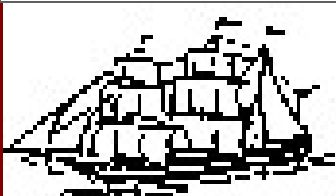


Back to School



Cape Horn News

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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"

CAPE HORN PAC

We are excited to introduce our new PAC email:

capehornpac@gmail.com and PAC Facebook page: (Search) Cape Horn Elementary PAC.

Our Facebook page will be updated with upcoming events, reminders, and school closures. We look forward to building our school PAC community this year by encouraging communication. We are excited to hear your ideas, input and suggestions. Please join us for the first PAC meeting of the year on Wednesday, September 23rd at 7:00 in our school library.

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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To jest ważny dokument. Prosimy o przetłumaczenie go.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Welcome, or welcome back to another great year of learning and laughter at Cape Horn Elementary School! We are excited to see so many happy faces and enthusiastic learners filling our classrooms, and look forward to a fantastic year. In fact our population is now 242 students; the biggest we have been in years.

We hope you enjoyed a relaxing summer with your family, and are ready for a brand new school year. I'd like to highlight a few details and changes from last year.

Staff Changes

We welcome new teachers:

Ms Rachel Graham, Mrs. Britton,
Ms Schafer, Ms Mackay
Ms Moschetti

Power Up

We are all beginning our day the healthy way! Once our warning bell rings at 8:40 am students will go to their classrooms, drop off their backpacks and head down to the gymnasium for 10 minutes of exercise, to

sing O Canada and to hear the daily messages. This is a great way for all our students to get a sense of community. It is very important that students arrive on time and ready to participate.



School Planners

All students will be bringing home our new planner, with the exception of our kindergarten students. Planners cost \$10 and we can accept either cash or cheque. Teachers will issue receipts once they receive your payment.

School Yard Supervision

Supervision for students on the playground begins at 8:30 am daily, with an entrance bell at 8:40 am. Students are dismissed at the 2:45 pm exit bell. Please note that students arriving prior to 8:30 am or remaining on the yard after 3:00 pm are the supervision responsibility of parents or guardians. For your child's safety, please encourage your child's arrival and departure within supervised times.

Again, welcome, and thanks for being involved in your child's learning!!

Bill McGovern
Principal

Welcome Back & Open House BBQ



On Thursday, September 24th, the Cape Horn Staff would like to invite all students and their parents to our BBQ from 5:00 - 6:30 pm. Cape Horn families are

invited to the school to visit their child's classroom, meet the teacher and play with our sports equipment. This will be an informal time for parents and staff to get acquainted. Tables will be set up in the gym and on the playground (weather permitting). You are welcome to bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on the grass.

See page 3 of this newsletter for more info.



CALENDAR



SEPTEMBER

- 23 PAC Meeting @ 7:00 pm in the library
- 24 • Terry Fox Run
• Family BBQ
- 25 Pro-D - NO school for students
- 28 Fruit & Veggie Delivery - Bartlett Pears
- 29 Place Maillardville Afterschool Pgm registration

OCTOBER

- 12 Thanksgiving (no school)
- 15 PAC Hot Lunch Day
- 16 PAC Trivia Night
- 19-21 Scholastic Book Fair

- 23 Pro-D - no school for students

NOVEMBER

- 3 Picture Retake Day
- 11 Remembrance Day - no school
- 20 District Non-School Day (schools closed)

CAPE HORN STAFF

Mr. Bill McGovern	Principal / Counsellor
Mme Denise Gibson	Division 1 (Grade 4/5)
Mr. John Andrews	Division 2 (Grades 4/5)
Mrs. Rachel Graham	Division 3 (Grades 3/4)
TBA	Division 4 (Grades 2/3)
Ms. Tara Schafer/ Ms. Erin Britton	Division 5 (Grades 2/3)
Miss Caleigh Goodheart	Division 6 (Grade 2)
Mrs. Gloria Olcen	Division 7 (Grade 1)
Mrs. Nicole Cherry	Division 8 (Grade 1)
Ms. Sarah Mackay	Division 9 (Grade K)
Mrs. Barb Braidwood	Division 10 (Grade K)
Mrs. Kristina Dressel	Learning Services
Ms. Andrea Moschetti	Learning Services
Mrs. Tanis Kennedy	Learning Services
Mrs. Sandra Palm	Learning Services
Mrs. Elisabeth Peters	Library
Ms. Tia Turner	Music/
Mrs. Anya Bayley	Speech & Language Pathologist
Mrs. Carol Claybo	School Secretary
Mrs. Angie Bermisa	Special Education Assistant
Mrs. Charlene Dalke	Special Education Assistant
Mrs. Jacque Dobson	Special Education Assistant
Mrs. Joyce Donald	Special Education Assistant
Mrs. Terri-Lynn Girond	Special Education Assistant
Ms. Margaux Jackson	Special Education Assistant
Mrs. Monique Power	Special Education Assistant
Mrs. Helen Satterwhite	Special Education Assistant
Mrs. Deb Calen	Noon Hour Assistant
Ms. Laura Daoust	Noon Hour Assistant
Mrs. Ling Ling Yiu	Morning Caretaker
Mrs. Laurie Vnuk	Afternoon Caretaker



SAFE ARRIVAL OF STUDENTS

For your child's safety, we are required to check attendance and place safe arrival telephone calls, at 8:45 am (beginning of the school day). Please assist us by giving us a call or sending a note or email to the teacher when your child is away from school. We do have an answering machine at school for your convenience. If you are unable to call during office hours please leave a message on our answering machine (include your child's name, grade and reason he/she is absent). If the school is unaware of why a child is absent, calls will be made to your home, place of work, or to your emergency contact until we can verify the absence. This is done for your child's safety. Thanks for keeping us informed at school!



