



Summit E-News

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians;

Welcome Back to another school year! We have had a very busy and successful startup this year and students have quickly settled in to their class and school routines.

Not only have we welcomed a number of new students to our school community, we have welcomed many new staff members as well. With each new person who joins our community, our school culture is enhanced and enriched.

In addition to welcoming new teachers and support staff, we are also pleased to welcome our new clerical team in the office.

Mrs. Debbie Hamed – Head Secretary
Ms. Lisa Borisoff – Student Records, Attendance and Registration
Ms. Stacey Lundquister – Reception and Attendance

Please feel welcome to drop in at the office to introduce yourself to our new clerical team! Mr. Bozic and I are also always happy to connect and chat with parents when you are in the building.

We are looking forward to another great year working with you in supporting your child's education. The three-year Middle School journey goes by very quickly, so let's get to know one another as soon as we can!

As always, please feel welcome to contact Mr. Bozic or myself with questions and ideas.

Sincerely,

Glenda Speight, Principal

Vice-Principal's Message

It's crazy to think that Halloween is just around the corner – September went by so quickly! In reflecting on how things have been going since the start of the year, I have to say that one of my favorite parts of the day is waving to and speaking with parents and students' family members during the morning and after school rush of vehicle traffic in our parking lot. Believe me, a smile goes a long way ☺.

The number of vehicles that parade through our drop-off and pick-up is extraordinary, and a lot of effort has gone into developing safe and efficient traffic patterns for both mornings and afternoons. In fact, we've created a "Navigating the School Parking Lot" brochure along with detailed diagrams for drop-off and pick-up traffic patterns. To save on paper, please take a moment and read through the brochure and diagrams online at;

<https://tinyurl.com/summittrafficpatterns>

You can also find the information via the Student Pick-up and Drop-Off Procedures link in the ABOUT section on our HOME page. Rain or shine, please help us and your fellow drivers out by following the expectations outlined in the brochure, especially when a traffic supervisor (myself or a teacher) can't be there. Thanks! – Martin Bozic



Coffee & Conversation

All parents are welcome to join us each month for informal yet informative sessions. We take these opportunities to share information with parents about education in our province, our district and our school. At times we have our staff members present, sometimes we have students demonstrating a new skill they have learned or we have district personnel come and present on important topics of interest to parents.

This past Friday we had 57 parents join us as Mr. Roger Raghoobarsingh (Teacher and Orange Team Leader) and Ms. Tamara Sengotta (SD43 Learning Services Teacher) shared details regarding our new report card mandated for use this school year.

The sessions are held each month (usually the last Friday of the month) in our school Library from 9-10am.

Our next session will be held on Friday October 27th. We will be talking further about our new report card and featuring more detailed information around the areas in which students will be self-assessing their growth and learning regarding core competencies (critical thinking, creative thinking, communication and personal/social responsibility).

Please feel welcome to join us!

Early Dismissal Reminders

In you are picking your son or daughter up early from school for an appointment, please note the following protocols;

- ❖ Parents are requested to sign their child out at the office; if you are picking your child up at the end of the day and no parking spots available, the office team will need to speak to the parent/guardian via the phone
- ❖ Please be sure that your child is aware that they are leaving early, and that they plan to meet you at the office. We prefer not having to interrupt classes to call students out.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Action Plan for Learning

We are very excited about our school goal this year and are working hard at helping our students understand themselves better as a learner. The wording of our goal is "To support all students with further understanding themselves as learners and foster connections to their learning and to each other." As staff, we are working on developing our practice to allow students more opportunities to make a connection to the curriculum through their interests. We are also trying to help students learn how to articulate their learning and recognize areas they need to work on through reflections.

Summit Triathletes

Congratulations to our Summit Triathletes on their amazing participation in this year's Scott Creek Triathlon. Competitors ran 2.4 km, cycled 3 km and swam 200 m. Yoda says: "There is no try." Summit Suns say: "You need runners, bike, swim goggles, and passion- then you have a Tri."



