



Cape Horn News

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January, 2015

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Welcome Back...and Happy 2015 to all! During the past four months at Cape Horn a solid foundation of student learning and achievement has been established. Staff, students and families are continually working together to further develop and broaden each child's learning. With such a strong foundation there is no doubt that 2015 will bring many exciting learning opportunities to all those in the Cape Horn community.

Some things to look forward to in 2015: Clothing Drive ongoing until the end of January, Kindergarten Registration, Poker Night, Jump Rope for Heart, field trips, running club, monthly PAC meetings, and of course lots of learning for all!

I look forward to experiencing many of these events with staff, students and families of Cape Horn!

Thank you for your continued support of student learning at our school.

Your Proud Principal,
Bill McGovern



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"



CALENDAR	
JANUARY	
14	Banting Middle Late French Immersion Info visit - Grade 5's
16	PAC Ice Cream Day
21	PAC Hot Lunch Day
26	Pro-D (School Based) - no school for students
28	PAC Meeting @ 7:15 pm - Library
29	Registration for Place Maillardville Afterschool Programs - 2:45 front foyer (more info on pg 3)
30	PAC Treat Day
FEBRUARY	
3-5	2015/2016 Kindergarten Registration
9	B.C. Family Day - schools closed
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PAC Treat Day (pudding & hearts) Wear Red/White/Pink for Valentine's Day
16	Div's 8 & 9 to Vanc. Aquarium
18	Cape Horn Public Speaking Assembly
20	Pro-D (District wide) - no school for students
25	PAC Meeting @ 7:15 p.m. Library
26	PAC Hot Lunch Day
27	PAC Poker Night
28	Bottle Drive



Pro-D
(School Based)
Monday, January 26th

STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL

2015-2016
KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION

February 3rd, 4th & 5th
(see pages 2 & 6 for details regarding documentation requirements)

NEXT PAC MEETING

January 28th @ 7:15
the school library

Please join us!

This is an important document. Please 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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ESTE ES UN DOCUMENTO MUY IMPORTANTE.POR FAVOR, TRATE DE QUE SE LO TRANSLADEN AL ESPAÑOL LO MAS PRONTO POSIBLE.

To jest ważny dokument. Prosimy o przetłumaczenie go.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The 2015-2016 Kindergarten registration dates are **February 3rd, 4th, and 5th**. Parents with children who are five years of age by December 31, 2015 may enter school in September 2015.



To register, please bring along the following documentation:

- Proof of citizenship for parent & child (**one of**): birth certificate; passport; PR Card; Canadian Citizenship Card.
- Proof of BC residency for parent (**one of**): rental contract; property purchase contract; income tax statement; property tax statement; and (**two of**): utility bill; BC driver's licence; BC vehicle registration; Canadian bank or credit card statement; BC ID.
- Proof of Guardianship-paper birth certificate (where parents are named); income tax statement (eg: child tax credit). If parents live separately, court order or written agreement.

For Non-Residents of B.C., please contact the International Education Department at 604-936-5769.

If you are considering EARLY FRENCH IMMERSION (kindergarten entry) in September, 2015 please visit the District website at www.sd43.bc.ca for dates, times and locations of parent information meetings. **Please be advised that registration for Early French Immersion will be done online from January 15-22, 2015** For more info on French Programs, please call Ms. Sophie Bergeron at 604-937-6392.

If parents want their children to be registered at another school, but reside in the Cape Horn Elementary catchment, they must first register at Cape Horn and then complete a cross-catchment transfer form beginning February 6th @ 9:00 a.m. and ending on February 18th @ 4:30 p.m. The electronic version of the application form can be accessed through the District website (www.sd43.bc.ca). Paper forms will also be available at all schools as of February 6th at 9:00 a.m. All completed forms must be returned in person or by mail to the School District Office at 550 Poirier Street, Coquitlam, V3J 6A7 by the closing date. **Faxed or emailed copies will not be accepted.**

We will also need phone numbers for:

- Home, work, cell, Doctor's office, personal health number, babysitting/daycare
- 2 alternates in case of emergency (every effort is made to contact parents/guardians first)

If neighbours ask you when they should let us know that they will be coming to our school in the fall, please let them know they should do it right away. Our staffing is based on the number of students we project for September, and we can do a better job of this if people register right away. Please help spread the word - every child counts.



LATE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM

The Late French Immersion program is offered at Banting, Pitt River Middle, and Moody Middle Schools and is open to any student in Grade 5 who is a resident of School District No. 43.

