



eNews

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Mission Statement: We strive for personal excellence and promote enthusiasm for lifelong learning. We participate in and share responsibility for creating a caring, safe, and respectful community, while encouraging and maintaining positive relationships.

Déclaration de Mission: Nous visons l'excellence personnelle et la promotion de l'enthousiasme pour l'apprentissage pour toute la vie. Nous participons et partager la responsabilité de la création d'une communauté

Upcoming Events:

May 30

to June 3: Bike to school week

June 1: Team 1 (div. 1,2,3,4,5) Field Trip- Poco Bowling and Lions Park

June 3: Team 6 (div. 21,22,23,24,25) Field trip-Poco Bowling

June 6: Grade 6 Immunizations

June 6: 7:00pm- PAC meeting in the library

June 8: 1:30pm Band School Concert 7:00 p.m. Evening Concert

June 9: Team 3(div. 10,11,12,13) Field Trip-Lafarge Lake

June 13: Grade 7 Immunizations

June 20: Gr. 6/7 Field Trip to Loon Lake (Pink Foxes & Purple Hippos)

June 21: Gr. 6/7 Field Trip to Loon Lake (Rep Pandas & Blue Llamas)

June 21: ***National Indigenous People's Day***

June 22: Music classes Performance Assembly 1:30 pm

June 27: Gr. 8 Field Trip to Playland

June 27: Term 3 report cards uploaded to MyEdBC

Jun. 28: Last Day of School for Students

Jun. 29 Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony 9:15 am

Calendar dates are constantly being updated so please keep an eye on our website and for e-mail updates throughout the year.

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/School/maplecreek/>

“We don't just go to School, We go to Maple Creek”

Message from The Admin



Dear Maple Creek Families and Community Members,

Well, here we are! We are at the end of May with only 4 weeks of school remaining before a well-deserved summer break

At present, we are looking at 575 students for next year and we are planning to have at least 23 divisions: five Gr. 6/7 FRIM classes, three Gr. 8 FRIM classes, six English Gr. 8 classes, and nine English 6/7 classes. As numbers change throughout the summer and into the first week of school, this could impact the information above for the opening week of school. Regardless of whether our numbers go up or stay the same, believe it or not, we are already preparing for September - bring it on!

At this time of year we sadly say farewell to staff members who have contributed to making the “Home of the Hawks” a great place to work and learn. Some of our staff have had ending temporary contracts whereas others have been laid off due to a district-wide decrease in enrollment. Mr. Kwok (laid off), Ms. Principe (laid off), Ms. Pederson (laid off), Mr. Mehlretter (laid off), Ms. McLean (laid off), Ms. Bortignon (end of temp contract), Mr. Mehlretter (laid off), Mr. Arthur (end of temp contract), Ms. Siano (laid off), Ms Klimko (laid off), Mr. Smith (laid off), Ms. Suchynsky (end of temp contract), Ms. Kinna (end of temp contract), Ms. Tetangco (end of temp contract), Ms. King (end of temp contract) and Mr. Graham (assigned as Principal at Eagle Mountain Middle). We thank them all for their hard work and contributions. We will greatly miss their collective years of dedication to this learning community. May their experiences here at Maple Creek enrich their future experiences elsewhere in our district or back at Maple Creek...keeping our fingers crossed!

We warmly welcome Mr. Darren MacMillan who is our new Principal effective July 1st.

Finally, we hope you all have a wonderful June! To our current grade 6 and 7 students and to your parents, we look forward to seeing you returning in September refreshed and ready to make your next year the best one yet. We look forward to our grade 8 students finishing strong in their last 4 weeks at Maple Creek in anticipation of starting a new journey next school year.

Look out for a late August update introducing our newest staff members.

Andrew Graham – Principal

Ian Robertson – Vice-Principal

What to anticipate for September!!

We expect that we will resume “normal” routines and activities to start the next school year.

This is very exciting news. However, all this is dependent on the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 as the summer progresses. So, we are advised to wait until more information comes out in August confirming the re-start plans.

More information, if necessary, will be sent to you prior to the start of next school year.



