

Hazel Trembath Elementary School



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Newsletter # 8

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School Assemblies/Presentations:

Please be aware that parents/guardians are welcome to attend all of our Assemblies and also any special presentations that may occur at Hazel Trembath. We hold monthly assemblies and we hope you will join us! **Our next school wide Recognition Assembly will occur on Monday, April 29th at 9:00 a.m.** Several students will be recognized from each class for their efforts to date. We will also have some class performances. Watch the newsletters for other special presentations, the next one being **"Axe Capoeira"** held on Thursday, May 9th at 1:30 p.m.

Reminders:

We have made a few changes to our June calendar to work around events scheduled at Citadel Middle School, so that parents did not have a conflict. Please note these new dates:

- June 24th – Grade 6 for a morning at Citadel
- June 25th – Year-End Assembly 9:00 a.m.
- June 26th – Grade 5 Leaving Ceremony 1:00 p.m.

School District # 43 (Coquitlam) Summer Learning Programs

The website below has all the information students and parents will need (Registration dates, course offerings/descriptions, etc).
www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

Stay warm & dry!!

With the wet, spring season upon us, please ensure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the weather. Unless it is raining very hard, students will go outside at recess and lunch and should have outdoor clothing to keep them warm and dry. It would be very useful for all students to have a change of clothes at school. The playground gets very wet and slippery and we often have students who get wet and muddy.



Photos:

Individual, Class and Group/Team Photos will be Thursday, April 11th.

Class photos are provided free of charge to all students. Proofs of individual photos will be sent home and you then order from the proofs. **Please do not send any money on Thursday.** When the proofs are returned, order forms will be available to order prints of the team/group photos.



Professional Development Day:

There will be NO school on Friday, April 19th as this is a School Professional Development Day for teachers.

Como Lake Relays:

The 34th Annual School District "Como Lake Relays" are taking place Thursday, April 18th.



Our school will be sending teams to participate in this race which consists of four members with each participant running the full distance once around Como Lake (approximately 1.2 Km). Students from Grades 4 and 5 have been training and we know they will do a fine job representing our school. Please feel free to come out and cheer our teams on.

Special Event Day:

As one of our Spirit Days, our Student Leadership Group have planned an "80's DAY" on Friday, April 26th.



School Supplies for 2013-2014

Watch for **Creative Children** School Supply order forms which will be sent home next week.



Port Coquitlam May Day:

May 3 – May 12, 2013

We thank all students who put their names forward as candidates for Flower Girl, Princess and Lancer.



Congratulations to the following students who were selected to represent Hazel Trembath at the 2013 Port Coquitlam May Day Celebrations:

Rachel Tang – Hazel Trembath Flower Girl
Annabell Braun – Hazel Trembath Princess
Tobiasz Majerkiewicz – Hazel Trembath Lancer
Kaleb Guthrie – Hazel Trembath Lancer

We know they will be fine candidates representing our school. Watch for them at the May Day Parade.

Moving/Kindergarten Registration

Are you planning to move over the summer? If so, this information would be helpful to us in our planning for the new school year. Our staffing is based on the number of children registered for the 2013-2014 school year. Please inform our office, as well as the school in your new neighbourhood, as soon as possible. As well, it is critical for our September staffing that we register all Kindergarten students who plan to attend Hazel Trembath in September 2013. **If you know of any families in the neighbourhood who haven't yet registered their children for Kindergarten, please encourage them to do so immediately.**

Canadian Tire Money "Fundraiser"

Hazel Trembath Elementary is collecting **Canadian Tire Money** on an **ongoing** basis. This money will go directly back to your children in the form of new learning resources and equipment. Each classroom has a box to collect Canadian Tire Money which is picked up weekly.



Traffic Safety:

The safety of our children is a top priority. We would like to remind drivers that we have many children that walk to school on a daily basis using the crosswalks to get to school. Please take time to **SLOW DOWN IN SCHOOL ZONES AND STOP AT CROSSWALKS** to allow children to arrive at school safely.

Traffic & Parking At Hazel Trembath:

Thank you to parents for respecting the no stopping area in front of the school. The front of the school drop off is only for those individuals who have specific physical needs. The expectation is that all families drop off children at the upper parking lots and continue down the stairs to the school. Cars entering the upper parking lot are asked to take a large sweep to the right as they are entering and stay tight to the right when exiting the parking lot. On high volume days it is imperative that parents proceed with extra caution. Please review safety expectations with your children if they are walking to school as well. The care for our children is a collective responsibility.

