



## Scott Creek Middle School

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### Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

On behalf of the Scott Creek staff, Ms. Castonguay our Vice –Principal and I would like to welcome both our returning and new students and families! We are looking forward to meeting you and working with your children this year. Scott Creek is a wonderful place for your children to explore a variety of learning opportunities, discover their strengths and passions and enjoy a sense of community. We encourage our students to get involved in a variety of school activities to enhance their middle school experience.

During the first week of school our students will be involved in Foundation Week activities. They will learn the routines of their community, attend a welcome back assembly, and gel as a group through activities such as designing their community logo.

Early in September each student will bring home an **Information Package** with forms that need to be filled out and returned to their homeroom teacher. Also included in the package will be information about forms to be completed online, school fees, and Community T-shirts. Please take the time to read the information carefully and return all forms as soon as possible.

Our office will be open Monday, August 27th to Friday, August 31st from 9:00am - 3:00pm to register new students and to assist students and parents who have any questions or concerns. If your child will not be returning to Scott Creek, please call our office at (604 945-0156) to let us know.

On Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm, Ms. Castonguay and I will be hosting an informal school tour for students registering during this week and for those new students who would like another look around the school before the year starts.

Kind regards,

*Lisa Rinke*  
Principal

*Colleen Castonguay*  
Vice Principal

# WELCOME TO SCOTT CREEK MIDDLE

## **How will our first day look?**

On Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> community placement lists will be displayed at the front entrance of Scott Creek Middle School. All students will be assigned to one of six communities: Grizzlies, Penguins, Wolves, Foxes, GOATS or Panthers. Students will be listed alphabetically on Community lists.

Students will be placed in classes within the community during the first week of school. Our goal is to develop balanced, educationally sound classes. **Much time and discussion is involved in the placement of each student and several factors are considered including gender balance, academics, learning needs, and social and emotional development.** With all these factors considered, every effort is made to ensure that the best possible educational placement is made for all students. Important information provided by the grade 5 teachers in our feeder schools and your input collected on the parent articulation form helped us to place our new grade 6 students. We have also spent a great deal of time reviewing the placement of our current students into classes for the next year.

## **Your First Day at Scott Creek Middle School - Tuesday, September 4, 2018**

### **All grade 6 Students**

**Start Time:** 9:30 am                      **End Time:** 10:00 am

### **All grade 7 and 8 Students**

**Start Time:** 10:30 am                      **End Time:** 11:00 am

**PARKING:** We strongly encourage students to walk to school on Tuesday and every day. If you plan to come with your student on Tuesday, please park on a side street or at Eagleridge Pool and walk with your student. Parking at our school is very limited – DO NOT PARK IN THE DRIVE THRU LANES. If you plan to use the drive thru – please adhere to drop off procedures to ensure that our students are safe. DRIVE SLOWLY – PULL AS FAR AHEAD AS POSSIBLE TO KEEP TRAFFIC MOVING – WATCH OUT FOR STUDENTS IN DESIGNATED CROSSWALKS – PLEASE FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BY STAFF IN THE DRIVE THRU.

As the students arrive at Scott Creek Middle, staff will be outside to greet students, ensure they know their community and to direct them to their community meeting area.

Please let your student know if they are confused or lost, simply ask an adult and they will help you.

At the end of Tuesday's attendance and brief meeting, teachers will tell their community where to meet and what supplies to bring on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. School will start on Wednesday at 8:35 am for all students and will go until 3:00 pm. A variety of community activities are planned for the first week of school. Students are reminded to bring a recess snack and lunch on Wednesday as it is a full day.

### **School Supplies:**

Please find Scott Creek's 2018 – 2019 School Supply Lists (Neighborhood, Mandarin Bilingual and Montessori) under the parent tab on our school website:

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/scottcreek/Pages/default.aspx>

*We are looking forward to the start of another exciting school year...  
see you in September!*