Bear Alert Procedures for Maple Creek

With the warmer weather we have had a number of bear sightings on our school property and surrounding neighbourhood. Below are procedures that we would like you to be aware of and review with your children.

A. Daily Procedures:

1. Hallway Exterior Doors unlocked between 7:00 AM – 4:30 PM to allow for students or parents to enter the building if bear is sighted.
2. Exterior garbage cans emptied.
3. Principal/supervisor visually checks playfield prior to students being dismissed at recess and lunch
Staff on supervision always keep a watchful eye.

Emergency Actions

B. Bear Sighting off of school grounds:

1. Phone call from neighbour or parent received. Time and location of bear sighting are noted.
2. Announcement made to notify school if sighting is near a dismissal time.
3. Students kept indoors if time of bear sighting is near a break time (recess, lunch)
Students and parents advised of bear sighting in neighbourhood if sighted near 2:52 pm. Students walking or biking are reminded to be alert and go in pairs. If there a risk, administration may reroute students or hold students and inform parents to pick students up at the school.

C. Sighting of bear on school grounds during instruction time:

- 1 Staff report bear sighting to office.
- 2 Announcement made to notify school that a bear is on school grounds.
3. Students kept in at recess and lunch.
Coquitlam RCMP and Conservation Officers are contacted immediately for assistance or further instructions.

D. Sighting of bear on school grounds if students or staff are outdoors (Morning; Recess; Lunch or Afterschool)

If sighted by supervising staff, a whistle is blown/students notified.

Announcement made asking everyone to proceed indoors.

Students enter the school via the nearest unlocked exterior door. Move calmly towards entrances. Students then proceed to their classrooms once they are in the school. Coquitlam RCMP and Conservation Officers are contacted immediately for assistance or further instructions.

E. If You See a Bear:

Remain calm; don't panic. Often the bear is simply looking for food and will move on if it finds nothing to eat. Keep away from the bear and go inside – bring all children inside. Never approach the bear and do not run from the bear. Do not act submissively by crouching down or whispering. Warn others of the bear's presence, but don't do it by yelling. If the bear climbs a tree, keep people and pets away. When things quiet down, the bear will come down and leave. This usually happens after dark when the bear feels safe. When the bear is safely out of the area, check the area to ensure there are no attractants available.

Staff, students and parents are instructed to not approach the bear or cubs.

<https://wildsafebc.com/> - - this is a great resource.



Summer Learning 2022



Registration starts next week!!

Seven locations, Tuesday July 12 - Friday July 29 9:00am-12:00pm. K to 1 transition, English for Beginners, Fine & Performing Arts, French Immersion, Integrated studies, Math, Reading & Writing, Coding (Info tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, and more!
Free to all BC residents.

Elementary

Three locations, Tuesday July 12 - Friday July 29 8:45-11:45am. Art, Band, Guitar, Creative Writing, Drama/Improv, English for Beginners, Guitar, Home Ec/Culinary, Integrated studies, Language Arts, Mathematics, PE/Leadership, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, Tech Ed, and more!
Free to all BC residents.

Middle

Two locations. Tuesday July 12 - Friday July 29 8:30-11:30am OR 12:00-3:00pm. English, English for Beginners, IB Math & Science, Jazz & Concert Band, Science, Home Ec, Sewing, 2D Animation, Tech Ed, Math, Coding (Info Tech), Skills for Success. Free to all BC residents.
These non-credit courses may be taken to review previously covered course content OR preview a course. Academic Completion (to earn a passing mark on a 9/10 course from this year) also available, by referral.

Secondary Skill Building

Two locations. Tuesday July 5 - Wednesday August 10 8:00-11:30am OR 12:00-3:30pm. Biology 11,12; Career Life Education 10; Chemistry 11,12; EAL 10,11; English 10,11,12; Mathematics 10,11,12; Physics 11,12; PE 10; Socials 10,11.
Check out the SOYL full day program on our website!

