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École Glen School Newsletter

Friday, November 4th, 2016

Take Care of Yourself Take Care of Each Other Take Care of this Place

Dear Parents/Guardians,

There has never been such an exciting and innovative time in education. The B.C. public education system is already a world class system. The K-12 revised curriculum promises to help secure BC as a world leader.

The K-9 revisions in curriculum include a significant emphasis on the use of inquiry and more flexibility for students to show their learning in many ways. The basic competencies of reading, writing and mathematics remain but with a focus on understanding concepts through hands on experiences. An emphasis on the Aboriginal principles of learning as well as building a better understanding of the history of first peoples has been included in all subject areas in all grades. Parents are encouraged to learn too. Please explore the work of Gord Downie who has produced an album, animated film and graphic novel to honour the life of Chanie Wenjack who died after he walked away from the residential school he was forced to attend in 1966.

View Secret Path at cbc.ca/secretpath

Woven throughout all curriculum areas are 3 core competencies, Communication, Thinking, and Personal and Social Responsibility. Core competencies are intellectual, personal, and social and emotional proficiencies that all students need to develop in order to engage in deep and life-long learning. The Zones of Regulation is one example of how we are developing personal and social responsibility with your children.

Changes in learning need to be reflected in how we communicate learning to parents. This year the Coquitlam School District and the province are inviting parents to give their input regarding reporting students learning. In the 2017/18 school year the Ministry of Education will announce a new reporting policy based on parent input and educational research. Attached is the public consultation meeting they are hosting. See pg 7 for the full ad

Mrs. S. Husband
Principal

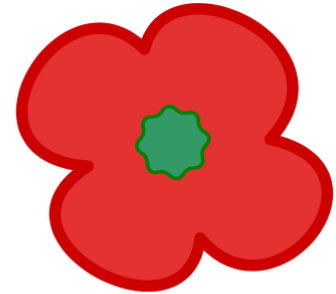
Mr. R. Appel
Vice-Principal

Remembrance Day

On Thursday, November 10th we will have a Remembrance Day Assembly to honour all those who fought for democracy. This assembly is an important tradition in all schools and a way for our children to learn about the cost of war. It is a time for us to honour all those who sacrificed so that we can enjoy our freedom today.

We are so lucky to be living here in Canada. World events have reminded us over and over how fortunate we are to have the right to safety and education.

Thank you to Mme. Gordon and Mme. Romilly for their work in organizing this very important assembly. Appreciation to Mrs. Franz for leading the choir. Thank you to the many students who make this assembly special thanks to the students and families of Glen Elementary. Special appreciation to our trumpeter from Riverside Secondary, who will play the Last Post. We were pleased to also welcome an adult education class from Coquitlam Continuing Education (LINC class).



Lest We Forget.

REPORT CARDS

The first formal report card will come home on December 16th, 2016.

Please take some time to read the report card with your child. Ask them to think about their learning this term. Here are some questions to guide your conversation:



What are they proud of or happy about? What makes them feel good about that one thing? What is one thing they would like to get better at? How could they get better at it? What are one or two specific things they are going to do to reach their goal?

Work to set one or two goals that are within your child's reach. We are all able to make small changes but rarely do we successfully make big ones that last. Many small successful changes can add up over time to a very significant change.

For more tips on talking with your child about their report card [click here](#).

STUDENT SAFETY

- SD43 has reminded all schools that every visitor (including parents) must sign and out when they are in the school, even for a short time.



- Please use a crosswalk when crossing Westwood, Glen or Pipeline. Last year a high school student was hit on Westwood by a car.
- Please be a good role model for our students. Children will follow our example when they are old enough to come to school on their own.

Dressing for the Weather



Students will go outside at recess and lunch almost everyday even when it is raining.

Students need to bring umbrellas, water proof rain coats and rain boots to school on rainy or cold days.....even if there is the chance of rain. Please make sure that your child is dressed for the rainy B.C. weather.



