

CAPE HORN SCHOOL STUDENT PLACEMENT PROCESS FOR THE 2015-2016 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. 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, 2015 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, 2016 spring break dates and other non-school dates. There are 2 Pro D Days that have not been set by the school yet. An updated calendar will be sent home by the end of May that will include these 2 days.


## 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 40 students registered for Kindergarten next year. If you know of any friends or neighbours who have a child turning five during the 2015 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 Wednesday, May 27th. 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.

## GR. 5 HOT DOG DAY FUNDRAISERS

Wednesday, May 6th and Wednesday, May 20th, will be hot dog days. Hot dogs will be sold at lunchtime for $\$ 2.00$ each and juice boxes for $\$ 1.00$ each. There will be no pre-order forms home. The proceeds will go towards the Grade 5 year end celebration.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR


Our Scholastic Book Fair was a great success! We would like to thank the many parents who took the time to visit the Book Fair. A special thank you goes to Mrs. Papa and Mrs. Agostino who volunteered their time to help out at the Book Fair. Their time and effort was greatly appreciated!
Congratulations to Chenoa from Div. 1 who won a door prize of $\$ 25$ worth of books, Hannah from Div. 4 won $\$ 15$ worth of books and Carson from Div. 7 won $\$ 10$ worth of books. The following students also won prizes/posters:

| Div. 1 | Megan L. <br> Kumayl |
| :---: | :--- |
| Div. 2 | Avril <br> Kyle <br> Div. 3 |
| Connor <br> Taylor |  |
| Div. 4 | Nosa |
| Div. 5 | Aryanna <br> Div. 6 |
| Jeffrey |  |
| Div. 7 | Liza <br> Helena <br> Div. 8 |
| Nevaeh B. |  |
| Div. 9 | Veer |
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## WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN (WTK)/ PARENT MEETING FOR NEW K'S

Wednesday, May 20th - 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.


## PAC MOVIE NIGHT

Reserve May 22nd in the evening for our annual PAC Movie Night. This year's movie is "Paddington". Watch for more information to come home regarding this fun family fundraising event!


## 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 Wednesday, June 3rd - 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 this 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. Congratulations to all our teams... we are very proud of you! Thank you to our coaches, Miss Goodheart and Mrs. Dressel for sponsoring the following students:

## Grade 3 Girls Grade 3 Boys

| Sienna | Alex | Makenna |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Myeisha | Milan | Emily |
|  | Nathan | Avril |

Grade 4 Boys
Grade 5 Girls
Grade 5 Boys

| Michael | Gabriella |
| :--- | :---: |
| Dylan D. | Sanela |
| Brenden | Andreea |
| Tristen |  |
| Ethan |  |
| Justin |  |

Griffin Kumayl Matteo Lucas R. Brendan Jackson Luke

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School Wide Rollerblading Rollerblading lessons will begin the week of May 4th to May 8th. Each class will have 5 lessons throughout the week. West Coast Wheels will be teaching safety and proper technique and providing the equipment for the students to use.

## Cape Horn Carnival

Thanks to the organizers and the many volunteers for making this year's carnival a huge success! Cape Horn also celebrated our 50th anniversary and many former students came by to check out the museum, re-living their "old days" as they looked through the many photos of Cape Horn's history. Congratulations to the Jones Family for contributing the winning cake to the Cake Walk, a fantastic pirate ship. Thank you to all the cake donors, it was a tough contest, there were so many beautiful cakes! We welcomed some of our new families who will be joining us in September; glad you could make it! Thanks again to all those who worked so hard to make the carnival the great event that it was!


## PAC NEWS

## PAC AGM Meeting May 27th

The Cape Horn PAC AGM is on May 27th and the PAC will be approving the budget for 2015-2016 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.

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

## School Supplies for 2015/16 Year

Once again, parents will be given the chance to pre-order a school supply kit for grades 1 to 5 from School Start rather than shopping for school supplies themselves. Watch for the order forms to be sent home soon. The kits will be delivered to the school the first week of September. The kits will arrive individually packaged for each student. If you choose not to order a kit, school supply lists will be sent home with the students' final report cards.


## SPORTS DAY: June 18th



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.

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Community Schools are pleased to offer Summer Day Camp Programs. Camps will be held at the following School locations:

WHERE: CENTRAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL: 2260 Central Avenue, Port Coquitlam MINNEKHADA MIDDLE SCHOOL: 1390 Laurier Avenue, Port Coquitiam

TIMES: 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, MASTERCARD OR INTERAC/DEBIT PAPER REGISTRATIONS: CASH AND CHEQUES

## contacts

Central Camp: Dasha Belskaya - dbelskaya@sd43.bc.ca
Minnekhada Camp: Steve Brown-John - sbrown-john@sd43.bc.ca