Secondary Full Credit

Face-to-Face Advanced Credit OR Online Blended Fast Track
Register online, starting at 6:00am:
Elementary: Tues. May 3
Middle & Secondary Skill Bldg: Fri. May 6
Secondary Full Credit: Wed. May 11
Now all open!

To Register



FOR MORE INFO VISIT WWW.SD43SUMMERLEARNING.CA

*Courses and locations are subject to change



Thinking of Moving?

As we begin to plan our school organization for the next school year, we are looking carefully at the number of students we anticipate for September. If your family will be moving before September, we would appreciate a call or an email informing us. This will greatly assist us in our planning.

YEARBOOK!

Hello parents,

Our annual yearbook is available to be purchased online. Go online to <https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com> to purchase a yearbook for \$35. See below for a sneak peek into what was in the yearbook last year. NOTE: Now that the order has been placed there are a limited numbers of yearbooks left to sell. Act fast.



Quantities are limited so order soon!

Jeff Kwok - Yearbook Coordinator

Did you know that Maple Creek has a Return-It Express account?



Fill a transparent bag with your empty refundable and bring it to your local Return-It Depot. Once there, you'll find a kiosk where you can print an account label using the school's phone number (604-464-8581). Simply stick the label on your bag, toss it in the bin and Maple Creek will receive the deposit. No sorting. No mess. No line-up!
Our closest Return-It depots are at 104-2560 Barnet Hwy & 2577 Kingsway Avenue

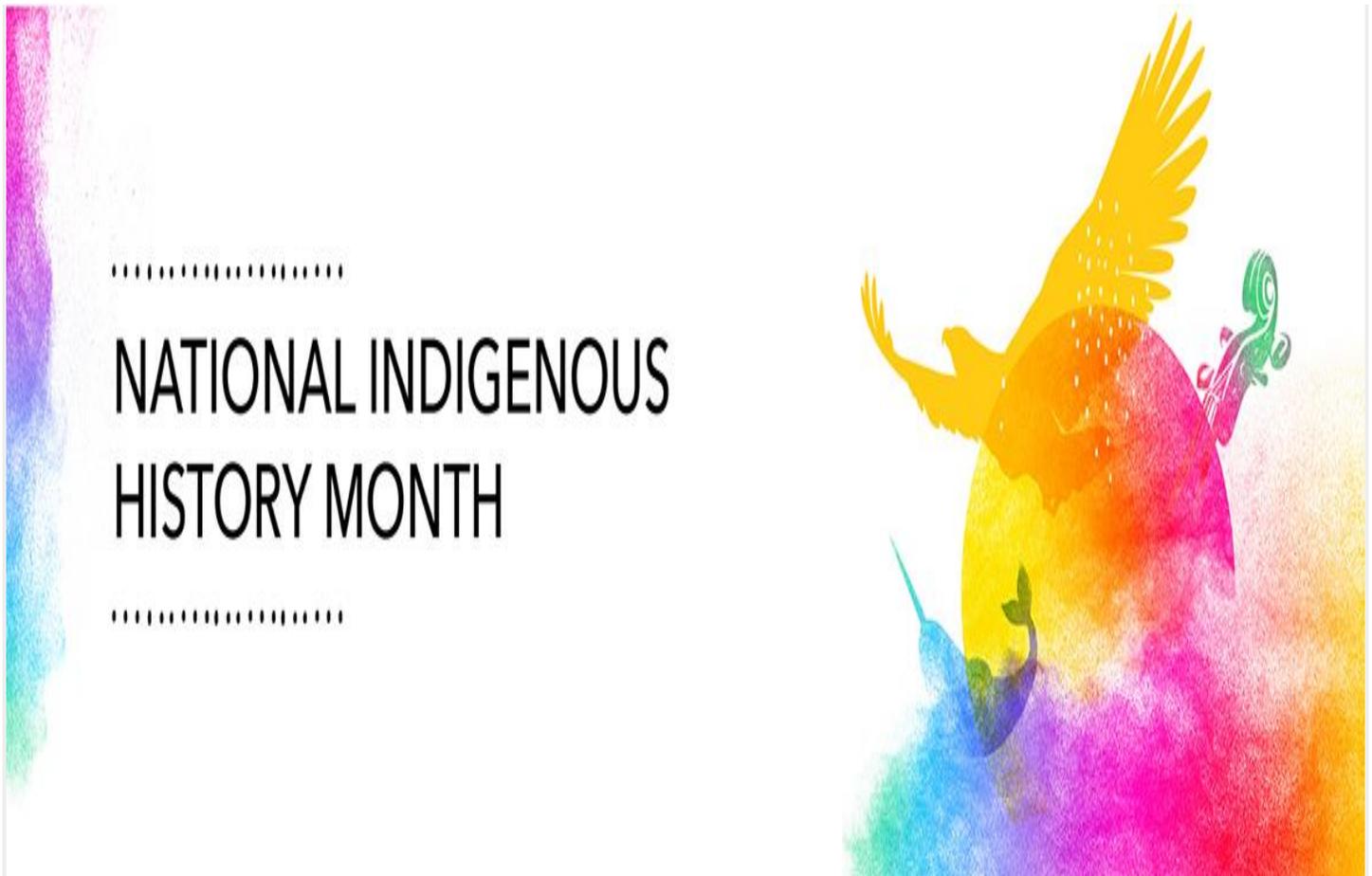
Cobs Bread also generously supports our school!

