



Seaview Community School

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Our mission is to provide safe academic, social and physical learning to all students with the support of the community

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OUR SCHOOL GOAL

To grow students' self-awareness and personal management reinforcing self-regulation skills and ensuring all students thrive at school.

Around Seaview

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Things have continued to be very busy around Seaview with all of our Halloween Fun, the Remembrance Day Assembly, Pajama day and more. Looking ahead this does not seem to be slowing down. Make sure you take a careful read to keep track of all the upcoming events.

Christmas Concert:

This year's Christmas Concert will take place on December 14th. At 1:30 we will have our dress rehearsal and at 6:30 we will have the full show. Parents are invited to the 1:30 dress rehearsal but are asked to understand that this is out first run through of the whole program so there may be some teaching and organizing still taking place. Please see the PAC section for more information about PAC events at the concerts.

Gingerbread Houses and Skating

A few parents have been asking about the Gingerbread house building and skating trip we took as a school last year in December. Although my initial plan was to repeat these events again this year with some minor changes (skating in the evening and gingerbread houses during the day) I have run into a few obstacles. Unfortunately, the gingerbread houses we purchased last year were not available this year (The company was sold, and prices more than doubled). I am still searching for a low-cost gingerbread house supplier but haven't had any luck as of yet. The main reason I wanted to switch the timing for the skating was to allow families to come to the skating event as a family and take a bit of the load of organizing skates and helmets off of myself. Unfortunately, I haven't yet been able to secure an ice sheet at any of the local rinks for an evening event. I will keep you updated if I am able to pull either of these events together.

Report Cards

Along with the new curriculum that has been implemented we are now working on implementing a new provincial reporting order. This means that the regulations around report cards have changed and thus our report cards must change. Our staff has been working with a new "district report card template" and will be using this for our first formal report cards that will go home on December 21st. In January I will be reaching out to you all to ask for any feedback you have regarding the new report cards which will be used to help guide our practice in the future.

Seaview Spirit Wear

If you are hoping to order the new 2017-2018 Seaview Spirit wear the deadline for orders is Monday Nov 27th. The order form is re-attached to this newsletter, and if you would prefer to pay online please see the e-mail from Mrs. Kristjanson sent on Tuesday. As they have the year on them these shirts will only be sold by pre-order and will not be available for sale later in the school year. A few parents let us know that they saw the order form for the "Free T-Shirts" from last year on the School Cash Online website and asked if there were free T-Shirts this year. We are not sure why the old form showed up, however are sorry that there are no free T-Shirts this year.

Wonderland Arts School – “The Carnival of Fairy Tales”

A Seaview family that is involved with this Christmas show has offered some free tickets to Seaview families that may not be able to usually attend this type of event. The show is on Dec 23rd @ 5:00 PM and children who attend are provided a gift as well as entrance to the show. I will conduct a draw next week from families that are interested in attending. Please email me directly if you would like to be considered fpearse@sd43.bc.ca. A flyer is attached.

Traffic Safety

Recently there has been a heightened level of concern in our neighbourhood regarding traffic safety. Although these concerns have involved issues off of school property some have involved drivers who were on their way to our school. If you witness or are involved in unsafe driving acts near the school please contact the Port Moody Police using the non-emergency line (604-461-3456) as soon after the incident as possible.

Overall, I am usually impressed with the care taken by Seaview parents in our school parking lot. That being said it is always good to have a reminder that when driving near schools it is important for everyone to take extra care to ensure student safety.

When driving in the Seaview parking lot I would like to remind parents of a few things:

- When driving in the school parking lot please keep speeds **VERY SLOW** at all times.
- When driving through the round about please always expect students to be in the lot, and stop if you think there is any chance of a student crossing the driving lane of the parking lot.
- When dropping off or picking children up from the school please do not park in the staff parking lot as there are often staff coming and going and when parking and reversing staff are worried about hitting students. The main parking lot offers pull through spots and the drop-off roundabout that ensures a safer drop-off of students.
- Please park in designated parking spots, and do not ‘create your own’ in corners of the lot.

I have been working with the district to have the lines in our lot re-painted, unfortunately prior to the rains coming they were only able to get the Handicap spots re done, however I look forward to new lines in the rest of the lot as soon as the dry weather returns.

Raising Money for Good Causes

Earlier in the year, Mrs. Russell asked her Grade 4/5 students to think of a cause they would like to support; and the kids thought of 4 different areas they would like to raise money for.