If you are considering **LATE FRENCH IMMERSION** in September, 2015 you are invited to attend an information meeting to learn about the program. Meetings will take place at:

MOODY MIDDLE SCHOOL

3115 St. Johns Street, Port Moody

Wednesday, January 14th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

BANTING MIDDLE SCHOOL

820 Banting Drive, Coquitlam

Monday, January 19th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

PITT RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL

2070 Tyner Street, Port Coquitlam

Tuesday, January 20th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Registration for Late French Immersion will be done online from Jan. 21-28, 2015. Registration forms will be available online only starting January 21st @ 9:00 a.m.

READY, SET, LEARN



School District 43 is pleased to offer a free **Ready, Set, Learn** event for families and their three-year olds in the East Coquitlam neighborhood of schools. Children will be able to participate in a variety of play based learning activities, listen to stories and have a healthy snack. Parents will be able to learn and play with their child as well as meet with local community agencies and school principals. Each child will receive a free age appropriate book. Parents are encouraged to take the time to read it with their child, talk about the illustrations and have fun spending time together.

Parents will receive ideas for fun learning activities that promote the healthy development of young children, additional information regarding community services and neighbourhood schools. There will also be a fact sheet from the Ministry of Education website which includes a link to a parent booklet, **Ready, Set, Learn: Helping Your Preschooler Get Ready for School**, which offers parents helpful tips for supporting their preschooler's learning and development. Translations of the booklet are also available in 12 languages. The **Ready, Set, Learn** initiative, sponsored by the B.C. Ministry of Education provides families with an opportunity to make positive connections with the school system and local community agencies.

Cape Horn Elementary's Ready, Set, Learn event will take place at:
Meadowbrook Elementary School on Friday, February 6th, 2015
from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

LATE MONTESSORI REGISTRATION AT MONTGOMERY

If you are considering Montessori program at middle school for September, 2015, you are invited to an information meeting at Montgomery Middle, 1900 Edgewood Avenue, on Wednesday, January 21st at 7:00 pm. Please contact Mr. Rob McFaul at 604-939-7367 or Montgomery@sd43.bc.ca or Mr. Rob Foot at 604-945-0156 or ScottCreek@sd43.bc.ca for further information.

FRUIT AND VEGGIE SNACK PROGRAM

Please note that the following fruits and vegetables are scheduled for the upcoming weeks:



Week of January 12th - apples

Week of February 16th - anjou pears

Week of March 2nd - snap peas



If you wish, for any reason, that your child not participate in the snack program on any of the above weeks, please notify the school office at 604-526-4428.

WEATHER DAYS



In the event of heavy snow, ice or extreme temperatures, a decision on school closures will take place as soon as possible after 6:30 a.m. that day.

- Check the district website at www.sd43.bc.ca after 6:30 a.m.
- Be sure to hit Refresh when checking back
- The district website posting is official
- Tune in to CKWX 1130 AM, CKNW 980 AM or CBC 690 AM for updates.



If parents believe the local conditions are unsafe, they should keep their child(ren) at home. **Please do not call the school to request information about closure**, as staff are attempting to make it to work under adverse conditions and may be trying to call in their location. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

PLAYING OUTSIDE

We believe it is important for children to run and play during recess and noon breaks. Providing children with outdoor play opportunities allows them to burn some pent up energy, get some fresh air and feel revitalized for learning. During the cold winter months, we are obviously very careful in making decisions about whether or not our students will go outdoors. Just prior to each break period, we check the weather in order to determine the latest information respecting temperatures and wind chill factors. However, we encourage you to dress your child appropriately for our 'wet' coast climate: mitts/gloves, boots, a warm winter coat (with a hood or a toque).



Please help us keep them dry by ensuring they have a full change of clothing kept at school.



PLACE MAILLARDVILLE AFTERSCHOOL WINTER PROGRAMS

Registration forms will be sent home with the students next week for the winter session of Sports and Games (Gr K-2) & Sports and More (Gr 3-5). The registration will take place on Thursday, January 29th at 2:45 p.m. in the front foyer of the school. You must register in person. Please bring the completed waiver form with you at time of registration. The school office will not be collecting waivers. The registration may open early based on volume.

Sports and More - Grades 3-5

Join us for a variety of sports & games!

Gym: 3:00- 4:30 pm—Tuesdays



Sports and Games - Grades K-2

Join us for a variety of sports & games!