School Sports

Our fall sports are well underway at Summit and the practice/game schedule is on our school website. Students only pay a \$15 Athletic Fee (separate from the Activity Fee) once per year, and they are welcome to join as many sports teams as their schedules allow. Sports teams are extra-curricular, and are therefore coached and refereed by staff who volunteer their time. We are very fortunate to have so many staff members willing to volunteer their time and are thankful to the following people:

Cross Country- Ms. Bourget, Mr. Sanderson, Ms. Andrews

Grade 6 Volleyball – Ms. Shaw, Mr. Sanderson, Ms. Lee

Grade 7 Girls Volleyball – Ms. Shaw, Mrs. Bremner

Grade 7 Boys Volleyball – Ms. Malish

Grade 8 Girls Volleyball – Ms. Seres, Mr. Raghoobarsingh, Ms. Suarez Bastias, Mr. Wico

Grade 8 Boys Volleyball – Ms. Dziwak

Field Hockey – Mr. Heinrichs, Mrs. Greissel

Swim Team – Mrs. Pope, Ms. White, Mr. Healy

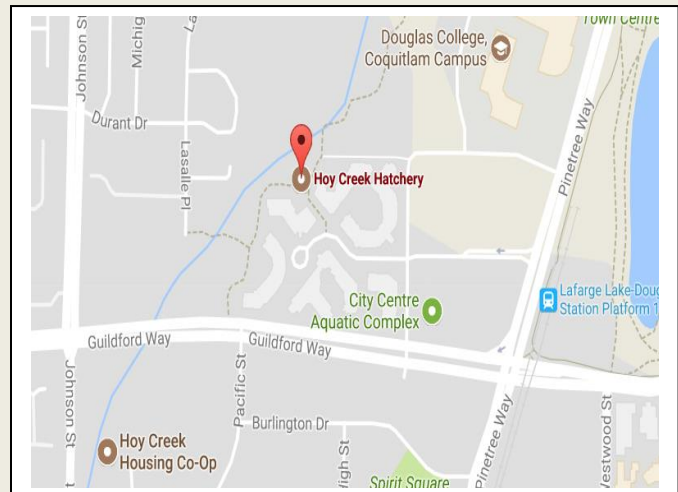
Referees – Mr. Fouquette, Ms. Malish, Ms. Arif, Ms. Kim, Mr. Healy, Mrs. Pope, Ms. Shaw



Salmon Come Home Festival

Our annual SALMON COME HOME festival is being held Sunday, October 22nd and celebrates the return of the salmon to Hoy Creek. The free family event runs from 11am to 3pm at the Hoy Creek Hatchery with many participating community groups sharing educational information. The highlight is viewing the returning chum salmon, but there are also live salmon demonstrations, musical entertainment, interactive children's activities, food, and educational exhibits.

Dress for the weather as the event runs rain or shine! The Hoy Creek Hatchery is located on Hoy Creek Trail Linear Park, west of the City Centre Aquatic Complex at the corner of Pinetree and Guildford Way. →



Go Girls! Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds

Go Girls is an exciting mentoring program being offered through Big Sisters of BC here at Summit Middle for *girls* in grades 6 & 7. The main goal of the program is to provide girls with information and support to develop an appreciation of the benefits of active living, balanced eating and feeling good!...

The program is eight weeks long and will begin on; Tuesday October 10th through November 28th from 3:00 – 5:00pm

Game On!

Game on is a similar program being offered through Big Brothers of BC here at Summit for *boys* in grades 6 & 7. Through non-traditional physical activities, complemented with healthy eating support, participants are engaged in life skills, communication and emotional health discussions designed to engage them in the pursuit of life-long healthy lifestyles.

The program is seven weeks long and will begin on; Monday October 16th through November 27th from 3:00 – 4:30pm

For more information and registration forms for both of these programs contact:

Cheryl Perry: 604-944-8273 cperry@sd43.bc.ca

Author Visit – Shane Peacock

On Friday November 3rd author Shane Peacock will be visiting our school. Mr. Peacock is an award-winning author of plays, biographies, and books such as “The Boy Sherlock Holmes” series, and “Last Message” (Seven, the series and prequels project). Students will attend a presentation and have an opportunity to ask questions and engage with author. The library is also organizing an Author Welcoming Committee. Any interested students or parents may join.



Parent E-forms

If you haven't had the chance to complete the online Parent E-forms (School Policy, Emergency release, volunteer forms etc.) please click the following link; <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/summit/Pages/default.aspx> to complete them as soon as possible.



School Cash online

As you may know, we have an online payment system that allows you to view and pay for your child's school activities such as activity fee, fieldtrips, etc., safely and conveniently. If you haven't already done so, we encourage you to register your account online.

