



Cape Horn News

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Our PAC (Parent Advisory Committee) is working on making this year's Spring Carnival a whopping success. We hope everyone is planning to attend this "Fun"d raiser for our school. It really is a great way to have some family fun, meet your neighbours and help the school, all at the same time! They are still looking for parents that can help for an hour or so at one of the stations, selling tickets, running games or cooking. Please complete the volunteer form on the website:

www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/capehorn under "Publications—CH Carnival Poster Volunteers" and follow the link to sign up for a volunteer time.

Also the PAC will be meeting next Wednesday, May 7th, (postponed from April 30th) in the school library at 7:00 pm. There will be one more PAC meeting on May 28th, called the Annual General Meeting, at which time they hope to elect

a new slate of officers; please consider offering your time, energy and support to this partnership in your children's education.

As we wind down the year, we have many events, outings and activities taking place each and every week from now until the end of June, and as usual, you are invited to attend and/or help out at any of them. Please continue to watch for notices coming home about classroom and school activities. Your positive support and presence is valued by students and staff alike.

Don't forget to swing by for a coffee and a treat at our Parent Appreciation Drive Thru on May 30th (see pg. 3 for more info).



Thank you for finding the time to read this newsletter.

Bill McGovern
Principal



Learning the Voyage
of Discovery

Our Mission Statement:

To provide a safe, caring and challenging environment so that students will be prepared for their lifelong "Voyage of Discovery"

Pro-D

Thursday, June 26th



STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND
SCHOOL

NEXT PAC MEETINGS:

Wednesday, May 7th

and

(AGM) Wednesday, May 28th

7:00 p.m.

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arrange to have it translated

此為重要文件,請翻譯成中文,

이것은 매우 중요한 서류입니다. 정확한 번역을 부탁드립니다.

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LO MAS PRONTO POSIBLE.

To jest ważny dokument. Prosimy o przetłumaczenie go.

CALENDAR



MAY	MAY (cont'd)
2	Div's 4 & 5 field trip to Greater Vanc. Zoo
5	Class photos @ 9:00 a.m.
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hot Dog day (gr. 5 fundraiser) Hotdogs \$2.00, juice/chips \$1.00 each PAC Meeting 7:00 p.m. (changed from April 30th)
8	Cultural Performance—Canadian Musical Tour 10:45 a.m.
9	Spring Carnival 3:30—6:30 p.m.
14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Div. 9 field trip "Fly Over Canada" Welcome to Kindergarten/Parent Orientation Meeting 4:00-5:30 p.m.
15-16	Gr. 5 Year End Trip—Timberline Ranch
19	Victoria Day - Schools Closed
21	PAC Hot Lunch Day
22	District Track Meet
23	PAC Treat Day
26-30	School Wide Hip Hop Lessons
28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014/2015 Kindergarten students classroom visit from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. PAC AGM Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
29	2014/2015 Kindergarten students classroom visit from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.
30	Parent Appreciation DriveThru
JUNE	
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Div's 6 & 7 to Grouse Mountain Div. 1,2 & 3 to Fort Langley
5	Div's 8 & 9 to Lynn Canyon Ecology Ctr.
10	Div's 1,2 & 3 to Cultus Lake Waterslides
13	Sports Day
24	Gr. 5 Leaving Ceremony @ 2:00 p.m.
25	Talent Show—10:45 a.m. Last day of school for students
26	Pro-D (School Based) - no school for students

CAPE HORN SCHOOL STUDENT PLACEMENT PROCESS FOR THE 2014 - 2015 SCHOOL YEAR



As the end of this school year approaches, we begin to make plans for September of the next school year. One of those tasks is the assigning of students to classrooms for the following year. As with past years, it is again likely that we will have some split, or combined classes.

Criteria for Placement:

In the process of making student placements, consultation takes place with former and present teachers, the Learning Support personnel, other support personnel as required, and the principal. The principal has the responsibility for final placement of each student. This development of class lists is given a great deal of time, careful thought and understanding with the knowledge teachers have of each student and what will be in the child's best interest.

