cross-catchment transfer form beginning February 5th @ 9:00 a.m. and ending on February 17th @ 4:30 p.m. **PLEASE NOTE THAT SIBLINGS OF STUDENTS IN ATTENDANCE AT CAPE HORN ARE CONSIDERED AS A CATCHMENT AREA CHILD AT THIS SCHOOL AND THEREFORE DO NOT NEED TO FILL OUT A CROSS CATCHMENT FORM.** The electronic version of the application form can be accessed through the District website ([www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca)). Paper forms will also be available at all schools as of February 5th at 9:00 a.m. All completed forms must be returned in person or by mail to the School District Office at 550 Poinier Street, Coquitlam, V3J 6A7 by the closing date. **Faxed or emailed copies will not be accepted.**

We will also need phone numbers for:

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

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

The Late French Immersion program is offered at Banting, Pitt River Middle, and Moody 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, 2016 you are invited to attend an information meeting to learn about the program. Meetings will take place at:

**PITT RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
2070 Tyner Street, Port Coquitlam  
**Monday, January 11th at 7:00 p.m.**

**MOODY MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
3115 St. Johns Street, Port Moody  
**TUESDAY, January 12th at 7:00 p.m.**

**BANTING MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
820 Banting Drive, Coquitlam  
**Wednesday, January 13th at 7:00 p.m.**

Registration for Late French Immersion will be done online from January 15-21, 2016. Application forms will be available online from January 15th at 9:00 am to January 21st at 4:00 pm.

## IN CASE YOU'RE WONDERING ABOUT GRADE 4 FSA'S ...

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.

## LATE MONTESSORI REGISTRATION AT MONTGOMERY

If you are considering Montessori program at middle school for September, 2016, you are invited to an information meeting at Montgomery Middle, 1900 Edgewood Avenue, on Tuesday, January 19th at 7:00 pm. Please contact Mr. Rob McFaul at 604-939-7367 or [Montgomery@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:Montgomery@sd43.bc.ca) or Mr. Rob Foot at 604-945-0156 or [ScottCreek@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:ScottCreek@sd43.bc.ca) for further information.

## FRUIT AND VEGGIE SNACK PROGRAM

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



*Week of January 18th - kiwi fruit*

*Week of February 1st - ambrosia apples*

*Week of February 22nd - celery sticks*

*Week of March 7th - snap peas*



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 6:30 a.m. that day.

- Check the district website at [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca) after 6:30 a.m.
- Be sure to hit Refresh when checking back
- The district website posting is official
- Tune in to CKWX 1130 AM, CKNW 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.

## PLAYING OUTSIDE

We believe it is important for children to run and play during recess and noon breaks. Providing children with outdoor play opportunities allows them to burn some pent up energy, get some fresh air and feel revitalized for learning. During the cold winter months, we are obviously very careful in making decisions about whether or not our students will go outdoors. Just prior to each break period, we check the weather in order to determine the latest information respecting temperatures and wind chill factors. However, we encourage you to dress your child appropriately for our 'wet' coast climate: mitts/gloves, boots, a warm winter coat (with a hood or a toque).



Please help us keep them dry by ensuring they have a full change of clothing kept at school.



## PLACE MAILLARDVILLE AFTERSCHOOL WINTER PROGRAMS

Registration forms will be sent home soon with the students for the winter session of Sports and Games (Gr 2 & 3), Let's Get Moving (Gr. K & 1) & Soccer and More (Gr 4 & 5). The registration will take place on Thursday, January 26th at 2:30 p.m. in the front foyer of the school. You must register in person. Please bring the completed waiver form with you at time of registration. The school office will not be collecting waivers.

### Sports and Games - Grades 2 and 3

Join us for a variety of sports & games!

**Gym:** 2:45 to 4:15 pm - Mondays

### Let's Get Moving - Grades K and 1

Join us for a variety of sports & games!

**Gym:** 2:45 to 4:15 pm - Tuesdays

### Soccer & More - Grades 4 and 5

Join us for a soccer & more!

**Gym:** 2:45 to 4:15 pm - Thursdays

## CLOTHING DRIVE



The Student Government is sponsoring this Fundraiser to support student activities. If you have any items that you would like to donate, please place them in large garbage bags and bring to the school no later than Thursday, January 28th. We will receive \$2.50 per bag or box based on FULL garbage bags that weigh no less than 15.5 lbs.



### Acceptable Items

#### Include:

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

### Basic Rules

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



## COMING IN FEBRUARY ... EXCEL MARTIAL ARTS



Bryan Janzen, from Excel Martial Arts is offering lunch time martial arts lessons in February and March. Four lessons for \$20 and ALL the proceeds will go directly to the school. Look for more information in next month's newsletter.