DROP OFF REQUEST – Early Morning

Teachers are extremely busy in the morning preparing and planning for the day's lesson. Prior to 8:25 a.m., we cannot provide adequate supervision of our students on the playground. School doors do not open for students until 8:40 a.m., however, we will have some supervision after 8:25 in designated areas. Parents are encouraged to supervise their children until the 8:40 bell and to help establish socially responsible expectations when waiting to come in to school each day and after school before going home. As a community we are all responsible for the well being of our children. Thank you.



Student Absences:

For the safety of all students we request that you call the school before 8:50 a.m. and either relay the information to Mrs. Bolzan or leave a message on the answering machine with any student absences, whether it be for the entire day, half a day or to report that the student will be late. Please remind your child that they are to check in at the office when they arrive late. If a student is marked absent, it is our procedure to call the parent at home first, then at work and then to call the emergency contact to ensure the safety of the student. This is a necessary, but very time consuming process, so your help in this matter is very much appreciated.

SCHOOL DAILY SCHEDULE

- 8:25 a.m. Supervision begins on the school grounds
- 8:40 a.m.** School Bell – Students enter school
- 8:45 a.m. Classes Begin
- 10:15 a.m. Recess Break
- 10:35 a.m. Recess ends – Classes resume
- 12:05 noon Lunch Break
- 12:55 p.m. School Bell – Students enter school
- 12:55 p.m. Classes Resume
- 2:45 p.m. Students dismissed



If your child will be absent or late, would you please notify the office by 8:50 a.m.
Phone (604-941-0517)
Students arriving late **MUST** report to the office prior to going to class.

School Recycling Program

We would like to request that all Hazel Trembath students place their plastic drink bottles, aluminum cans, drink boxes and containers in our school recycling bins after they have rinsed them in the classroom sink. It helps our recycling crew do their job and the money we raise from recycling goes right back into materials and activities for our children!



Planners & Forms:

Please carefully read all of the information included in your child's planner as they are a key part of our communication between home and school.

School Policy & Permission Forms: We are still missing a significant number of these forms. If you have not already done so, please complete the School Policy form for each of your children as soon as possible. This form can be completed online or please request a paper form at the office.

The following forms can now be completed online at: www.sd43.bc.ca/hazeltrembath

Click on Parents, and then Forms

REQUIRED FORMS Complete 1 form per child

School Policy & Permission Form

Read the various policies and guidelines in this online form and discuss them with your child as you complete it. **This form is required for each and every student each school year.**

Medical Alert Form

Complete this online form **ONLY** if your child suffers from a medical condition the school must be aware of.

Volunteer Form

Complete this online form if you think you may be volunteering at our school (e.g. school field trips or events). **This form is required every 5 years for all parent volunteers**.**

Volunteer Driver Form

Complete this online form if you think you may be driving for school field trips or events. **This form is required each school year for all parent drivers**.**

Once you have completed the forms click on the **Green** submit button at the bottom of each form. Repeat as necessary. If you have trouble with any of the online forms, please contact the office at 604-941-0517.

The following is a list of the divisions, grade level and teacher names:

| Div. | Grade | Teacher's Name |
|-------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | 4/5 | Ms. Haselhan |
| 2 | 4/5 | Mr. Gabiniewicz |
| 3 | 3/4 | Ms. Ells |
| 4 | 2/3 | Mrs. Hamilton |
| 5 | 1/2 | Ms. Martindale |
| 6 | 1/2 | Miss Cooper |
| 7 | K/1 | Ms. Wickham |
| 8 | K | Ms. Veer |

****Please note that in order to volunteer, you must also submit a copy of a Criminal Record Check (every 5 years). An ICBC driver's abstract is required every school year for volunteer drivers.**

DRIVER'S ABSTRACT – How to get one: You can obtain a printed copy of your **driver's abstract** free of charge by attending an ICBC point of service and presenting your driver's license or by telephoning 1-800-950-1498 (ICBC Customer Service). The document will then be faxed within minutes, or mailed to you. For your convenience, you are welcome to have ICBC fax your driver's abstract to our school at 604-941-4786.

CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK – How to get one: Complete the "*Consent for Disclosure of Criminal Record Information*" form (enclosed). Take this form, the *Volunteer Letter from the Principal*, and picture I.D. to the Coquitlam RCMP detachment at 2986 Guildford Way corner of Pinetree Way (604-945-1550). You may receive the criminal record check on the spot or within a day or two.

