

Hazel Trembath Elementary School



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Newsletter # 6

Greetings Parents/Guardians:

We are finally getting to enjoy some sunshine and it is starting to feel like summer will soon be upon us, which means the end of the year is quickly approaching. The final sprint will be filled with a range of activities from field trips to assemblies, music and athletic celebrations, and a PAC run Country Fair this Friday night. Even as one school year comes to a close, our staff begins planning for the new one in September. We will be expanding by one division and we are hard at work determining where classes will be located and hiring for positions coming available. As a staff, we work closely to formulate – by hand – the composition of each of the classes next year. This is a laborious process and a lot of time, thought and care goes into the classes we build. Classes have a range of stipulations regarding how large they can be, and there are also composition guidelines. We look at striking a gender balance as well as balancing the range of learning needs students have, the leadership they exhibit, student connections etc. If there is something you think we need to know about your child, feel free to email me, but please be aware that I do not entertain teacher requests.

One other area that parents often have concerns about is the grade their child will be in and whether they will feel behind, or need more challenge. I have often explained grade concerns to parents with the following example. If I had a grade three class made up of grade three students who were all born on exactly the same day, I would not have a class of students who were all at the same level. Some students would excel in math based problems; some would find reading challenging; others would be advanced verbally, but find written output difficult. There is a reason our revised curriculum has so many options for personalizing learning and enabling students to show their learning in a range of ways: the learning journey is personal for each student. I am blessed to have a staff made up of caring, innovative teachers who work so hard to provide a wide range of learning opportunities to our students, and I feel confident that no matter where your child is placed, they will be cared for and empowered to learn.

17 more school days! 😊

Sincerely,

Ms. Janine Close
Principal

Upcoming Events

June	7	PAC Snack Day
	9	Country Fair (4:00-8:00)
	12	Music Concert 9:00 a.m.
	13	PAC Meeting 6:30 p.m. (library)
	16	Grade 4 and 5 Activity Day
	19	Sports Recognition Assembly 9:00 a.m.
	23	PAC Hot Lunch
	26	Grade 6 for a Day – Citadel Middle School (9:00 to 12:00)
	27	Grade 5 Leaving Ceremony 1:00 to 2:45 p.m.
	29	Year-End Final Assembly 9:00 a.m./Last Day of School/Reports home
	30	Administration Day: No Students (last day of school for teachers)

Music Concert

Ms. Ipe has been hard at work providing a music program to the students at Hazel Trembath Elementary and she is excited to have them presenting at a music concert this **Monday, June 12th at 9:00 a.m.** Classes will be presenting songs that celebrate Canada in light of its upcoming 150th birthday. We hope you can join us!



Sports Recognition Assembly

On June 19th, students who participated in any of our athletic opportunities offered throughout the past year, from team sports to individual events to jogging club will be recognized for their commitment and participation. The assembly commences at 9:00 a.m. Hope to see you there!

PAC Meeting

Just a reminder that the next monthly Parent Advisory Committee is meeting on **Tuesday, June 13th at 6:30 p.m.** in the Hazel Trembath Library. Childminding for small children is available.

Country Fair 2017

This year's Country Fair will be held this **Friday, June 9th from 4pm to 8pm.** This is the PAC's main school fundraiser for the year. The funds raised go directly to PAC to support children and teachers at Hazel Trembath. Field trip buses, school learning activities, playground maintenance, and classroom wish lists are just a few of the many needed items that PAC contributes to throughout the year.



Please note, students will need to fill out a waiver in order to go for a horse or pony ride (a copy of the waiver is connected to this email.

Track and Field

On May 26th many grade 3, 4 and 5 students went to Town Centre to represent Hazel Trembath in the district track meet. Our students were excellent ambassadors for school and demonstrated great team work,

supported one another and had excellent showings in their events, with many students placing. The goal of the day was to work hard and have fun; I think students exceeded expectations! A bit thank you to parents who drove students to the event and made up our wonderful cheering section, and a big thanks goes out to staff members who organized the day, covered classes, accompanied students to the event, coached events and encouraged and cheered on students.



Lost and Found

After getting rid of all of our lost and found items in April, we seem to be developing another collection. If your child is missing an

item(s) please have them take a look through the collection, or drop by the school to take a look. We will donate the remaining items at the end of the school year.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Summer Learning

There is still space available in the following Summer Learning courses at Kilmer Elementary, July 11-28, 9am-12pm daily. Courses are free*. To register or learn more* go to www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

- Science (Outdoor focus) Grade 1, 4 & 5
- French Immersion Language Arts Grade 2 through 5
- Math Skill Building Grade 1 through 5
- Kindergarten to Grade 1 Transition (English)
- Reading/Writing Grade 1 through 5

Homestay Opportunities

We will be having international students attending your school/ catchment area in the summer time.

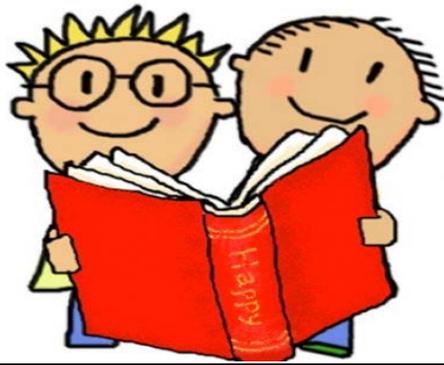
Cypress Accommodations is looking for homes for these students to stay in during their time here. We have both short and long term students to be placed.

This is a great opportunity for your children to make new friends and learn about a different culture!

If you are interested, please contact Paula Johnson at paula@cypressaccommodations.com. One of their coordinators will provide you with full information regarding remuneration and basic requirements to participate in the program.

Full information on their site:

www.cypressaccommodations.com





PLEASE HELP LOOK AFTER OUR SCHOOL THIS SUMMER

Our school is an important place in our neighbourhood. We all want to do everything we can to eliminate vandalism on school grounds this summer. Schools are most at risk during:

- Summer evenings and nights especially when the weather is hot
- The week before school opens on Tuesday September 5, 2017
- Friday and Saturday evenings and nights during the month of September

What You Can Do

Keep your eyes and ears open for suspicious activities on the school grounds. Everything you see and hear helps. Note the physical characteristics and clothing of individuals. If you see automobiles, jot down license plate numbers.

Report All Suspicious Activities to the Vandal Watch Tip Line

604-927-7600

***Call immediately when something raises your suspicions.
Do not wait for the damage to be done.***

Your Call is Anonymous and Confidential

No one will ask for your name or phone number. The Tip Line is available 24 hours a day. Security personnel will investigate and will take action or involve the police. Do not get involved in a confrontation yourself.

KEEP THE TIP LINE PHONE NUMBER HANDY. MAKE SURE THE PHONE NUMBER IS GIVEN ONLY TO RESPONSIBLE ADULTS.