## Central Camp - will run 6 weeks: June $29^{\text {b }}$ to August $7^{\text {th }} 2015$

C-1 Week / Camp 1 Mon. June 29 - Fri. July $03 \$ 804$ Days Mon - Fri *No Wednesday
C-2 Week / Camp 2 Mon. July 06 - Fri. July $10 \$ 955$ Days Mon - Fri
C-3 Week / Camp 3 Mon. July 13 - Fri. July $17 \$ 95$
5 Days Mon - Fri
5 Days Mon-Fri
5 Days Mon - Fri
C.5 Week/Cam 5 Mon. Jul 27 - Fil. July 31 \$95

4 Days Tue - Fri

Minnekhada Camp - will run 6 weeks: June $29^{\text {th }}$ to August $7^{\text {E }} 2015$
L-1 Week / Camp 1 Mon. June 29 - Fri. July $03 \$ 80$
4 Days Mon - Fri *No Wednesday
5 Days Mon-Fri
5 Days Mon-Fri
5 Days Mon - Fri
5 Days Mon-Fri
4 Days Tue - Fri

## About the Camp

Weekly activity schedules will be available the first day of camp and will vary between the different sites. The examples of daily/ weekly activities will reflect the following areas:

- Recreation and Games, Arts and Crafts, Science Activities
- Field Games and outdoor sports - weather permitting/Park Outings
- BBQ / fun day
- Field trips to local community events and centres (fees apply). Permission Forms will be sent home each session/week
- Possibility of guest leaders with special activities or presentations

Camp participants MUST bring the following items each day, labeled, with your Child's Name:

- Lunch and snacks

Sun Screen

Please ensure that vour children do not trina monev (uniess reauested) or oersonal hems to camp. (Please no cell
phones, ipods, etct.) Community School's will not be responsible for any lost or stolen hems. phones, iPods, etc.) Community Schoors will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items.
Camp hours are: 9:00 AM - 2:45 PM. Drop off at 8:45 AM and pick up by 2:45 PM
Parent, caregivers or legal quardians will be required to sign their child(ren) in and out each day. If your child(ren) is/are allowed to wait or walk home on their own we must have a written and dated consent. A child(ren) will not be released until the adult, who has signed in their child(ren) that day, arrives to pick them up or contact has been made for an alternate arrangement. Ministry of Children and Families guidelines will be strictly followed for children who are not picked up on time.

## How to Register

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 appropriate school website as listed below then click on Community Programs, which will lead to the Summer Camp Registration button. Karelo provides the online registration service.
Central Camp:
Minnekhada Camp:
www.sd43.bc.ca/central
www.sd43.bc.ca/minnekhada

If you do not wish to register online please visit the appropriate School's 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 to the school office with payment either cash or cheque made payable to:

Central Camp: made payable to Central Community School

Minnekhada Camp: made payable to Minnekhada Middle School

## COQUITLAM YOUTH ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS <br> Friday, June 5, 2015 <br> 3:30 pm to $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> Evergreen Cultural Centre, Coquitlam Junior Orchestra - Ages 9-12

 Senior Orchestra - Ages 13-22Go to www.coquitlamyouthorchestra.ca for more info and to register for the audition.



SUMMER LEARNING 2015 ONLINE Registration Dates (6:00 a.m. Opening)

Elementary Skill Building: May $26^{\text {th }}$

Students must have an account with our online system BEFORE registering for courses.
Please visit our website and create/update your account now. To create an account you will need your child's PEN number, which is available at your home school.

We are offering courses in Fine Arts, French Immersion, Reading \& Writing, Montessori, Math, Science and Kindergar-ten-to-Grade 1 Transition! See website for full details!

Program Dates: July 7 to July 24
Visit www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

## Cape Horn Elementary School SCHOOL CALENDAR 2015-2016

| Schools Open .............................................................. Tuesday, September 8 |
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| Pro D Day $\qquad$ Friday, September 25 (Common District Day) |
| Thanksgiving ............................................................... Monday, October 12 |
| Pro D Day $\qquad$ Friday, October 23 (Common Provincial Day) |
| Remembrance Day...................................................... Wednesday, November 11 |
| School Not In Session .................................................... Friday, November 20 |
| Schools Close for Winter Vacation .................................. Friday, December 18 |
| Winter Vacation ........................................................... December 21 - January 1 |
| Schools Reopen After Winter Vacation.............................. Monday, January 4 |
| BC Family Day ............................................................ Monday, February 8 |
| Pro D Day $\qquad$ Friday, February 19 <br> (Common District Day) |
| Schools Close for Spring Vacation .................................... Friday, March 11 |
| Spring vacation period .................................................. March 14 - March 24 |
| Good Friday................................................................. Friday, March 25 |
| Easter Monday............................................................. Monday, March 28 |
| Schools re-open After Spring Vacation.............................. Tuesday, March 29 |
| Pro D Day $\qquad$ Friday, April 15 <br> (Common District Day) |
| Victoria Day ................................................................. Monday, May 23 |
| Last day of school for all students.................................... Wednesday, June 29 |
| Administrative Day............................................................. Thursday, June 30 |

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