HAZEL TREMBATH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CALENDAR

2012– 2013

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| April | 1 | Easter Monday Statutory Holiday (No School) |
| | 2 | School re-opens after Spring Break/Easter |
| | 10 | Snack Day |
| | 11 | Class, Group and Individual Spring Photos |
| | 18 | Como Lake Relays |
| | 19 | District Pro-D Day (No School) |
| | 20 | Community Garage Sale 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. |
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| | 29 | School Assembly 9:00 a.m. |
| May | 8 | Snack Day |
| | 9 | Fizzical Fizzicks Presentation 1:30 p.m. |
| | 14 | Provincial Election – Hazel Trembath School is a Polling Station |
| | 17 | Pitch-In Cleanup Week – Litterless Lunch |
| | 20 | Victoria Day (No School) |
| | 22 | Div. 7 & 8 to Maplewood Farm |
| | 24 | District Track & Field Meet |
| | 27 | School Assembly 9:00 a.m. |
| | 29 | Welcome To Kindergarten 10:30 – 12:00 noon |
| | 31 | Hot Lunch Day |
| | 31 | Fairy Tale Theme Day |
| June | 3 | School Pro. D. Day (No School) |
| | 6 | Parent Tea |
| | 7 | Fun Fair |
| | 12 | Div. 7 & 8 to Vancouver Aquarium |
| | 14 | Hot Lunch Day |
| | 21 | Grade 5 Activity Day/Grade 4 Activity Day |
| | 24 | Grade 6 For a Morning – Grade 5 students go to Citadel for the a.m. |
| | 25 | Year End Assembly 9:00 a.m. |
| | 26 | Grade 5 Leaving Ceremony 1:00 p.m. |
| | 26 | Snack Day |
| | 27 | Last Day of School for Students- 12:00 Noon Dismissal |
| | 28 | Administrative Day – Schools Close |

Please note that this Calendar is subject to change throughout the year



Hazel Trembath's 3rd Annual COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE!!

Saturday, April 20th
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Take this great opportunity to do some Spring Cleaning and raise money for our school by donating your gently used:

- Bicycles
- Kitchen/household items
- Small working appliances/electronics
- Kids toys and games (no stuffed animals please)
- Good used Sports equipment
- Books
- Christmas/seasonal/gardening items



***** NO CLOTHING, MATTRESSES,
OR STUFFED ANIMALS please*****

Please call Gina Christie 604-552-2453 with questions or if you would like to help!

We will be accepting donations the week of April 15 – 18.
Please bring all items to Room # 140.



Vandal Watch

YOU CAN HELP LOOK AFTER OUR SCHOOL AND STOP VANDALISM!

Our school is an important place in our neighbourhood and we all want to do everything we can to eliminate vandalism on our school grounds. Schools are most at risk on weekend evenings when the weather is good. You can help stop the problem.

Be Vigilant

Keep your eyes and ears open for suspicious activities. Signs of trouble include late night trespassers and the gathering of unorganized groups of people. Much vandalism takes place on Friday and Saturday between 11 p.m. – 2 a.m.

Gather Information

Everything you see and hear helps. Note the physical characteristics and clothing of individuals. If you see automobiles, jot down license plate numbers.

Report All Suspicious Activities to the Vandal Watch Tip Line:

604-927-7600

***Call immediately when something raises your suspicions,
Do not wait for the damage to be done.***

Your Call is Anonymous and Confidential

No one will ask for your name or phone number. The Tip Line is available 24 hours a day. Security personnel will investigate and will take action or involve the police. **Do not get involved in a confrontation yourself.**

**KEEP THE TIP LINE PHONE NUMBER HANDY. MAKE SURE THE PHONE NUMBER IS GIVEN
ONLY TO RESPONSIBLE ADULTS.**

Health News

A key to health – Get Active

According to the [Canadian Fitness and Lifestyle Research Institute](#), only **12% of Canadian children** meet the physical activity targets for children and youth. If children aren't active enough, they're at a higher risk for diseases like type 2 diabetes, hypertension, high cholesterol and other cardiovascular illnesses.

Did you know

60 minutes or more a day is all it takes

[Physical activity guidelines](#) recommend that children and youth get active for at least 60 minutes a day of moderate to vigorous-intensity physical activity.

Children should also decrease the time they spend on sedentary activities such as watching TV, playing computer games and surfing the Internet.

Simply increase your child's physical activity by just five or 10 minutes every few weeks - the time they spend being active will eventually add up to 60 minutes a day. Encourage your child to join in activities they enjoy.

Ways to encourage physical activity

Physical activity doesn't mean only sports - it can include everyday things like walking the dog, planting a garden, playing tag, building a snowman or tobogganing, and even household chores like shovelling the driveway or sweeping the garage.

Help your kids be active:

- Teach them the importance of daily physical activity as a vital part of staying healthy.

