Hazel Trembath Elementary School



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April 9, 2014 Newsletter # 8

Upcoming Events:

April	10	Individual/Class/Group/Team Photos
	11	District Pro-D Day (No School)
	16	Como Lake Relays
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	28	Recognition Assembly 9:15 a.m.



School Assemblies/Presentations:

Please be aware that parents/guardians and family members are welcome to attend all of our Assemblies and also any special presentations that may occur at Hazel Trembath. We hold monthly assemblies and we hope you will join us! Our next school wide Recognition Assembly will occur on Monday, April 28th at 9:15 a.m. Several students will be recognized from each class for their efforts to date. We will also have a performance by Ms. Hamilton's and Ms. Hethey's classes.

Photos:

Individual, Class and Group/Team Photos will be Thursday, April 10th.

Class photos are provided free of charge to all students. Proofs of individual photos will be sent home and you then order from the proofs. **Please do not send any money on Thursday.** When the proofs are returned, order forms will be available to order prints of the team/group photos.

Hazel Trembath Garage Sale:

We will be holding our 4th annual Garage Sale on April 26th. Start now by beginning to clear out your closets and garage and take this great opportunity to do some Spring Cleaning and raise money for our school by donating your gently used:



- Bicycles
- Kitchen/household items
- Small working appliances/electronics
- Kids toys and games (no stuffed animals please)
- Good used Sports equipment
- Books
- Christmas/seasonal/gardening items

*** <u>NO</u> CLOTHING, MATTRESSES, OR STUFFED ANIMALS please***

Professional Development Day:

There will be NO school on Friday, April 11th as this is a School Professional Development Day for teachers.

Como Lake Relays:

The 35th Annual School District "Como Lake Relays" are taking place Wednesday, April 16th.

Our school will be sending teams to participate in this race which consists of four members with each participant running



the full distance once around Como Lake (approximately 1.2 Km). Students from Grades 4 and 5 have been training and we know they will do a fine job representing our school. Please feel free to come out and cheer our teams.



School Supplies for 2014-2015
Watch for Creative Children
School Supply order forms which
will be sent home soon.

Stay warm & dry!!

With the wet, spring season upon us, please ensure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the weather. Unless it is



raining very hard, students will go outside at recess and lunch and should have outdoor clothing to keep them warm and dry. It would be very useful for all students to have a change of clothes at school. The playground gets very wet and slippery and we often have students who get wet and muddy.

Celebrity/Jersey Day:

As one of our Spirit Days at Hazel Trembath, our Student Leadership group has planned a "Celebrity/Jersey Day" on Friday, April 25th. Dress as your favourite celebrity or wear your favourite jersey.





Moving/Kindergarten Registration

Are you planning to move over the summer? If so, this information would be helpful to us in our planning for the new school year. Our staffing is based on the number of children registered for the 2014-2015 school year. Please inform our office, as well as the school in your new neighbourhood, as soon as possible. As well, it is critical for our September staffing that we register all Kindergarten students who plan to attend Hazel Trembath in September 2014. If you know of any families in the neighbourhood who haven't yet registered their children for Kindergarten, please encourage them to do so immediately.

Port Coquitlam May Day: May 2 - May 12, 2014

We thank all students who put their names forward as candidates for Flower Girl, Princess and Lancer.
Congratulations to the following students who were selected to represent

Hazel Trembath at the 2014 Port Coquitlam May Day Celebrations:

Ella Ingenito – Hazel Trembath Flower Girl Rachel Kelt – Hazel Trembath Princess Quinton Taylor – Hazel Trembath Lancer We know they will be fine candidates representing our school. Watch for them at the May Day Parade.

Reading Link:

On March 11th we welcomed Librarians from the Terry Fox Library to run our School Reading Links Challenge. Our teams had read six

different novels since Christmas.