Gym: 3:00- 4:30 pm—Thursdays

IN CASE YOU'RE WONDERING ABOUT GRADE 4 FSA'S ...

Who? What? When? Where? Grade 4 student provincial reading comprehension, writing, and numeracy assessment will take place this month in our grade 4 classroom. Comprehension and Numeracy components consist of multiple choice and open ended questions. The writing component consists of first drafts of two writing assignments.

Why? FSA provides a "snapshot" of how well BC students are attaining foundation skills. It helps answer important questions such as:

- Are students learning vital skills they will need later?
- Are there any trends in student performance at the school, district and provincial levels?

Then What? Results will be returned to districts and schools for planning purposes next fall. Each student's individual results will be sent to schools. They will be shared with students and parents, along with other information about the student's performance.

The School Planning Council (SPC) reviews results as part of the work on our school goal planning.

If you want more information, visit the Ministry's Assessment website: www.bced.gov.bc.ca/assessment or contact Mr. McGovern.

EARLY DISMISSAL/STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 3rd and Thursday, March 5th. On these days students will be dismissed at 2:00 p.m. so that teachers, parents and students can meet together for student-led conferences. More information will be coming home in February.



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION SATISFACTION SURVEYS FOR GRADE 4'S

All Grade 4 students will be completing the Ministry of Education Satisfaction Surveys online at school. Grade 4 parents have been asked to complete their surveys online as well this year. A letter with instructions for parents will be sent home. If you do not receive this letter, please contact the office.

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and announcements!
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Spring Break 2015

Mark the following dates for
Spring Break on your calendars:

March 9—March 20, 2015
(Back to school on March 23rd)

School District 43 is going Green!

"Food isn't waste, so put it in its place"



Starting January 2015, School District No.43 (Coquitlam) is joining Municipalities, public and private organizations throughout Metro Vancouver to reduce waste in local landfills.

School District No.43 (Coquitlam) is taking action and enforcing the mandate of recycling all organic waste in all District schools, buildings and locations. Bins are presently being rolled out, and staff and students are preparing for the changes. Important in the process is shifting behavior. To do this, the Board of Education is proud to support our "Organic Recycling Awareness Campaign". In this campaign we will disseminate information via school newsletter, social media, digital creatives and scheduled "green focused" events. This campaign will focus on informing students, parents, staff and the community about the on-going effort our schools are contributing to this mandate.

Please watch for further information about organic waste recycling in your area. If you would like to volunteer to support your neighbourhood school with their green waste transition, please contact your school administrator.

PAC News

PAC MEETING

We would like to invite you to our next meeting on Wednesday, January 28 at 7:15 pm in the library. This is the perfect opportunity to visit and to see exactly what things the PAC is doing for our school. We are looking to form a committee for our **Cape Horn Spring Carnival** - more information will be available at the meeting. Your input is valuable and we hope to see you there! We need plenty of volunteers for the carnival to be able to take place. The February meeting is on the 25th.

FUNDRAISING NEWS:

Poker Night:

Come one, Come all - invite your friends and neighbours to this exciting Cape Horn fundraiser on February 27th, 2015! Texas Hold'em Rules apply (see order form on school website under Publications for rules and ticket

order form). \$30/tk gets you \$5,000 worth of chips/cash bar available. Hope to see you there!



Treasure Trays:

The Treasure Tray fundraiser was a smashing success again this year. With the contributions from each division, and all our generous sponsors, the baskets were overflowing with great prizes. We are very grateful to Mrs. Papa and Mrs. Agostino for their hard work running this fundraiser, purchasing items, organizing sponsors, wrapping baskets and selling

tickets. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets! We'll have the total raised in the next newsletter. Congratulations to all the basket winners!

Thank you to the Cape Horn PAC for arranging a surprise visit from Santa Claus on December 19th. Santa was able to visit each classroom and had a candy cane treat for each student.

We would also like to thank you all our Treasure Tray sponsors, we will have a list of the contributors next month.

Pies & Cookies

This fundraiser was very successful again this year. Thank you to everyone for supporting our PAC fundraising!

COMMUNITY NEWS

FINE TUNE YOUR PARENTING SKILLS

(for parents of children aged 5 to 11 years old)



This term ONE parenting class is being offered starting the end of January. Please register ASAP.

How To Talk So Kids Will Listen.....

6 week program begins on Tuesday, January 27th and ends Tuesday, March 3rd at Alderson Elementary:

Time: 7-9 PM.