- Limit the non-active time they spend watching television, playing video games or surfing the Internet;

- Encourage them to ride their bikes or walk to school;

- Combine periods of moderate activity (walking, biking) with periods of more vigorous activity (running, playing soccer);

- Provide regular opportunities to learn new skills and have fun with organized activities like swimming, soccer, baseball, martial arts, dancing, gymnastics, skiing, basketball and tennis;

- Balance the day with play - physical activities that are informal and unstructured - particularly for children who tend to shy away from competition;

- Be a positive role model by being active;

- Be a physically active family with regular outings to hike, cycle, walk or skate; and

- Praise their choices of physical activities - confidence is critical to success!

COMMUNITY NEWS



Port Coquitlam is 100 Years Old!!

We had a very exciting kick off to the 100th Birthday celebration please check out

the on line site "www.portcoquitlam.ca/City_Hall" as there is much more to come throughout the year.

Place des Arts spring session class registration now open

Spring Session runs April 7 – June 15, 2013

Make a masterpiece, create a character or get your toes tapping! Register now for a spring art, dance or drama class at Place des Arts and get set to have fun. Place des Arts knows how to inspire the artist in you! Call 604.664.1636 or visit www.placedesarts.ca for more information and to register. Space is limited.

How to Get Better Grades in School!

You can make this your child's best year ever in school. Instructor, Terry Small's student success system shows your kids how to take charge of their time and succeed. Parents and students attend this seminar together to learn proven strategies and study secrets. Guaranteed: better grades, self-confidence, more free time, and fun learning.

Date: Tuesday, April 23rd
Time: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Where: Montgomery Education Centre
Price: \$45.00 for the whole family

To register: Coquitlam Continuing Education at 604-936-4261

For more information: www.terrysmall.com

Kids Only Swap Meet

Bargain hunters and those wanting to purchase children's outgrown clothing, toys, books and sports equipment are invited to Port Moody's Kids Only Swap Meet.

One day only – two arenas.

Free admission with over 115 tables of used items for kids of all ages.

Date: Saturday, April 20th

Time: 9:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Place: Port Moody Recreation Centre, 300 Ioco Rd., Port Moody

For information and/or table registration (limited space) call 604-469-4556

May Day

The City of Port Coquitlam has been celebrating May Day since 1923. Our community's modern day

celebration includes a whole week of fun-filled activities including outdoor concerts, community showcases, May Pole dancing, amusement rides and the May Day Rotary Parade.

The 2013 May Day Festival runs from May 3 to 12.

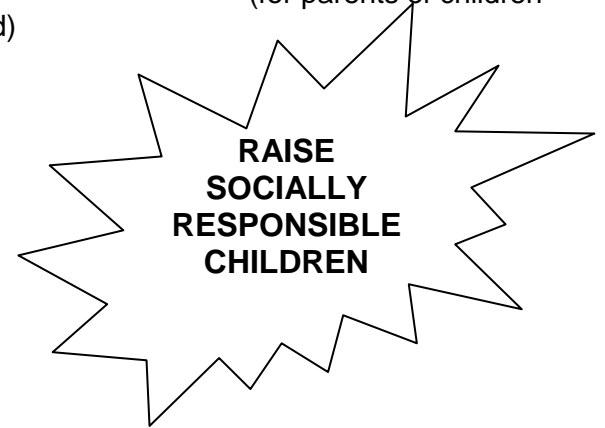
The festivities kick off at **on Friday, May 3 with the Opening Ceremony** at the [Port Coquitlam Recreation Complex](http://www.portcoquitlam.ca/RecreationComplex). Events continue throughout the week (**the Port Coquitlam May Day Rotary Parade is Saturday, May 11 at 11 am**) and wrap up with Mother's Day in Lions Park on Sunday, May 12.



FINE TUNE YOUR PARENTING SKILLS

(for parents of children

aged 5 to 11 years old)



Once again, two different parenting programs will be offered this term. As this is only offered in one Zone– make sure you register quickly to assure a space.

Sibling Rivalry

**6 Week program begins Tuesday. April 16
and ends on May 28th at
Alderson Elementary:
Time: 7 – 9 PM
Book cost: \$20.00 (payable first class)**

How to Talk so Kids will Listen.....

**6 week program begins on Tuesday April 16
and ends May 28th at
Alderson Elementary:
Time: **9:30-11:00 AM.**
Book Cost \$20.00 (payable first class)**

Facilitated by: Marna Omichinski / Youth Worker

To Register: Email: momichinski@sd43.bc.ca

Phone: 604-313-8902