- .. Academic achievement
- .. Behavior issues
- .. Previous placement history
- .. Parental recommendations
- .. Learning styles
- .. Recommendations of teachers and school-based team
- .. Instructional groupings
- .. Teaching styles
- .. Class composition
- .. Social groupings
- .. Class size

With respect to combined/split classes, please remember that combined classes are a fact of school life, and are more the norm than the exception. As a matter of information, this year we had only two straight classes. We are very confident that the students in these classes receive a full and rich academic program at their grade level.

We will re-assess the class organization after the fall registration period as we become aware of any enrolment changes that have taken place over the summer months. Please be aware that our September classroom assignments are tentative and that temporary classroom assignments will not be posted before the first day of school in September.

Parent input is also considered provided that it is received in writing/email to the principal, Mr. B. McGovern, before May 31st, 2014. Please note that the focus of parent letters should be about their own children and should be based on sound educational reasons. Please keep in mind that requests must be related to your child's specific learning needs and style. Only sound educational reasons will be considered at the placement meetings. Due to many placement factors and the allowable class size, we may not be able to accommodate all requests. Requests for specific teachers or suggestions regarding the placement of other children should respectfully be avoided. While we guarantee that all parent input will be given careful consideration, we cannot promise that all requests can be met.

NEXT YEAR'S SCHOOL CALENDAR

Start pre-planning for next year ... see page 6 of this newsletter for next year's pro-d days, Christmas vacation, 2015 spring break dates and other non-school dates.



PLANS FOR SEPTEMBER?



Please inform the school office (604.526.4428) or your child's teacher, if you are certain your child(ren) will not be returning to Cape Horn in September. We would like to have this information as soon as possible, as it will help us organize classes for next year. If you know of families new to our area, please encourage them to register as soon as possible. As of today, we have 34 students registered for Kindergarten next year. If you know of any friends or neighbours who have a child turning five during the 2014 year who has not registered for Kindergarten as of yet, please remind them to do so.

It is very helpful to us in planning staffing and class organization if we are able to determine approximately what our student population will be for the fall.

GRADE 5 STUDENTS VISIT MONTY

The Grade 5 students will be visiting Montgomery Middle School on Thursday, June 5th. They will walk over to the middle school around 9:30 a.m. with the counselor and youth worker from Monty and return to Cape Horn around noon.



PRO-D DAY - JUNE 26th



Please remember that Thursday, June 26th is a Non-Instructional Day for Cape Horn. Therefore the last day of school for the students is Wednesday, June 25th.

SPRING CARNIVAL



The much anticipated Spring Fair is coming up on Friday, May 9th after school (3:30 to 6:30) This will be a fun event in which the community is welcome to participate, and one that we are all looking forward to! Profit from The Fair will support laptop computers/ipads for our students.

The Spring Fair Committee is extending this invitation/challenge to our families to enter the cake decorating contest. Use your imagination and see what you can come up with!!

Cakes will be judged with a prize for the winning cake. All cakes will be donated to our "Cake Walk". Cakes should be brought to the school on the morning of the carnival.



They are still in need of volunteers to help out with this event. Please follow the link below to sign up for a time/event. Please go to our website and open the CH Carnival Poster 2014 Volunteers and follow the link to sign up for a time/event.

Volunteers will receive a voucher for pizza, pop and letter for service hours .

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN (WTK)/ PARENT MEETING FOR NEW K'S

Wednesday, May 14, 2014 - 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

You and your child are invited to attend a workshop at Cape Horn Elementary where you will receive early learning and literacy resources as part of the Welcome to Kindergarten Program and learn strategies for using the resources with your child.

The goal of WTK is to provide pre-school children with the resources and experiences to begin their formal education with a foundation in early learning and literacy that is nurtured in your home.