Kindergarten to grade 3 children need to have extra clothes at school that can be kept in their cloakroom space in case they get wet. Small children love to play in puddles and sometimes get very wet. We do not want children in wet clothes all day at school. It is cold and uncomfortable for your child. Children also need active play to be able to learn well.

WINTER WEATHER AND SCHOOL CLOSURES

Schools are not usually closed because of snow or other weather conditions. All schools in the Coquitlam School District will remain open, if possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.

Our schools are in very different climate zones from one another and there may be the need for **some** schools to be closed within the district while other remain open. If there is a partial closure of schools within the school district, these individual schools will be named. Full or partial school closures do not happen often.



Extreme weather can also change the transit bussing. Bus schedules may have changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents looking for information on public bus schedules need to consult the Translink website: <http://www.translink.ca/>

Coquitlam School District school closures will be decided by 6:30 a.m. or earlier and will be announced on:

1. School District 43 website www.sd43.bc.ca
2. Radio

CKNW	980am radio
CKWX	1130am radio
CBC	690am radio

Please do not call the school.

LOST AND FOUND



We have a school lost and found located near the entrance to the gym. If your child has lost something please take a look through the lost and found and take it back.

Over the Christmas break all lost and found items will be donated to a local charity.

Grade 5 Volleyball

We have over 30 grade 5 boys and girls participate in volleyball this year. The players have played home games as well as an upcoming Jamborees at Pinetree Secondary on November 25th. We are so fortunate to have such a welcoming and supportive high school to make this event possible.

The teams have a wonderful experience their skills have developed and their sportsmanship has been top notch. Please ask your child to thank their coaches for their time. The season continues until Nov 25th



GETTING TO SCHOOL AND HOME SAFELY

With the wet weather we know that families struggle that little bit extra to get to school on time.

Being on time is really important and we want kids here on time. It is not more important than student safety. When dropping your child please do not double park (a car beside a car) or stop in a crosswalk.

Child who walk and cross Westwood or Pipeline need to use the crosswalk. We have had several emails and calls from concerned adults. Last week a child was nearly hit crossing Westwood outside the cross walk.



The staff parking lot can not be used to drop or pick up children. It is extremely dangerous to children to have a car reversing back. Please help us remind or teach all families in our school. We are teaching our children habits for a life time. If we want our children to follow our expectations then we need to be good role models for them. They notice our habits.



Safety is everyone's responsibility



Glen Elementary will be supporting the food bank. Local food banks make food available to families who need help to feed their family. If your family relies on the food bank please let us know so we can assist your family by including your child in our breakfast program. Please bring non perishable food to all school events in November and December. Food items MOST needed in the Food Bank to fill Food Hampers in the Tri Cities.

Food	Amount needed in Coquitlam
Canned Fruit	2,500 cans
Fish & Meat (canned)	2,800 cans
Peanut Butter	1,000 jars
Cereal	1,540 boxes
Rice	1,000 bags
Canned Meals	3,000 cans
Canned Vegetables	2,000 cans
Tomato Sauce	2,000 jars
Juice	1,000 containers
Pasta	1,500 packages

Special food items to think about: Stuffing Mix, Candy or Chocolates, Jam, Coffee or Tea

* Please be advised that we can not use open, damaged or expired food

Parent Advisory Page

NEXT PAC MEETING

Wednesday November 9th
PAC Kitchen 8:45am-10:00am

Please join us to learn about what is happening at Glen , to give input and to meet and connect with other parents in our school. Dads are welcome too!

NEXT RECYCLING PICK UP

Saturday, November 19th
Glen Parking Lot-9am-12pm

Bring your recyclables! Make a difference to the environment and Glen School.



For more information contact Nadine Gibb

Glen Elementary Parent Advisory Council



We have a Facebook Group! Join us!



Search: Glen Elementary PAC Group

GLEN MOVIE NIGHT

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18th

Doors open 6:30pm

Movie starts 7:00pm– approximately 9pm

All children must be with a parent/ grandparent or adult caregiver. Children who are not with an adult will not be allowed to enter.