The teams competed through three rounds of ten questions to determine the winning team. Congratulations to "**The Reading Mustaches Team**" for winning a very close competition. They moved on to the Finals hosted at our school on April 7th involving teams from 9 other schools. Students on "The Reading Mustaches Team" did a fine job of representing our school. Thank you to Mr. Gabiniewicz and Ms. Jaibat for supporting the Grade 4 and 5 students who took part.

SCHOOL DAILY SCHEDULE

8:25 a.m. Supervision begins on the school grounds

8:40 a.m. School Bell – Students enter school

8:45 a.m. Classes Begin

10:15 a.m. Recess Break

10:35 a.m. Recess ends - Classes resume

12:05 noon Lunch Break

12:55 p.m. School Bell – Students enter school

12:55 p.m. Classes Resume

2:45 p.m. Students dismissed

If your child will be absent or late, would you please notify the office by 8:50 a.m. Phone (604-941-0517)
Students arriving late MUST report to the office prior to going to class.

Hot Lunch Days:

P.A.C. Hot Lunch Days:

The P.A.C. Hot Lunch Committee will once again be providing monthly lunches for your child. Please watch for order forms coming home.

Lunch Lady Program:

We are again providing the service of The Lunch Lady Program and these lunches are provided every Thursday to students who have ordered.

HOT LUNCH DAYS: District Lunch Program:

School District No. 43 offers the services of the District's elementary school meals program to our students. Nutritious lunches, prepared at the Centennial teaching kitchen, under the direction of the teaching chef are delivered to our school each day. Due to both time constraints and supplier limitations, the program cannot guarantee peanut free lunches and is not able to accommodate other possible student allergies. Order forms will be sent home on a monthly basis. If you have any questions regarding the lunch program and support, please contact Mr. Gordon at 604-941-0517

Traffic & Parking At Hazel Trembath:

Thank you to parents for respecting the no stopping area in front of the school drop off is only for those individuals who have specific physical needs. The expectation is that all families drop off children at

the upper parking lots and continue down the stairs to the school. As the weather changes we ask for your extra care and vigilance when you are dropping your children off. Cars entering the upper parking lot are asked to take a large sweep to the right as they are entering and stay tight to the right when exiting the parking lot. On high volume days it is imperative that parents proceed with extra caution. Please review safety expectations with your children if they are walking to school as well. The care for our children is a collective responsibility.

Traffic Safety:

The safety of our children is a top priority.

We would like to remind drivers that we have many children that walk to school on a daily basis using the crosswalks to get to school. Please take time to

SLOW DOWN IN SCHOOL ZONES AND STOP AT CROSSWALKS to allow children to arrive at school safely.

School Recycling Program

We would like to request that all Hazel Trembath students place their plastic drink bottles, aluminum cans, drink boxes and containers in our school recycling bins after they have rinsed them in the classroom sink. It helps our recycling crew do their job and the money we raise from recycling goes right back into materials and activities for our children!

Please note that students at our school, follow the exact same recycling procedures that they learn at home. We aim for zero garbage and are involved in the City of Port Coquitlam recycling program, using the Green Waste Bins and the Blue Recycling Bins that are picked up by the City of Poco. Students

learn what items go in each bin and learn why it is important for us to recycle. We are working together to create a "Green" school and learning to take care of our environment.

For more information on Port Coquitlam recycling, please go to:

PROGRAM

www.portcoquitlam.ca/green



School Goals: 2013 - 2014

We continue to move forward in our goal areas of Writing and Social Responsibility, and we appreciate the support of our parent community as we work toward our goals. Please feel free to inquire on the progress and status of our goals and other school wide initiatives throughout the year. The staff at Hazel Trembath are planning and implementing initiatives for us to improve in our goal areas and we look forward to the rewards that will come as a result of our students' learning.

Literacy Goal: Improve students' Writing skills Our objective is to improve students' skills in each step of the Writing process. After completing our school-wide write in the Spring of 2013, teachers participated in collaboration sessions to assess student achievement and to discuss the results. It was decided that based on this over-all data, and the data represented at classroom, school and provincial levels, that a focus on each step of the writing process would address our goal of improving students' skills in writing.