Here's how to get started:

- 1) Go to <https://sd43.schoolscashonline.com>. Click on "Get Started Today"
- 2) Create your account
 - a. Enter first and last name; click continue
 - b. Enter fields: address, phone number, email address; click continue
 - c. Choose a password and security question
 - d. Make sure to OPT IN to receiving email notifications for updated school information



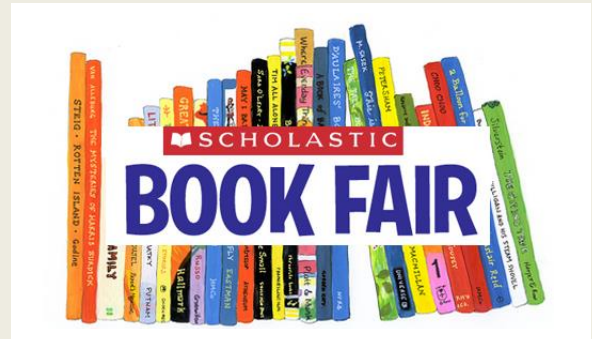
Once you have registered, you will receive a confirmation email that you have registered your account. You will then have to go back into the link in that email to attach your child/ren to your account. You can attach ALL your children, no matter what school they are in in the district, choosing the appropriate school from the dropdown for each child. You will be required to enter their legal first and last name and date of birth.

Thank you for registering your account online as soon as possible.

Scholastic Book Fair

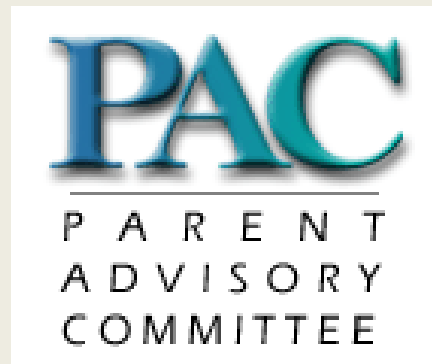
A big thank you to all the parents, students and staff who supported our school library by purchasing items at our Scholastic Book Fair last week. From the fair, the library chose several new resources. A very special thanks to all the hard-working volunteers who helped make this possible. We couldn't have done it without you!

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PAC Contact

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	SUMMIT MIDDLE Calendar
	2017-2018
	October 2017
9	Thanksgiving Day (School closed)
16	PAC meeting 7pm
17	Interim reports go home
18	Photo retakes and Class photos
20	Pro D Day (No School)
24	Squeak and Squawk Music Concert
27	Coffee and Conversation 9-10am
	November 2017
2	Grade 6 Immunizations
3	Author visit—Shane Peacock
9	Remembrance Day Assembly 10:45am
10	District Closure (No School)
13	Stat Holiday—Remembrance Day (No school)
24	Ministry Curriculum Implementation Day (No School)
28	Grade 5 Volleyball Jamboree 3:15-5:30pm
	December 2017
1	Coffee and Conversation 9-10am
7	Term 1 Report Cards go home
11	PAC meeting 7pm
14	Music Concert 7-8pm
15	Music Concert 9:00-9:45am
22	Last day of school prior to Winter break
	January 2018
8	Schools Re-Opens
15	PAC meeting 7pm
26	Coffee and Conversation 9-10am
26	Grade 8 Students visit Secondary Schools
29	Pro-D Day (School-based) (No school)
	February 2018
9	District Closure (No School)
12	B.C. Family Day
19	PAC meeting 7pm
20	Student Led Conference—early dismissal 2pm
21	Student Led Conference—early dismissal 2pm
23	District Pro D day (No School)
	March 2018
2	Coffee and Conversation 9-10am
16	Last day of school prior to Spring Break
30	Good Friday (School Closed)
	April 2018
2	Easter Monday (School closed)
3	School Reopens
16	PAC meeting 7pm
20	District Pro D Day (No School)
27	Coffee and Conversation 9-10am
	May 2018
10	Parent Appreciation Tea
21	Victoria Day (School Closed)
25	Coffee and Conversation 9-10am
28	Pro-D Day (School-based) (School closed)
	June 2018
11	PAC meeting 7pm
14	Music Concert 7-8pm
15	Music Concert 8:45-9:45am
27	Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony
28	Report Card pick up & Last Day of School
29	Administrative Day—school is not in session