Entrance to the movie is by donation to the food bank (money, non perishable food or a new un-wrapped toy).

Bring your pillows, blankets and stuffies.

The concession (snack food) will be open. This event is made possible thanks to the PAC. To volunteer please email Suzi Allen susan.leanne.allen@gmail.com

Thank you to the 22 parents that signed up to help with the upcoming hot lunch.



Wow, awesome school spirit! Special thanks to Camille and Suzi for leading the lunch organization.

GRADE 5 PARENTS

We need more help to run the concession at Pine-tree Secondary on Nov 25th during the grade 5 volleyball jambouree. Please email Gail Forsselius gforsselius@gmail.com if you can help.



Glen School Calendar 2016-2017

Student Photo Retakes	Thursday, November 3, 2016
PAC meeting	Wednesday, November 5, 2016 9:45am PAC Kitchen
Remembrance Day Assembly	Thursday, November 10, 2016
Remembrance Day Holiday-	Friday, November 11, 2016 Students do not attend
Curriculum Implementation Day-	Monday, November 14, 2016 Students do not attend
PAC Movie Night	Friday, November 18, 2016 (New Date)
Spirit Day-Disney	Friday, November 18, 2016
PAC Santa Breakfast	Thursday, December 8, 2016 (Tentative Date)
Winter Performance Dress Rehearsal	Wednesday, December 14, 2016
Winter Performance	Thursday, December 15, 2016
First Term Report Cards sent home	Friday, December 16, 2016
Schools Close for Winter Vacation	Friday, December 16, 2016
Spirit Day– Green and Red	Friday, December 16, 2016
Winter Vacation- Students do not attend	Saturday, December 19, 2016 to Monday, Jan 2
Term two	
Schools Re-opens	Tuesday, January 3, 2017
First Term Parent-Teacher Interviews	Tuesday, January 10, 2016 Early Dismissal 1:38 pm
School Based Professional Day -	Monday, Jan 30, 2017 Students do not attend/ office is closed
Second Term Student Led Conference Early Dismissal	Thursday, February 2, 2017 Early Dismissal 1:38 pm
B.C. Family Day Holiday	Monday, February 13, 2017 Students do not attend
Real Acts of Care Week	Monday, Feb 13 to Friday, Feb 17
Pink Shirt Day	Wednesday, February 22, 2017
District Non-Instructional Day	Friday, Feb 24, 2017 Students do not attend/ office is closed
Dance Festival	Friday, March 10, 2017
Schools Close for Spring Vacation	Friday, March 10, 2017
Spring Vacation	Sat., March 11 to Sunday, March 26, 2017 Students do not attend
Term three	
Schools Open	Monday, March 27, 2017
Second Term Report Cards sent home	Friday, March 31, 2017
Second Term Parent-Teacher Conferences	Thursday, April 6, 2017 Early Dismissal 1:38 pm
Good Friday Holiday- Students do not attend	Friday, April 14, 2017
Easter Monday Holiday- Students do not attend	Monday, April 17, 2017
District Non-Instructional Day-	Friday, April 21, 2017 Students do not attend / office is closed
Music Monday- (10:00 am outside parents welcome)	Monday, May 1, 2017
Class and Team Photos	Thursday, May 18, 2017
Victoria Day Holiday-	Monday, May 22, 2017 Students do not attend
School Based Professional Day	Tuesday, May 23, 2017 Students do not attend/ office is closed
Welcome to Kindergarten Meetings English 9am FI 1pm	Thursday, June 1, 2017
Current English Kindergarten students start school at 10:30am	
Current French Kindergarten students finish school at 12:00pm	
Parent Appreciation Tea	Tuesday, June 6, 2017 (1:00 pm)
Sports Day– parents welcome to watch events	Friday, June 9, 2017
Grade 5 leaving ceremony (time TBA)	Thursday, June 29, 2017
Last day for students (dismissal at 2:37 pm)	Thursday, June 29, 2017
Final Report Cards sent home	Thursday, June 29, 2017
Administrative Day–Students do not attend	Friday, June 30, 2017 Office closes at 11am
Schools Close for Summer Vacation	Tuesday, July 4, 2017