Other school wide goal areas and initiatives:

As a community, Hazel Trembath promotes Social Responsibility as a school wide goal and over the past few years has focused specifically on "solving problems in peaceful ways. Students will continue to use the "Three Steps" Program to make clear "I" statements to whoever is causing problems and will notify that person, that if they choose to continue with the problem behavior, adult intervention will be sought out. The idea behind these strategies is to give students the skills to advocate for themselves and to build their problem solving capacity.

We will also continue to concentrate on "Taking Care of the Environment". We will work together to create a "Green" school and establish excellence in education around environmental issues and concerns. We look forward to the growth of our school through the support of parents, volunteers, staff and students and thank you in advance for building a truly great learning community. Our school focus is to be socially and environmentally responsible. It is our responsibility to ensure a safe and happy learning

environment for all students. To help achieve this, it is expected that students keep their hands and feet to themselves and that they include others while playing outside at recess and lunchtime. When students are having problems, they are expected to solve problems in peaceful ways.

One of the strategies we will be teaching students to solve problems peacefully is the use of The Three Steps. This problem solving process is outlined as follows:

The Three Steps: Explicit Feedback

The Three Steps will help students to solve problems in peaceful ways. It is based on a clear and straightforward process whereby students take the:

First Step by giving feedback to other students who are treating them in a way that they want stopped. If the unwanted behavior continues, students go to the:

Second Step and inform the other student that if they don't stop, it will be their responsibility to report them. The:

Third Step is when a student reports the problem to an adult.

All students and staff members are being trained in the use of the Three Steps and we will continue our work with students to help them solve problems peacefully.

When students act out inappropriately and treat one another in unacceptable and hurtful ways, the Principal will be involved. Mr. Gordon will work with students who make unwise choices through a process called **Behavior Support**. This process involves helping students to reflect on their own unacceptable behavior and having them think of more appropriate ways of treating one another. Behaviour Support is a positive and dignified way to help students learn from their mistakes and to take responsibility for their actions. Part of this process is for the Principal to inform parents in the event that their child has been involved in a conflict and to let them know how the situation was handled at school. We will continue to teach all students this strategy of solving problems in peaceful ways and look forward to continued improvement in socially responsible behavior at school.

We will continue to focus on our environmental responsibilities by participating in a number of school-wide and classroom-based initiatives.

If you would like to volunteer in your child's classroom, accompany your child's class on a field trip or drive on a field trip, please remember that you MUST have completed all the necessary documentation. We MUST have a Criminal Record Check, a Volunteer Form and if you are driving, a Drivers Abstract and a Driver Volunteer Form.

ALSO, we MUST have a completed School Policy and Permission Form for every student in the school. This form must be completed every school year. If you have not completed this form for your child, please do so immediately.

The following forms can be completed online at:

www.sd43.bc.ca/hazeltrembath

Click on Parents, and then Forms

School Policy & Permission Form	Read the various policies and guidelines in this online form and discuss them with your child as you complete it. This form is required for each and every student each school year .
Medical Alert Form	Complete this online form ONLY if your child suffers from a medical condition the school must be aware of. If you complete this form online, you will have to print it out and deliver it to the school office. Needs to be completed annually.
Volunteer Form	Complete this online form if you think you may be volunteering at our school (e.g. school field trips or events). This form is required every 5 years for all parent volunteers**.
Volunteer Driver Form	Complete this online form if you think you may be driving for school field trips or events. This form is required <u>each school year</u> for all

Once you have completed the forms click on the **Green** submit button at the bottom of each form. Repeat as necessary. If you have trouble with any of the online forms, please contact the office at 604-941-0517.

The following is a list of the divisions, grade level and teacher names:

parent drivers**.

