



Home of the Mighty Voyageurs

PITT RIVER NEWS

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From the Principal

Construction Update:

The excavation phase is proceeding nicely; it is amazing how much the base has been raised behind the school! Thanks so much to all parents for adhering to the new traffic regulations. There has been a notable improvement of late.

Talent Show:

We recently held our annual talent show. Thanks to the Grade 8 teachers for organizing this event! Once again the students entertained everyone with their amazing and diverse displays of talent. Even more impressive, though, was how enthusiastic and supportive the rest of the students were toward the performers. Each and every act was treated to roaring applause when they completed their performance. Just another example of how great and accepting our kids are at PITT.

2012-2013 Calendar:

Key dates are currently being entered into next year's calendar which can be accessed on the school website. Just

click on 'On the Calendar' on the right side of the page.

**Note: There will be no 'I' Days next year.

Incoming Grade 6s:

Ms Becker and I had the privilege of visiting Central, Mary Hill and Kilmer this month in order to meet our incoming grade 6 students. What a great group! They were all so excited about next year, particularly about having lockers and eating at the cafeteria J

We are also expecting a number of students from out of our catchment area, particularly those coming to PITT for the Late French Immersion program. On June 14th from 9 am to 12 pm, we will be hosting all of the incoming Grade 6s for "Grade 6 for ½ a day." During this time students will be able to tour around the school, meet teachers, learn about programs, and have a hot dog lunch. We look forward to seeing everyone!

DATE: April 26 2012

CALENDAR 2011 - 12

(Reminder to check your Fridge Magnet regularly)

June 4 - Pro D Day (NO SCHOOL)

June 13 - PAC Mtg, 7:00pm

June 14 - Grade 5s as Grade 6s for ½ Day

June 18 - "I" letters home

June 21 - Core and Feeder school band concert at 1:00pm

No evening performance

June 26 - Last day of classes

(1:15pm Dismissal)

**Gr. 8 Leaving ceremony
10:00 - 12:00, & Gr. 8 BBO
from 12:00—1:30pm**

June 27 - "I" Day

June 28 - Report card pickup at 9:00am

SUMMER VACATION BEGINS!!!

*School resumes Tuesday,
September 4th., 9:00—9:30am*

PITT RIVER STUDENT WINS CHILD RUN T-SHIRT LOGO CONTEST



Taylor Kristmanson won the childrun t-shirt logo contest!! Check out her shirt! All childrun participants will be wearing her logo on Sunday, June 3rd!

Her logo was selected from hundreds of schools and entries from all over the lower mainland.

Michelle, Taylor's friend, would like everyone to know that Taylor used her felts to create the logo...

We are so proud...

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FROM YOUR PAC

Just a reminder from the PAC that the draw date for the raffle of an IPAD2 is Friday, June 1st. Please sell, sell, sell and return all sold stubs with payment, and/or unsold tickets to the office by May 31st. ***If you haven't got a ticket you haven't got a chance!!!***

SCHOOL NEWS

As we head into the final month of school, the Wolverines have some great outdoor activities planned.



- Next week, we will spend a day having our own track and field meet which will include high jump, long jump, shot put, discus and sprints.
- In the week after that, we will be going to Buntzen Lake to take part in various activities with students from Gleneagle Secondary's COAST program. Our students will get the opportunity to go canoeing, do some orienteering and participate in different team building games.
- Finally, at the end of June, we will take the team to Lions Park for a day of fun.

It's going to be a fantastic month!

TRADING POST

Just a reminder that **ALL STUDENTS** are welcome to have breakfast in the Trading Post beginning at 8:00am every morning. Very yummy breakfast!!!!

LEADERSHIP

Leadership is currently doing a "Guess the # of Jellybeans" contest! There are 3 different sized jars to guess and the winner gets to keep the jellybeans! Come down to the cafeteria to place your guess. Campaign ends Friday. All proceeds will be evenly divided between MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) and the SPCA to support animals in a shelter.

Also, thank you to everyone who participated or supported the Vow of Silence in any way. We are getting very close to raising the full \$5000 needed to build a clean water system for a village in Kenya. Great job Pitt River!