TERRY FOX RUN



Cape Horn's Terry Fox Run will take place on Thursday, September 24th, kicking off with a school-wide assembly at 9:00 a.m. As always, parents are welcome to join us! We will be asking students to bring in donations. All money raised will be forwarded to the Terry Fox Foundation.

WHEN YOU VISIT THE SCHOOL ...



At the request of our District Office, I have been asked to remind families of school policy about visiting the school and playground, which is put into place for the safety of all children, and to ensure that learning is not interrupted. Please

read this important message below.

Who is a visitor? At Cape Horn and all schools in School District 43, a visitor is anyone who does not attend class or is not paid to work with students in our building. That means you are a visitor if you are a parent, family member, community member, volunteer, service provider or salesperson. We always welcome parents and visitors to our school, either planned or informally.

In the School:

1. We do require that all persons (except students and staff) enter by the front entrance only, and check in with the office upon your arrival. This is to ensure the safety of everyone in the building, and to confirm who is on our premises, as per our School Safety Plan.
2. If you have something for your child (forgotten lunch, homework, message), please leave it with us at the office, and we will see that your child receives it in a timely fashion. This minimizes the interruptions to curriculum and your child's learning.
3. If you need to speak with a staff member while you are at the school, please have the office page them.

We appreciate your understanding as we strive to maintain high standards of safety and classroom instruction for your child.

On the Playground:

1. We appreciate the many parents and caregivers who accompany their children to school, and deliver them safely to our playground each day. Thank you for dropping them off in a safe area, on the sidewalk or at the edge of the playground.
2. Parents are welcome to stand at the edge of the play areas or near the doors to watch their own children at play. It's important to note that if you, as an adult, see an issue, you need to report it to the staff on duty, or the principal, so that we are fully informed and can deal with it. Only staff members have the authority to supervise and address behavior issues.

Thank you to our school community, our families and our school council for working closely with staff to ensure the safety and learning of all children.



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Check out the website for news and announcements!
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FOCUS ON SAFETY



We share your concern about the safety of our children, and we appreciate parents walking students onto the playground each morning. We also recognize the very limited amount of space available for parking, and that the movement of vehicles in the parking lot and on the street can pose dangers for children. We need your help in the following ways:

1. Do not leave your unattended vehicle running. Please shut off the engine and remove keys before leaving your vehicle.
2. Students have been advised to enter the school yard across the west playground, or on the sidewalk at the east end beside the parking lot only, as walking through the parking lot is a safety concern. Thanks for reinforcing this with your children.
3. We ask that parents walking with their children use the east sidewalk only, and do not cross the parking lot, for safety reasons. Thanks for modelling this safe practice for our children.
4. A pylon barrier will be set up daily to prevent vehicles from entering the front parking. Thanks for respecting that barrier.
5. Please remain alert and aware that children are crossing the street, and are moving along sidewalks near the school. For the safety of our kids, please make an extra check before moving your vehicle.

FRUIT & VEGGIE PROGRAM



We all enjoyed grape tomatoes as our snack last week. Please note that the following fruits and vegetables are scheduled for the upcoming weeks:

- Week of September 28th - Bartlett pears*
- Week of October 19th - Mixed Organic apples*
- Week of November 2nd - Baby carrots*
- Week of November 23rd - Mandarin oranges*

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.



FAMILY E-MAILS

Last week an email was sent out with reminders about upcoming events. If you did not receive that email, but would like to be added to the distribution list, please send an email to Mrs. Claybo at cclaybo@sd43.bc.ca and we will make sure your email address is added so you will receive all future correspondence.



WELCOME BACK AND OPEN HOUSE BARBECUE

Thursday, September 24th
5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

The PAC and staff wish to invite Cape Horn families to an evening of food and fun! This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher(s), visit with friends and meet new families to our community. Attached to this newsletter are 2 complimentary tickets for food items that will be served up. Should you require more tickets for your family, tickets will be sold at the front lobby. Like last time, parents can sign out some of our sports equipment (bocci balls, badminton racquets, playground balls etc.) for your family to enjoy.

Looking forward to see you this Thursday night.





Cape Horn Elementary School

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2015 – 2016

Schools Open.....	Tuesday, September 8
Non-Instructional Day..... (Common District Day)	Friday, September 25
Thanksgiving.....	Monday, October 12
Non-Instructional Day..... (Common Provincial Day)	Friday, October 23
Remembrance Day.....	Wednesday, November 11
School Not In Session.....	Friday, November 20
Schools Close for Winter Vacation.....	Friday, December 18
Winter Vacation.....	December 21 – January 1
Schools Reopen After Winter Vacation.....	Monday, January 4
Non-Instructional Day..... (School Based Day)	Friday, January 29
BC Family Day.....	Monday, February 8
Non-Instructional Day..... (Common District Day)	Friday, February 19
Schools Close for Spring Vacation.....	Friday, March 11
Spring vacation period.....	March 14 - March 24
Good Friday.....	Friday, March 25
Easter Monday.....	Monday, March 28
Schools re-open After Spring Vacation.....	Tuesday, March 29
Non-Instructional Day..... (Common District Day)	Friday, April 15
Victoria Day.....	Monday, May 23
Non-Instructional Day..... (School Based Day)	Friday, June 17
Last day of school for all students.....	Wednesday, June 29
Administrative Day.....	Thursday, June 30