Div.	Grade	Teacher's Name
1	4/5	Ms. Jaibat
2	4/5	Mr. Gabiniewicz
3	3	Ms. Jianfar
4	2/3	Mrs. Hamilton
5	1/2	Ms. Martindale/Ms. Hethey
6	1/2	Ms. Laurie/Ms. Smith
7	K	Mrs. Kask

^{**}Please note that in order to volunteer, you must also submit a copy of a Criminal Record Check (every 5 years). If you are applying for a Criminal Record Check, please stop by the school office to pick up an application form and covering letter from the Principal. An ICBC driver's abstract is required every school year for volunteer drivers.

DRIVER'S ABSTRACT – How to get one: You can obtain a printed copy of your **driver's abstract** free of charge by attending an ICBC point of service and presenting your driver's license or by telephoning 1-800-950-1498 (ICBC Customer Service). The document will then be faxed within minutes, or mailed to you. For your convenience, you are welcome to have ICBC fax your driver's abstract to our school at 604-937-8016.

CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK – How to get one: Complete the "Consent for Disclosure of Criminal Record Information" form. Take this form, the Volunteer Letter from the Principal, and picture I.D. to the Coquitlam RCMP detachment at 2986 Guildford Way corner of Pinetree Way (604-945-1550). You may receive the criminal record check on the spot or within a day or two.

Health News

A key to health – Get Active

According to the <u>Canadian Fitness and Lifestyle Research Institute</u>, only **12% of Canadian children** meet the physical activity targets for children and youth. If children aren't active enough, they're at a higher risk for diseases like type 2 diabetes, hypertension, high cholesterol and other cardiovascular illnesses.

Did you know

60 minutes or more a day is all it takes

<u>Physical activity guidelines</u> recommend that children and youth get active for at least 60 minutes a day of moderate to vigorous-intensity physical activity.

Children should also decrease the time they spend on sedentary activities such as watching TV, playing computer games and surfing the Internet.

Simply increase your child's physical activity by just five or 10 minutes every few weeks - the time they spend being active will eventually add up to 60 minutes a day. Encourage your child to join in activities they enjoy.

Ways to encourage physical activity

Physical activity doesn't mean only sports - it can include everyday things like walking the dog, planting a garden, playing tag, building a snowman or tobogganing, and even household chores like shovelling the driveway or sweeping the garage.

Help your kids be active:

Teach them the importance of daily physical activity as a vital part of staying healthy.

Limit the non-active time they spend watching television, playing video games or surfing the Internet;

Encourage them to ride their bikes or walk to school;

Combine periods of moderate activity (walking, biking) with periods of more vigorous activity (running, playing soccer);

Provide regular opportunities to learn new skills and have fun with organized activities like swimming, soccer, baseball, martial arts, dancing, gymnastics, skiing, basketball and tennis;

Balance the day with play - physical activities that are informal and unstructured - particularly for children who tend to shy away from competition;

Be a positive role model by being active;

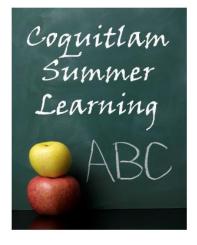
Be a physically active family with regular outings to hike, cycle, walk or skate; and

Praise their choices of physical activities - confidence is critical to success!

Excerpt from: http://healthycanadians.gc.ca/kids

HAZEL TREMBATH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CALENDAR 2013–2014

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May	6	PAC Meeting & Elections 6:30 p.m.	
•	9	Div. 1 & 2 to Science World	
	14	Snack Day	
	16	Theatrix Presentation 1:15 p.m.	
	19	Victoria Day (No School)	
	20	District Track & Field Meet	
	26	Recognition Assembly 9:15 a.m.	
	28	Welcome To Kindergarten Program 10:30 – Noon	
	30	Hot Lunch Day	
	30	Western Theme Day	
June	2	School Pro. D. Day (No School)	
	5	Parent Tea	
	6	Fun Fair	
	10	PAC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	
	13	Hot Lunch Day	
	20	Grade 5 's to Playland	
	23	Grade 6 for a Morning – Citadel Middle School	
	24	Year-End Final Assembly	
	24 24	Year-End Final Assembly Snack Day	
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SUMMER LEARNING 2014 ONLINE Registration Dates (6:00 a.m. Opening)

Elementary Skill Building: May 29th

Students must have an account with our online system **BEFORE** registering for courses. Please visit our website and create/update your account **now**.