SUNNY WEATHER ATTIRE



With some days being warm, children's footwear and clothing is changing. Running shoes change to sandals and flip flops. I have been told that in past years bees tend to congregate in the clover (and our fields are one big clover patch) so open-toed shoes do create a greater risk for bee stings. As well, teachers often take their classes out for a break, and shoes that are conducive to running and active play are necessary. Also please make sure that your child is wearing clothing appropriate for school; we encourage all children to wear 'business-like' attire to school; no spaghetti straps (tanks tops with two-finger width straps are acceptable) or bare tummies please, and skirts and shorts must not be shorter than the tips of your fingers when your arms are at your sides. This removes any concerns regarding underwear showing while on the climbing equipment. Remember to lather your children with sunscreen and send hats!!



PARENT APPRECIATION DRIVE-THRU



The entire staff are very grateful to our parent community for their contributions and support throughout this past year. We would like to show our appreciation by inviting parents/guardians to join us for a "Drive Thru" treat in the school parking lots on Friday, May 30th - 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

COMO LAKE RELAYS

Congratulations to the following grade three, four and five students that trained and participated in the Annual Como Lake Relays last month. Our Grade 3,4, & 5 students had been faithfully training for weeks, through all kinds of weather. All of the Cape Horn runners were prepared and gave their best as they ran the 1.2 km loop around Como Lake. All participants received participation ribbons and the top 9 finishers were awarded rosettes to take back to their schools. Cape Horn received a 7th and a 9th place finish from our two Grade 5 girls' teams. Congratulations to all our teams...we are very proud of you!

Grade 3 Girls	Grade 3 Boys	Grade 4 Girls
Makenna	Brenden	Gabriella
Kiera	Tristen	Sanela
Sofia	Justin	
Grade 4 Boys	Grade 5 Girls	Grade 5 Boys
Matteo	Chloe	Theo
Lucas	Charlotte	Will
	Vienna	Jeremy
	Cassie	Kamil
	Kiah	Mika
	Eva	Trevor
	Cassidy	
	Bella	
	Jenica	
	Ella	
	April	



YEAR END ASSEMBLY



Our year-end leaving ceremony will take place on Tuesday, June 24th at 2:00 pm in the gym. The focus will be on the Grade 5 students as we say goodbye and wish them good luck as they venture into middle school.

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Check out the website for news
and announcements!

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elementary/capehorn](http://public.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/capehorn)

Class Photos

Class/Grade 5 Group
photos have been
scheduled for Monday,
May 5th at 9:00 a.m.



STUDENT REPORTER

Earth Day

Cape Horn loves Earth Day! We held a conference on Earth Day with workshops, assemblies and a walk-a-thon. At our first assembly, Mr. Fin Donnelly came to talk to us. He said he swam down the Fraser River and across Georgia Strait. He said they were getting polluted. He wanted to make a difference for our earth, which is very important ... so he become a politician.

After that, we had four stations that we all rotated through - kite making, Power Conservation by Mr. Sands, Bees by Ms. Agnes from the City of Coquitlam and an Earth Day Jeopardy game.

To get our exercise, we had a walk-a-thon. For 30 minutes to an hour, all the students walked to raise money for ipads. Way to go Cape Horn!

After that we walked again! But this time, we walked around the block to pick up garbage for "Pitch in Canada". Now our block is spotless!

The Rights Squad did an amazing job on the Earth Day play, "Earth Day at Cherry Hill Elementary". In the play, Mother Earth taught the Principal, Mr. Scowler, how important it is to take care of our earth.

Mrs. Braidwood's class was so cute when they sang "Baby Beluga" and Miss Mehra's class did "What a Wonderful World", which made you think ... This is a Wonderful World! Mrs. Atwal's class also did a great job singing "Healthier We'll Be". We ended the assembly with the Grade 4/5 Choir singing "Planet Earth". What a great way to end the assembly!

Cape Horn made an amazing Earth Day celebration because Cape Horn loves the Earth!



By Ella

PAC NEWS

PAC AGM Meeting May 28th

The Cape Horn PAC AGM is on May 28th and the PAC will be approving the budget for 2014-2015 and electing our new executive council for next year. All parents are members of the PAC and are welcome at meetings. Parents are crucial contributors to the success of their children's schools, and several of the key positions will be vacant as parents move on to the middle school. We need more parents to be involved in the school, volunteering their time and making decisions to benefit our students' development. Show your school spirit and support by attending this very important PAC meeting of this school year. Your time will be well spent.



