



# HILLCREST MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## *Happenings – Hillcrest Middle Newsletter*

Wednesday, May 1st, 2024

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Please see our school website: [Hillcrest website](#)

### **Upcoming Events (includes events for our Grade 5 families):**

May 3	Eagles/Owls to Best for performance	June 13	Grade 8s to Playland
May 6	Music in the Park – Band & Choir to Lafarge	June 13	Jays/Ravens Grade 6/7 Activity Day
May 8	Ravens to Best for performance	June 14	Day of Play/Spirit Assembly
May 10	PAC Lunch – Pizza Hut	June 18	Summer Concert
May 13	PAC Meeting	June 19	Jays Team Sports Day
May 16	Grade 5 Parent Night	June 19-21	Owls Team to Camp Evans
May 20	Victoria Day Stat	June 20	Grade 6 Immunizations Round 2
May 23	PAC Lunch – Subway	June 21	Falcons to Grouse Mtn
June 3-7	Bike to School Week	June 24	Grade 6 Immunizations Round 2 catchup
June 3	Pro D Day (School based)	June 27	Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony
June 3	Babysitting Course (registration required)		Eagles Team: 9:00-10:00am
June 5	PAC Lunch – Sushi Fu		Ravens/Jays Teams: 10:30-11:30am
June 6	Grade 6 morning (for current Grade 5s)	June 27	Last day of school for students
June 11	Jays to Otter Co-Op Waterpark		

### **Band/Choir:**

Beginner Band: Monday/Wednesday 7:45-8:30am –Stage

Advanced Band: Tuesday/Friday 7:45-8:30am – Stage

Choir: Thursday 7:45-8:30am – Music Room

### **Athletics:**

Track & Field: Wednesdays (lunch) - District Track Meet May 10th

Badminton: Monday/Wednesday (lunch)

Open Gym Drop In: Fridays – 3:00-4:00pm

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### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast Club runs daily with the work being done by our Feeding Futures committee members and the Hillcrest Leadership Council, we are offering a 5 day a week Breakfast Club for ALL students 8:00-8:30am

### **Spirit Wear BLOWOUT SALE**

We are selling off our remaining stock of Spirit Wear. **All items are now 20+% off.** We have **very limited quantities** of each item which include Hoodies, Crewnecks, and T-Shirts. You can purchase items on School Cash Online only. Please be careful that you are ordering the correct item (ie Hoodie vs Crewneck), as each item and size has its own listing. The item will be given to your student upon purchase.

### **Information for our Incoming Grade 5 Families (Grade 6 2024-2025)**

#### **Grade 5 – Parent Night – Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

We are having a Grade 5 parent night on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:00pm. This night is for parents only.

#### **"Grade 6 for a morning" – Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**

Current Grade 5 students will visit Hillcrest from 9:30-11:30am. They will tour the school and finish with a snack, provided by us. If your grade 5 student is in a feeder school, they will come with their school. If your student is not in a feeder school, you will be responsible for drop off and pick up. If you're unsure, ask your elementary school.

### **Hillcrest PAC**

#### **PAC Lunches**

The PAC Lunch schedule is as follows:

Friday May 10<sup>th</sup> – Pizza Hut  
Thursday May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Subway  
Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup> – Sushi Fu

Lunches are available for ordering on [Munchalunch](#).

#### **PAC Meetings**

Our next PAC meeting will be **May 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm** on Zoom. We encourage all parents to join us using this link: [Zoom Meeting](#)

By taking part in PAC meetings, you will connect with the Hillcrest Middle parents' community and learn about events & activities that are happening at school this school year. You can find future PAC meeting dates, minutes and fundraising information at [Hillcrest PAC](#)



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### **PAC Donations**

Please consider donating to our PAC. Donate online through School Cash Online. Any donations over \$25 will receive a receipt from the District.

Fundraising initiatives from the PAC provides students with additional resources throughout the year. These resources include live performances and presentations.

Scheduled performances this year include:

David Jonsson – A professional skateboarder, David Jonsson shares his story of overcoming the physical and emotional scars of surviving a plane crash. His story focuses on resiliency and relying on a community to help in overcoming obstacles.

Metaphor - Metaphor is a crew of hip hop artists who build community empowerment and social justice through performance and facilitation. Using the hip hop arts--DJing, Breakdancing & Emceeing--Metaphor members have performed and lead workshops globally, to hundreds of schools and community groups. The Metaphor crew are experts at inspiring youth - they are always ready to rock shows and grow hearts.

Dumpsta Dragons is a unique Asian duet who have performed hundreds of shows for children throughout BC and Saskatchewan. Alvin Ramos is a recognized grand master of the Japanese Shakuhachi and has also trained extensively on the didgeridoo with aboriginal masters in Australia. Andrew Kim has toured the world with Delhi2dublin, studied sitar in India under a master, and has toured with numerous African bands. He was also featured on an album by Raffi and has been the subject of 3 CBC documentaries. Together they bring joy and inspiration to children with their unique blend of traditional and homemade instruments!

The fundraising initiatives also help provide buses to transport students to and from field trips so that students can extend their knowledge and experience outside the classroom. These funds assist in purchasing equipment to support extra curricular activities. This year's focus will be on purchasing a new portable scoreboard for our athletic teams to use in the gym.

### **PAC Social Media**

Join the "Hillcrest Middle School Parents (Coquitlam)" Facebook page and keep up to date with PAC events and announcements.