We are offering courses in Fine Arts, French Immersion, Reading & Writing, Math and Science! See website for full details!

Program Dates: July 8 to July 25

Visit www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

COMMUNITY NEWS



"School District 43 is currently facilitating a community engagement process for the Learning, Land and Neighbourhoods initiative. The number of students enrolling in the school district is growing -- in the next decade there will be 5,000 more students. New schools will need to be built and others refurbished or enhanced to meet growing demand. In addition, building on the work done last year, the board is reviewing district properties to ensure we are getting the best value for students today and in the future. The school district has launched a

community engagement process to help identify solutions and inform the board's actions and decisions.

We invite you to visit our Learning, Land and Neighbourhoods section of the District website here."

Heather Escaravage, Communications & Social Media Assistant

District Office

Direct Line: 604-937-6774

Cell: 604-354-2780

Find us on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/sd43bc

Follow us on Twitter @sd43bc

Have you signed up for our Learning, Land and Neighbourhood Community Dialogues? Learn more at www.sd43.bc.ca/landmngmt





Family Day at Place des Arts!

Sunday, April 13, 2014, 1:30-3:30pm | 1120 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam

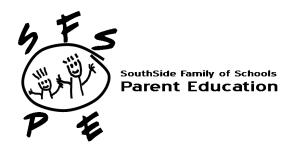
Gather up the family and tour *The Classic Silhouette of Korean Pottery* - the 10th Annual Exhibition by Clay for You group, *Interpreting Nature*, oil on canvas by Ronald Straight and *Lay of the Land*, oil on canvas by Alexandra Edmonds. Then participate in a variety of all-ages, drop-in style workshops based on the exhibitions. The Van Goh Café will be open serving light snacks and beverages. Don't be intimidated by art, get engaged in it! Admission by donation. Register online at placedesarts.ca or by phone at 604.664.1636

Summer Fun! Art Camps

Registration opening: April 6, 2014 at 9am

Registration for Place des Arts' popular *Summer Fun!* Art Camps begins on Sunday, April 6, 2014 at 9am. *Summer Fun!* runs for 6 weeks from July 7 to August 15 and is full of stimulating and creative visual art, music, dance, drama and literary art classes for kids ages 5 to 12 and tweens & teens ages 11 to 14. *Summer Fun!* offers flexibility, choice, innovation, high quality instruction, after-hours care and, of course, lots of summertime fun. Unlike other art camps with set schedules, *Summer Fun!* allows students to tailor a schedule of classes to match their specific needs and interests.

Registration may be done online at www.placedesarts.ca or in person at Place des Arts, 1120 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam



Proudly Presents

"Communicating with Children: Learning the language of the heart"

An Evening with
Deborah MacNamara, PhD, RCC
Wednesday, April 16, 2014
6:45 - 8:30 p.m.
Pitt River Middle School
2070 Tyner St, Port Coquitlam

Cost: \$3/adult or \$5/couple
Free childminding available with
Registration at ssfspe@gmail.com
By April 9, 2014



YOU CAN HELP LOOK AFTER OUR SCHOOL AND STOP VANDALISM!

Our school is an important place in our neighbourhood and we all want to do everything we can to eliminate vandalism on our school grounds. Schools are most at risk on weekend evenings when the weather is good. You can help stop the problem.

Be Vigilant

Keep your eyes and ears open for suspicious activities. Signs of trouble include late night trespassers and the gathering of unorganized groups of people. Much vandalism takes place on Friday and Saturday between 11 p.m. – 2 a.m.

Gather Information

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.



Hazel Trembath's 5th Annual COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE!!

Saturday, April 26th, 2014 9:00 a.m.– 1:00 p.m.

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Please call Gina Christie 604-552-2453 with questions or if you would like to help!

We are now accepting all donations Please bring all items to Room # 139