The Grizzlies Team has been very busy.



- Mr Lum and Mrs. Ternan's classes went on a field trip to explore ancient civilizations and got to see a real mummy!
- Mme. Manton and Mlle. Mazzei's classes went on a field trip to Chinatown to learn more about that area's rich history.

We would also like to congratulate **Daria Elrick, Vassilina Kazarina, Kenneth Songo, Zini Bobb** and **Alyssa Ma** for their fantastic performances in the talent show!

LIBRARY NEWS

The Library continues to be a busy place. The books are flying off the shelves but they are not always flying back. Please have a look around your house to see if your child has any books that need to be returned. All books need to be returned by June 16th.

Students will still be able to read the books while they are in the Library.

If you have any Campbell's soup labels please send them in. Thanks to those who did this for me.

BAND AND CHOIR

The Pitt River Middle band will be performing for the feeder schools and core classes on Thursday, June 21st at 1:00pm in the Gym. Parents and family members are invited to attend. There will be no evening performance this year.



NEIGHBOURHOOD HAPPENINGS

PITT RIVER CHILDRUN

Are you looking for a great reason to go for a run and do a good deed at the same time? Well, look no further. Join the fight against childhood cancer by signing up with the Pitt River Middle Childrun team. This annual run takes place:

When: Sunday, June 3rd

Where: BC Children's Hospital.

You can sign-up at: <https://secure.bcchf.ca/SuperheroPages/team.cfm?Event=ChildRun&Team=5298>

KIDSPORT TRI-CITIES BI-ANNUAL USED EQUIPMENT SALE

KidSport Tri-Cities is holding their much anticipated **Bi-annual Used Equipment Sale, presented by Westminster Savings:**

When: Saturday, August 18th from 10am until 2pm

Where: Coquitlam Main Arena

Located at: Poirier Sport and Leisure Complex
633 Poirier Ave.

Admission is by donation or item for the food bank

If you or your family is into sports, **we will save you money!** A huge variety of quality used sporting goods at incredible prices. Everything from bikes and hockey gear to fitness equipment and wetsuits and everything in between. You can outfit a child for hockey (including skates and a helmet) for \$100. Lacrosse (including a stick and helmet) for \$90. Plus, there's no HST. All proceeds go to subsidize registration fees for kids from low income families.

To make this event a huge success KidSport needs equipment! **Families are encouraged to donate and drop off their used sporting goods of any kind from August 4th - 17th at the following locations:**

- Port Coquitlam Rec Centre
- Port Moody Rec Centre
- Poirier Sport and Leisure Complex
- Thriftopolis - D-2579 Lougheed Hwy, Port Coquitlam

As well, from **July 4-Aug 15** in front of the offices at:

- Centennial Secondary, 570 Poirier St. Coquitlam
- Gleneagle Secondary, 1195 Lansdowne, Coquitlam

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NEIGHBOURHOOD HAPPENINGS.../CONTD.

Summer Fun! Art Camps for Middle School Kids at Place des Arts

July 3 – August 10

Youth ages 12 to 14 are invited to immerse themselves in a variety of visual and performing art intensives at Place des Arts this summer. Week-long classes designed specifically with this age group in mind allow youth to fully explore their chosen art form.

This summer features week-long, three-hour classes in Mask Creation & Exploration (drama), Stop-Motion Animation, Comics Writing, Mixed-Media Painting, Digital Photography, Jewellery Design, and Stage Combat. The Summer Clay Intensive is back for three, week-long sessions, while for those passionate about singing, dancing and acting the centre offers a **full-day**, week-long Musical Theatre Intensive and a half-day Voice Workshop designed to build singing skills. For more information and to register online, visit www.placedesarts.ca or register in person at Place des Arts, 1120 Brunette Ave., Coquitlam.

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SUMMER ART LESSONS

Join after school art instructor Judy Osiowy at her studio/gallery in Port Coquitlam (www.wallflowersandbeyond.com) for summer fun with drawing, painting, and mixed media classes. Emphasis will be placed on skill building through technique. Call 778 836 5454 for more information. Starts 1st week in July