Whenever you make a purchase at your local Cobs, mention that your family attends Maple Creek and they will donate Dough to our school! Participating locations include Sunwood Square, Oxford Market & Suter brook Village.



These are FREE and EASY ways to support our school.

National Indigenous History Month



In June, we commemorate National Indigenous History Month. During this month, take time to recognize the rich history, heritage, resilience and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples across Canada.

For more information on Indigenous Education in BC please click on the following link:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/indigenous-education>

FREE EVENT AND EQUIPMENT PROVIDED:

<https://sites.google.com/tricitiesfemaleicehockey.ca/social>

TRY HOCKEY



Sunday, June 5 or Sunday June 12th
12:30-1:30pm
REGISTER NOW!



The following Summer Camp opportunities still have spots available and are working in partnership with School District 43 Community Connections.

All Day Camps:

 **SUMMER DAY CAMPS 2022** School District No 43 (Coquitlam) Community Schools SD43 Community Schools Camps have openings at three locations operating this summer: [Community School Camp Info](#)

Moresports

Moresports BC is offering a full day camp for students from all over the Tri-Cities located at Baker Drive Elementary: [Baker Full Day](#)

Half Day Camps:

There are many camps located at various school sites throughout the Tri-Cities that we put on associated with Summer Learning. *Students do not need to be registered with summer learning courses to access the camps:

[Half-Day Summer Camps](#)





FASD CAREGIVER CONNECTION SERIES

IN COLLABORATION WITH SD43 AND KINSIGHT

SD43 and the FASD Research Action Project welcomes parents and caregivers to this exciting education and connection series. Join Natascha Lawrence, MA, RCC, BCRPT, a BIPOC neurodivergent clinician, educator, author, and parent of a child who has FASD in learning how to navigate systems and empower your child through an FASD Lens. Online modules will cover topics such as demystifying FASD, how to talk about FASD with service providers, educators and your child, myths, and misconceptions, FASD as a whole-body diagnosis, sensory processing, interoception, connection, communication, and memory strategies, how to build structure and routine, online safety, and planning for the future. Live Share and Care sessions provide opportunity to questions and connect to other families. Please email Tara Marinkovic, Inclusion Support Teacher & POPFASD District Partner, at tmarinkovic@sd43.bc.ca for more information or to sign up.

Open to parents and caregivers of SD43 students diagnosed or suspected to have FASD

Virtual Modules – learn at your own pace. Access to the course from March 1st to June 30th, 2022

Modules include short videos, supplemental reading materials, and handouts

Four Virtual Share and Care Sessions
Mondays 6:30-8:00pm

Share and Care Sessions:
April 4th – Health and FASD
April 11th – Sensory Strategies
April 25th – Communication
May 4th – Safety and the Future

Kinsight

www.fasdinstitute.com