## 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. 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.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS/POKER NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Emergency preparedness is top of mind for everyone in light of the recent earthquake on December 30. This is a great opportunity to reflect and identify any gaps in our own personal emergency preparedness as well as the schools.

We have arranged a couple of events in February to shed some light on emergency preparedness and to raise money for much needed emergency supplies at the school. Unfortunately we are at the bottom of the list for seismic upgrades so having food, water, shelter and first aid are all high priority in order for our children to be safe and survive outside in an emergency. Our school's ability to purchase emergency preparedness supplies and upgrade aging technology is only possible through fundraising activities. We need you, your family, and your friends! Come out to help meet our goals and support the children!

### 1. Emergency preparedness presentation

Learn why emergency preparedness is important, especially now. Preparedness at the school and benefits of having an emergency pack for your child. Plus, personal preparedness at home and what supplies you need.

**When:** Friday, February 12, 2016

**Where:** Cape Horn Elementary library

**Time:** 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**Speaker:** Marc D'Aquino, Emergency Planner/Present of Holistic Emergency Preparedness & Response Ltd.

### 2. Annual poker night fundraiser

All proceeds go towards the schools' lacking emergency supplies and aging computer equipment

**When:** Friday, February 26, 2016

**Where:** Cape Horn Elementary gymnasium

**Time:** 6:30 pm – midnight (doors open at 6:00 pm;  
cash bar 6:00 pm - midnight)

**Tickets:** \$40 buy-in

### 2 ½. Poker night bonus activities!

You don't have to be a poker star to enjoy the event. There's something for everyone.

- ◆ **Silent Auction:** Exclusive silent auction you won't want to miss!
  - Bid forms and item descriptions will be available in the school lobby beginning February 22nd and throughout the February 26th poker night fundraiser
  - Lucky winners will be announced during the poker night intermission
  - Show your competitive side, keep bidding so you don't get out bid
- ◆ **Fund a Need:** Know exactly where your contributions are going.
  - Donate to specific technology items and emergency supplies.
  - Take part and bid throughout the night, items and bid forms will be available in the school lobby beginning February 22nd
- ◆ **Dance Party:** For those party animals (you know who you are!)
  - Come and cheer on your friends and enjoy an evening filled with fun, socializing and dancing in our exclusive lounge.

Friday  
February 26, 2016  
6:30 pm - 12 am

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**DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM**  
AT THE  
CAPE HORN ELEMENTARY  
GYMNASIUM  
155 FINNIGAN ST., COQUITLAM

CASH BAR FROM 6 PM-MIDNIGHT

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PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS THE SCHOOLS  
OUTDATED COMPUTER LAB  
&  
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS SUPPLIES

**HELP SUPPORT THE KIDS**

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**\$40  
buy-in**

\*\*\*\*\* This years' event includes bonus activities for everyone! \*\*\*\*\*



**Cash prize for top 3 winners!**

1<sup>st</sup> ... 25%  
2<sup>nd</sup> ... 15%  
3<sup>rd</sup> ... 10%

\*Poker tournament ends at 12am. Person with the most chips wins.

Actual odds depend on number of tickets sold. Problem Gambling Help Line: 1-888-770-6111. www.bccrgc.com/pep/pep.htm. ©2015

For more information regarding the poker fundraiser or emergency preparedness presentation, contact Alex at [adoradeacabrera@gmail.com](mailto:adoradeacabrera@gmail.com)

## School District #43

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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)

### Bottle Drive

Don't forget to drop off your re-  
fundable bottles/cans/juice boxes at the  
school on Saturday, January 23rd between  
10:00 am and noon. Look for the big blue bin in  
the front parking lot!



## Breakfast Club

We are now up and running! Thank you to all the very generous people who donated items to our new Breakfast Club. It looks like we will be able to offer this opportunity to our community on a daily basis, however, we will need more volunteers to assist with serving and cleaning; generally this will be about 1 hour of your time before school. Please contact Mr. McGovern if you are able to lend a hand. Once we have an idea how many volunteers we have and on which days we will be able to expand to a daily Breakfast Club.



## PAC News

### PAC MEETING

We would like to invite you to our next meeting on Wednesday, January 13 at 8:00 pm in the library. This is the perfect opportunity to visit and to see exactly what things the PAC is doing for our school. The February meeting is on the 10th.

### FUNDRAISING NEWS:

#### Movie Night:

The CHPAC is holding the ever popular Movie Night on Friday Jan. 22, featuring the Disney movie, *Minions!* Ticket order forms have been sent home. Extra forms are available at the office.

#### Poker Night:

Come one, Come all - invite your friends and neighbours to this exciting Cape Horn fundraiser on February 26th! Texas Hold'em Rules apply

Watch for information to come home soon. Hope to see you there!