Book Cost \$20.00 (payable first class)

Facilitated by: Marna Omichinski / Youth Worker

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



Voted Top 3 Best Preschool in Tri-City

Little Neighbours Preschool

155 Finnigan Street

(on the Cape Horn Elementary grounds—Finnigan & Kaptey Streets)

OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, January 24th

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

September 2015 Registration on now!!!

Children turning 3 years by December 31, 2015

can start in September

Children turning 3 by April 30, 2016

can start in January 2016

Call 604-521-5158 to set up an in-class observation



Graduated Adults: Act now to take high school credit courses tuition-free*

Ministry of Education Announcement:

"Beginning May 1, 2015, The Ministry of Education will no longer provide funding to school districts for tuition-free upgrading courses for adults who already hold a high school diploma."

Registration is currently available for the following face-to-face classes which start in February 2015:

- Biology 12
- Communications 11 & 12
- English 12
- Math 11 & 12
- Physics 11 & 12

On-going Registration is also available for the following self-paced courses:

- Biology 11 & 12
- Chemistry 11 & 12
- Communications 11 & 12
- English 11 & 12
- Math 11 & 12
- Physics 11 & 12

For self-paced courses, Graduated Adults must complete at least 5% of the course prior to May 1, 2015 in order to maintain tuition-free* status.

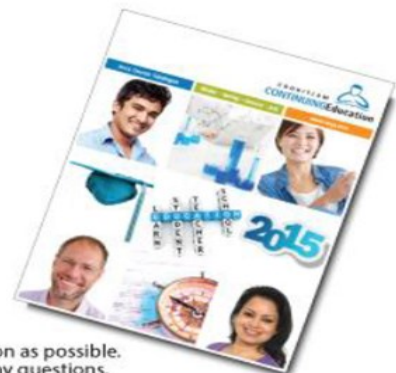
TO REGISTER:

Visit www.ce43.com to create an account and register as soon as possible. Phone Continuing Education at 604.936.4261 if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Graduated Adults will continue to be able to take Literacy Foundations courses (to upgrade English skills) tuition-free*. Adults who have not graduated will continue to be able to take Literacy Foundation courses and High School Credit courses tuition-free*.

*For students that meet Canadian Status and BC Residence eligibility requirements.



Kindergarten Registration for September 2015

When Can My Child Start Kindergarten?

Children who are five years old on or before December 31, 2015 may enter school in September 2015. You may defer your child's enrolment until September 2016.

When Should I Register My Child?

Kindergarten registration (except for Programs of Choice - Montessori, Bilingual Mandarin, Reggio and French Immersion) within School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) will be held on February 3, 4, 5 in all elementary schools. If you are interested in registering your child in one of our Programs of Choice please visit www.sd43.bc.ca for more information on application deadlines and Parent Information meeting locations.

All students must be registered for Kindergarten at their catchment area school. To determine your catchment school access the school locator on the District website. If parents wish their child to attend an out of catchment school they will be provided the opportunity to apply for a cross catchment transfer, beginning on February 6, 2015 with the deadline of February 18, 2015 (visit our website for more information). If enrolment projections show that space is available, cross-catchment transfer applications will be accepted in accordance with the following priorities: (i) catchment area child; (ii) non-catchment area child; and (iii) non-school district child.

Please note that siblings of students who will be in attendance at a school are considered as a catchment area child at that school. Students with sibling status still need to complete a cross catchment form. Please refer to our district website for more information on the cross catchment process.

Can I use my childcare facility address to determine my child's school attendance area?

According to the School Act, enrolment can only be based on the home address.

Should I Bring Anything for Registration?

Please bring the following documents:

Proof of citizenship for parent & child (one of): birth certificate; passport; PR Card; Canadian Citizenship Card.

Proof of B.C. residency for parent (one of): rental contract; property purchase contract; income tax statement; property tax statement; and 2 of the following documents: utility bill; B.C. driver's licence; B.C. vehicle registration; Canadian bank or credit card statement; B.C. ID.

Proof of Guardianship: please refer to 'Funding Eligibility Checklist' on our website or contact your neighbourhood school.

NON-RESIDENTS

Please contact the International Education Department @ 604-936-5769 or visit at 1100 Winslow Ave., Coquitlam. Bring along proof of citizenship for parent and student, proof of residency and proof of guardianship (if applicable).



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43 (COQUITLAM)

Serving the communities of Anmore, Belcarra, Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam & Port Moody

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