

MUNDY ROAD ELEMENTARY

NEWSLETTER #1- Sept/11



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Dear Parents/Guardians;



Welcome to our school year!

We were pleased that our school organization was approved by the District and by Monday, September 12th, all students were in classes with their teachers. During our opening week we had students meeting all the teachers in a rotation. They also attended welcoming assemblies and became familiar with school routines. We were fortunate to have incredible sunshine – our playground areas were bustling with smiling faces at recess and lunch! We know that over the next few days we may have more warm weather days but rainy weather is expected to arrive soon. Please make sure you send your child with boots, umbrellas, and hats or jackets with hoods. If possible, a change of clothing that they can keep in their PE bag is always helpful for those days when puddles become just too tempting to avoid.

With the new school year, we also welcome new staff members to Mundy Road. Our staff list of both teaching and non-teaching are below. The school website will have all our newsletters, as well as district information. Please check it out at www.mundyroad.ca This website will have information on our school calendar, from Pro D Days, to Hot Lunch Days. It also has information on our 'Action Plan for Learning', as well as our 'Code of Conduct', bell schedule, e-forms, as well as information that comes up throughout the year from both the district and our school.



The next PAC meeting is on Wednesday, September 21st at 7 pm in our library. As a parent/guardian of Mundy Road School, you are part of our PAC community. We hope to see you there!

Coffee with the Principal is on Monday, September 26th from 9:00 – 10:00 am in the staff room. This informal gathering is open to all parents/guardians – please feel free to drop by!



MUNDY ROAD STAFF MEMBERS 2011-2012

Our Staff Members and their assignments are as follows:

Mrs. Kroeker/Mrs. Reale	Div. 1	Grade 4/5
Mr. Porter	Div 2	Grade 4/5
Mr. Reis/Mrs. Wood	Div 3	Grade 4/5
Mrs. Johnson	Div 4	Grade 3
Ms. LaFleur	Div 5	Grade 3
Miss Richmond	Div 6	Grade 1/2
Ms. Perko	Div 7	Grade 1/2
Mrs. Cherry	Div 8	Grade 1/2
Mrs. Wong/Mrs. McGovern	Div 9	Grade 1/2
Mrs. McGovern/Mrs. Warner	Div 10	Kindergarten
Mrs. Williams	Div 11	Kindergarten
Mrs. Knittel	Student Services	
Mrs. Riederer	Counsellor, ESL	
Mrs. McGovern	Student Services	
Mrs. Mills	Librarian, Enrichment	
Mr. David	Music	
Mrs. Wood	Music	
Ms. Greenall	District Challenge Centre	
Ms. Mansfield	Speech and Language Pathologist	
Ms. Conn	StrongStart Centre	
Mrs. Cleak	SEA	
Mrs. Diggle	SEA	
Mrs. Cook	Teaching Assistant & Noon Hour Supervisor	
Mrs. McLay	Noon Hour Supervisor	
Mrs. Rail	Morning Custodian	
Mr. Graham	Afternoon Custodian	
Mrs. Hein	Secretary	
Ms. Zimmer	Principal	

We are fortunate to have the staff we do ~ many of our staff members were laid off and we were fortunate to have most of them return to Mundy Road.

Last week students were shown where to line up in the morning prior to the bell. This is where they can meet the adult(s) that will pick them up at the end of the day. At the beginning of each school day, in the undercover area closest to the office, the following classes meet in their classroom groups:

Miss Richmond (Division 6)
Ms. Perko (Division 7)
Mrs. Cherry (Division 8)

Mrs. Johnson (Division 4)
Ms. LaFleur (Division 5)

Mrs. Kroeker/Mrs. Reale (Division 1)
Mr. Porter (Division 2)
Mr. Reis/Mrs. Wood (Division 3)

At the undercover area closest to the playground, the following classes meet:



Mrs. Wong (Division 9) Mrs. Williams (Division 11) Mrs. McGovern/Mrs. Warner (Division 10)

If you are unable to pick up your child by 2:50, please contact the school and let Mrs. Hein, our secretary, know about your delay. Mrs. Hein can pass on the message to your child's teacher and we can also let your child know that there has been a short delay.

PLANNERS

Planners were distributed in most classrooms today. This is a new routine for our grade one students and we are asking that when these planners come home that you read what is in your child's planner. Your child's planner is an excellent way to establish communication between home and school. The cost for planners is \$10.00 - payable by cheque or by cash. Your child will come home with a receipt for their planner.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES & PE SUPPLIES

Students have been bringing their school supplies to school - and students need to bring their PE strip to school in a gym bag. Inside shoes are also needed for Kindergarten students. Please make sure your child's items are labeled - it makes the lost and found items much easier to match to their owner!

DOGS ON THE PLAYGROUND

As you are aware, our playground is full of students in the morning. Many families come with preschool and younger children in strollers. With this in mind, we are asking for your thoughtful consideration and cooperation as some adults (and children) have a fear of dogs, and some are allergic to them. Although many of us consider dogs to be a part of our household, there are individuals who do not. If you bring your dog onto school property, please ensure that your pet is securely leashed and you and your dog are not amongst the lineup of children. Thank you for understanding.