At the Craft Fair Saturday, the 'Animal Group' will be selling "cookies in a jar", "M&M cookies in a jar", "brownies in a jar", "friendship soup", hot chocolate mix in a bag, and pancake mix in a bag! All money raised will go to the World Animal Protection charity, who help animals around the world live better lives.

Another group in the class decided to sell the Seaview Spirit Wear that you have seen sample sizing items near the front office. The kids are donating \$1 from each item sold to Kids & Sports, an organization that gives all kids the chance to play sports.

A third group is collecting recycling in the school. There is a 'juice box' bin in each class where the kids can put their recycling such as juice boxes or cans. The money collected from recycling the juice boxes will be donated to Children's hospital to help sick kids and their families.

The fourth group is looking for ways to support literacy growth and awareness in the community and school. They will be organizing a Winter Reading Program for students to participate in over the winter break. They will also be organizing a literacy week in the spring with many fun activities. Keep your eyes and ears open for more information from this group.

The students in division 3 appreciate all the support they have received from the school and community. Without everyone working together, they would not be able to give back so generously.

PAC News

Craft Fair - Sat Nov 25, 2017 from 10am - 4pm

The holidays are fast approaching! Time to get ahead of the shopping season and shop local, support local artisans and marketers, and of course support Seaview at the same time!

- Small concession
- \$2 adult admission (receive door prize ticket)
- Rolling door prizes (skill testing question required)
- \$2 kids make-n-take craft (optional)
- Holiday music
- Vendors needed \$35/table*discount offered for returning vendors

Vendors contact Jennifer Feist 604-771-6342 or feistycreationsjf@gmail.com

Are you willing and able to volunteer at this event? Contact Jennifer Feist and find out how you can help!

Next PAC Meeting

The next PAC meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 5th at 9:20 AM in the Community Room.

A NEW PAC Facebook Page

There is a new PAC Facebook Page called "Seaview Community Elementary PAC Page - Port Moody". In this group, Seaview PAC Executive and parents will share and provide feedback on upcoming and past PAC events, as well as a place to go for PAC information. When the PAC is looking for volunteers for events, those notices will be posted here.

This is a newer page, and PAC is currently adding Seaview parents. If you would like to be a part of this group, please search for the name and request to join! We'd love to see you there!

We understand that not everyone is on Facebook; and PAC information will also come home in the form of a newsletter, plus information will still be in the School newsletter.

Fruit & Veggie program +Milk

Thanks to the BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation, we once again will be receiving free fruits and vegetables for our students to try in the classroom, as well as milk! This is a great opportunity for our kids to try different types of delicious and nutritious fruits and veggies. We already received some delicious local strawberries last week. There is no need to sign up for this program, but please email seviewpacportmoody@gmail.com if your child would like a substitute of soy milk due to a milk allergy.

Here are the upcoming dates for delivery on Tuesday mornings:

Dec 5th - Mandarin oranges

Jan 23rd - Kiwifruit

Feb 6th - Ambrosia Apples

Community News / Events

Seaview Craft Fair Flyer is attached
 Coquitlam-Moody Baseball Association Flyer is attached
 City of Port Moody Holiday Camp Flyer is attached
 Moody Middle School Reunion Flyer is attached
 Wonderland Arts School – “The Carnival of Fairy Tales” Flyer is attached
 Parenting Wisely Course

School Calendar

Our school calendar is available online on our website and will be kept up to date throughout the year. This years’ full calendar will be uploaded within the next week. Please visit our website <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/seaview> to view our full calendar. If you click on the word “Calendar” on the main page you will see a monthly view of our school calendar.

November - December 2017

20	21	22	23 <i>November Birthday Club</i>	24 <i>Non Instructional Day for Curriculum Training School closed</i>
27	28	29	30	Dec. 1 <i>Assembly 9:15 – 10:00</i>
Dec 4	Dec 5 <i>PAC Meeting 9:20 in Community Rm.</i>	Dec 6	Dec 7	Dec 8
Dec 11	Dec 12	Dec 13	Dec 14 <i>Christmas Concert @ 1:30 and 6:30</i>	Dec 15
Dec 18	Dec 19	Dec 20	Dec 21 <i>Term 1 Report Cards going home</i>	Dec 22 <i>Last day of school before Winter break. Returning Jan 8, 2018</i>