GRADE 3 SWIM

The City of Coquitlam and School District 43 Community Connections are providing the program "Swim to Survive" at Spani Pool. Students will be transported by bus for three free swims during instruction time.

We are very fortunate to have our Grade 3 students participate in this very worthwhile program.



SPORTS DAY: June 13th



We are hoping that the sun will shine as we all look forward to getting outside on this very exciting day! Many activities are planned throughout the day for all students. Please remember to "slip, slap, slop" that is; slip on a shirt, slap on a hat and slop on the sunscreen. We also recommend students bring a water bottle. Watch for info to come home in June.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SCHOOL DISTRICT #43 COMMUNITY SCHOOL'S: SUMMER DAY CAMP 2014

Port Coquitlam Community School is pleased to offer Summer Day Camp Programs from July 2nd to August 8th 2014. Camps will be held at the following Port Coquitlam School locations:

WHERE: CENTRAL SCHOOL: 2260 Central Avenue, Port Coquitlam

DATES: JULY 2 TO AUG 8

TIME: 9:00 AM – 2:45 PM (DOORS OPEN 8:45 AM & PICK UP BY 2:45 PM)

AGE OF CAMPERS: 6 YEARS TO 12 YEARS

ONLINE PAYMENTS ACCEPTED: VISA OR MASTERCARD OR INTERAC/DEBIT

PAPER REGISTRATIONS: CASH AND CHEQUES

CONTACTS: Central Camp Programmer: dbelskaya@sd43.bc.ca

How to Register

Registration will be online. The registration for early bird opens on Friday, March 14th 2014 and will close Thursday, April 11th 2014. The regular registration will open Friday, April 12th 2014. Our Community School Summer Day Camp Registration is now online and will accept payment using Visa; MasterCard or Interac/Debit from most major banks. You can get instant confirmation of your spots in the summer day camp at the location you choose. You will require an email address in order to get your confirmation # and print out a receipt for your payment. To register online please visit the Central Community School website then click on Community Programs, which will lead to the Summer Camp Registration button. Karelo provides the online registration service. If you do not wish to register online please visit Central Community School website then click on

Community Programs, which will lead to the Summer Camp Registration forms. Please print and fill out the forms. Return the forms with payment either cash or cheque made payable to Central Community School to the Central Community School office.

If you have any questions please contact: Dasha Belskaya (Community School Programmer) at dbelskaya@sd43.bc.ca



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SD43 COQUITLAM CONTINUING Education COQUITLAM OPEN Learning

> **Elementary Program**
Grades 1 to 5
July 8 – 25
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Bramblewood
Heritage Mountain
Pinetree Way

Glen
Miller Park
Porter Street

Visit our website for complete Elementary,
Middle and Secondary Program information.
www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca



Cape Horn Elementary School

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2014 - 2015

Schools Open	Tuesday, September 2
Non-Instructional Day	Friday, September 19
(Common District Day)	
Thanksgiving	Monday, October 13
Non-Instructional Day	Friday, October 24
(Common Provincial Day)	
School Not In Session	Monday, November 10
Remembrance Day.....	Tuesday, November 11
Schools Close for Winter Vacation	Friday, December 19
Winter Vacation	December 22 – January 2
Schools Reopen After Winter Vacation.....	Monday, January 5
Non-Instructional Day	Monday, January 26
(School Based Day)	
BC Family Day	Monday, February 9
Non-Instructional Day	Friday, February 20
(Common District Day)	
Schools Close for Spring Vacation	Friday, March 6
Spring vacation period	March 9 - March 20
Schools re-open After Spring Vacation.....	Monday, March 23
Good Friday.....	Friday, April 3
Easter Monday.....	Monday, April 6
Non-Instructional Day	Friday, April 17
(Common District Day)	
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18
Non-Instructional Day	Friday, June 19
(School Based Day)	
Last day of school for all students.....	Thursday, June 25
Administrative Day.....	Friday, June 26