PICTURE DAY!

Wednesday, September 28th is picture day. If you are not satisfied with the pictures (date to be announced shortly). Please brings home the pictures you can choose send your cheque to the school with your order.



day. The pictures will be taken in the morning that come home, there will be a retake date - do not send any money. When your child from a selection of picture packages and then



STRONGSTART CENTRE

Just a reminder to anyone with children under 5 years of age – our StrongStart Centre is open each day school is open, during the afternoons, from 12:45 to 3:45, Monday to Friday. Ms. Conn, the StrongStart Centre Early Childhood Educator, brings her room to life with music, art, literature activities, water and sand tables, as well as time in the 'big gym' or outside on the playground. There is a free

program and you can come for as long as wish during the hours we are open, and you can start anytime between 12:45 to 3:45 time.

We encourage you to drop by - lots of moms, dads, grandparents, and caregivers fill this room each afternoon and we are very happy to see our StrongStart room brimming with children!



TERRY FOX RUN

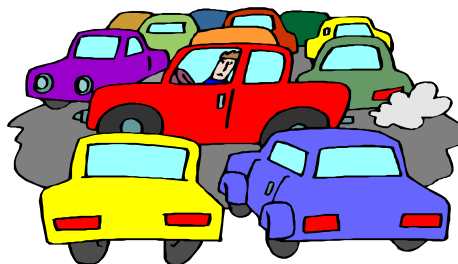
Our annual Terry Fox Run will happen on Friday, September 30th, from 1 pm to 2 pm. the Terry Fox Run can be made at the office, or through the collection basket in classroom. We hope our gorgeous weather will hold out and we encourage all of our join us that afternoon.



Donations to your child's community to

PARKING AVAILABILITY

The front parking lot is for staff members. Parents can park their vehicles along Mundy Road, or along Tolmie or Warrenton and then walk along the community pathways into the school. If you wish to drop your child off at the front doors, you may do so – but you may not child enter the front door, and then exit the had mornings where staff members cannot



park. Please watch your staff parking lot. We have park their vehicles.

PLEASE NOTE that the City Bylaw

Coquitlam School zones on September 26th – car along Mundy Road, please note the time parking.

Officer will be patrolling if you do choose to park your limit and areas that are for

VANDALISM WATCH

Please support our parent community and school community in being extra careful around schools – we have had numerous vandalism incidents on the weekends. Please do not put yourselves or your children in danger but do report any suspicious or dangerous behaviour to the RCMP immediately.

Please return the following forms information is as up to date as

- STUDENT VERIFICATION
- EMERGENCY
- MEDIC ALERT Form (if
- CODE OF CONDUCT
- EMAIL ADDRESS



to your child's teacher so that we can ensure our possible:

Form
PREPARDNESS Form
your child has a medical/health concern)

Thank you!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	
21 st	PAC Meeting 7 pm in the library - everyone welcome!
23 rd	Pro D Day - Non Instructional Day for Students
28 th	Picture Day
30 th	Terry Fox Run
<u>OCTOBER</u>	
4 th	Hot Lunch Day coordinated by the PAC
10 th	Thanksgiving Holiday - Schools Closed
20 th	'The Great Shakeout' - Earthquake Drill across BC
21 st	Provincial Pro D Day - Non Instructional Day for Students
26 th	PAC Meeting - Everyone Welcome - 7 pm - Library
	Popcorn Day - coordinated by the PAC
31 st	Hallowe'en Parade in the gym 1 pm (Parents and Guests - pls. view on the stage)
<u>NOVEMBER</u>	
6 th	Daylight Savings Time Ends
10 th	Remembrance Day Assembly 10:45 - Gym
11 th & 14 th	Schools Closed
18 th & 19 th	Municipal Elections - Gym is a polling station both days
25 th	PAC Meeting 9 am to 11 am in the library - everyone welcome!
<u>DECEMBER</u>	
1 st	Story Theatre Presentation in the gym 1 pm
7 th	Popcorn day coordinated by the PAC
16 th	Last day of School before the Winter Break

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Grade 5 Get Active Parent Workshop

The City of Coquitlam is seeking grade 5 parents to take part in a focus group to encourage families to become more active. The information from all focus groups will be used to help promote free community family physical activity pass in the community. Parents will be entered into a draw for a \$100 gift certificate at a local community store. Sponsored by Canada Parks and Recreation Association. For more information contact 604-927-6040 or e-mail: cyinlee@coquitlam.ca.

BC: 373174 9:15am to 10:30am, Monday, September 19 at Innovation Centre - 1207 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam

BC: 373175 7:00pm to 8:15pm, Tuesday, September 20 at Innovation Centre - 1207 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam

BC: 373176 9:15am to 10:30am, Tuesday, September 20 at Poirier Community Centre - 630 Poirier Street, Coquitlam

BC: 373177 7:00pm to 8:15pm, Monday, September 19 at Poirier Community Centre - 630 Poirier Street, Coquitlam

NO COST to register

To register contact 604-927-4386 or online at: www.coquitlam.ca/signmeup. Please quote the barcode (BC) when registering.