Glen Student Attendance/ Lates

<p><u>Absence Report</u></p>	<p>Please help our secretary, Mrs. Carswell by completing the online absence report every time your child is going to be away from school or late.</p> <p>Each day Mrs. Carswell calls to check on every student when we do not know why they are absent. This process takes nearly 2 hours each and every day.</p> <p>If you are no able to complete the online form please call the school.</p>
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Your Kid's Progress

Have Your Say on Report Cards



British Columbia's new school curriculum is making sure students are ready to succeed in our changing world. The Ministry of Education wants parents to share how they want to learn about their child's progress from kindergarten to Grade 9. Everyone welcome.

ATTEND A COMMUNITY MEETING TO LEARN MORE

Details:

February 8, 2016 5:00pm - 8:00pm @ Cambie Secondary School
4151 Jacombs Rd., Richmond, B.C. V6V 1N7
5:00-7:00pm OPEN HOUSE
7:00-8:00pm Facilitated Discussion

*For more information please visit:
engage.gov.bc.ca/yourkidsprogress/*



Maple Creek PAC presents...

FAMILY SHOPPING NIGHT

EXTRAVAGANZA

Friday, Nov 18 • 6pm - 9pm

Maple Creek Middle School - 3700 Hastings St., Port Coquitlam

Tickets
only
\$5

- Over 40 Vendors •
- Wide Variety of Products •
- Items in every Price Range •
- Refreshments • Raffles •
- Fun for the whole Family •

Join us for an evening full of family fun!
Help support the school and get a start
on your HOLIDAY SHOPPING early!

Tickets available at the door,
or purchase online at:

www.backpac.backpackfundraising.com

- Kids FREE • Teens FREE with Student Card •



High School Credit

Want to graduate or upgrade your marks?

Register today for self-paced or online credit courses. Visit CLOC (adult learning centre) or register online.

Did you know adults can graduate for free?

Free advising appointments available.

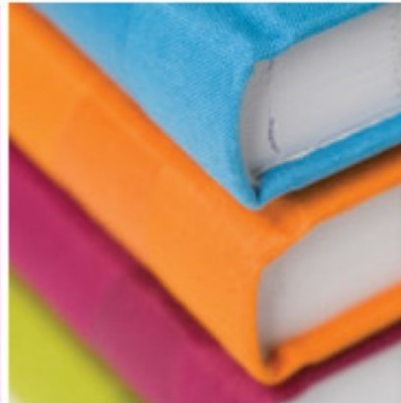
CLOC (Coquitlam Learning Opportunity Centre)
104-2748 Lougheed Hwy, Pt. Coquitlam 604-945-4211
www.ce43.com

Foundations English

Need to improve your English?

Join our tuition free Foundations English classes, which focus on basic reading, writing, speaking and listening. Basic computer literacy courses for beginners are also available. Academic upgrading options are available at every level.

New student? Register Thursdays 3:30-6 pm at
Coquitlam Continuing Education
380 Montgomery St. Coquitlam 604.936.4261
www.ce43.com



Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

Visit <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Pages/publications.aspx> or [click here](#) for a list of community events available to families.

17th ANNUAL HYDE CREEK SALMON FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2016 11:00AM – 3:00PM **FREE FAMILY EVENT!**



Lights at Lafarge

November 26 @ 2:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Town Centre Park, 1299 Pinetree Way
Coquitlam, BC V3B 7S4 Canada + [Google Map](#)

The grand finale of Coquitlam 125 will bring the celebrations to a close with stunning light displays, performances, an artisan fair and a special screening of the Coquitlam 125 film and legacy art project.