#### 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. We are very grateful to Mrs. Papa and Mrs. Agostino for their hard work running this fundraiser, purchasing items, organizing sponsors, wrapping baskets and selling tickets. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets and also to

those who donated items/cash to fill the baskets! We'll have the total raised in the next newsletter. Congratulations to all the basket winners!

We would also like to thank you all our Treasure Tray sponsors, we will have a list of the contributors next month.

#### Pies & Cookies

This fundraiser was very successful again this year. Thank you to everyone for supporting our PAC fundraising!



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Adult Learning Opportunities

### Want to Graduate?

Call our Learning Centre (CLOC) at 604.945.4211 to book an advising appointment - You might be closer to graduation than you think. We have **tuition-free** courses for non-graduates\*.



### Need a Course or Want to Upgrade a Mark?

Class-room based and self-paced courses are available: Accounting 11/12, Biology 11/12, Communications 11/12, Chemistry 11/12, English 11/12, Geography 12, History 12, Math 11/12 (all) Physics 11/12, Planning 12, Social Studies 11 and more!



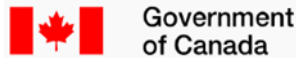
High School course registration opens online on December 15<sup>th</sup> for February classes. Registration for self-paced classes is on-going. Visit [www.ce43.com](http://www.ce43.com) for account creation and registration information.

### Want to Learn English?

We have free\* Foundations classes to support you. Language Assessment is required prior to registration. Visit Montgomery Centre Thursday nights from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Visit [www.ce43.com](http://www.ce43.com) for documentation requirements.

### Are you New to Canada?

We have Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC) classes to help improve English Language skills (beginner to intermediate) and provide settlement information and support. These are free classes funded by the Canadian Government through a grant provided by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada. Daytime and evening classes are available, and childminding is available for daytime classes.



### Looking for a New Career or Want to Improve Your Skills?

We offer **Continuing Studies Courses**: Accounting, Bookkeeping, Business Communications, Computerized Accounting, Digital Photography, Employment Preparation, Keyboarding, Microsoft Office, Payroll, Photoshop, Records & File Management, Special Effects Make-up & Beauty Make-up, Ten Key Number Pad, How to Get Better Grades in School, Introduction to Medical Terminology for ESL, and Spanish.



We also offer **Diploma & Certificate Programs**: Administrative Assistant, Building Service Worker, Computerized Accounting, Community Support Worker, Dental Receptionist, Games Studies, Health Care Assistant, Medical Office Assistant, and Beauty & Special Effects Make-up. Visit [www.vocationalprograms](http://www.vocationalprograms) for more information.

Visit [www.ce43.com](http://www.ce43.com) for locations and more information

on all of our programs.

\*Subject to Canadian status and BC residency requirements.



Voted Top 3 Best Preschool in Tri-City

**Little Neighbours Preschool**  
155 Finnigan Street

(on the Cape Horn Elementary grounds—Finnigan & Kaptey Streets)

**OPEN HOUSE**

**SATURDAY, January 16th**

**10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**September 2016 Registration on now!!!**

Children turning 3 years by December 31, 2016 can start in September

Children turning 3 by April 30, 2017 can start in January 2017

Call 604-521-5158 to set up an in-class observation or visit our website at [www.littleneighbours.com](http://www.littleneighbours.com) Parent Participation or Parent Involvement, you choose!

## School District 43

### FREE READY, SET, LEARN EVENT FOR FAMILIES

Children will be able to participate in a variety of play based learning activities, listen to stories and have a healthy snack. Parents will be able to learn and play with their child as well as meet with early childhood education experts and local community agencies. Adding even more fun to the festivities, enjoy an award-winning show by children's entertainer Will Stroet. Morning shows will be at 10 am and afternoon shows will be at 1:30 pm.

Drop into any one of the following events. It's all free!

Wednesday, February 10  
9:00-11:30  
Heritage Mountain Elementary

Tuesday, February 16  
9:00-11:30  
Seaview Elementary

Tuesday, February 23  
12:30-3:00  
Roy Stibbs Elementary

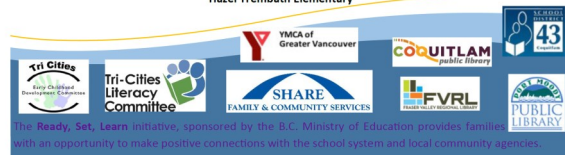


Thursday, February 18  
12:30-3:00  
Hazel Trembath Elementary

Wednesday, February 10  
12:30-3:00  
Coquitlam River Elementary

Thursday, February 18  
9:00-11:30  
Cedar Drive Elementary

Tuesday, February 23  
9:00-11:30  
Riverview Park Elementary



The Ready, Set, Learn initiative, sponsored by the B.C. Ministry of Education provides families with an opportunity to make positive connections with the school system and local community agencies.