



# Summit E-News

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**MISSION STATEMENT:** "A Journey to Success" Our motto captures our belief that our main purpose is to help students become responsible citizens, lifelong learners, and healthy, caring, ethical, and intellectually reflective individuals.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As Spring Break is on the horizon, Daylight Savings time coming into effect on March 13th and the first day of Spring officially taking place on March 20th....Spring is in the air!

Along with the arrival of Spring, we also hope to see some sunny skies to help those flowers and shrubs burst into bloom.

As you are aware, along with the warmer weather, we often experience students at middle school wanting to wear clothing to school that is more appropriate for the beach or park setting. We will be reminding our students of the Dress Code which is published in our school planner. For your convenience, I am including a copy of the dress code in this newsletter. We would appreciate your support in providing guidance to your son or daughter with respect to compliance with the dress code. Thank you in advance for your support.

I hope that you enjoy our two week Spring Break! If you are travelling with your family, we wish you safe travels. We are looking forward to seeing everyone back at school for Tuesday, March 29th. And, I look forward to meeting parents during our parent-teacher conferences/ student-led conferences scheduled for April 6th.

Sincerely,

*Glenda Speight*

Principal



## DRESS CODE - CLOTHING

The manner of dress at school and school functions is expected to meet customary and generally accepted standards of suitability. Students, staff, and guests should expect a level of personal security and comfort, and students should be able to move freely without embarrassment to themselves or others in the building. For this reason, students should be dressed appropriately for class and school activities. This requires that shorts, tops, skirts, jeans, etc. are long enough so that movement can occur without exposing one's body. Students are reminded of the following:

- Dress and grooming may not create health or safety problems for the student or others who attend or work in the school
- Hats and sunglasses are not to be worn in the school corridors or classrooms
- T-shirts, blouses, and tops are expected to fully cover the chest as well as the waist of skirts and pants; underwear should not be visible
- Shorts and skirts should be an appropriate length for school
- A student's appearance must not disrupt or interfere with the educational process
- Clothing items may not emphasize alcohol, drugs, tobacco, profanity, or anything else in poor taste

**Note:** Aerosol containers (colognes, perfume, mists, and hairspray for example) are not permitted at school. Please avoid the use of heavily scented non-aerosols as well.

Source: Code of Conduct, page 26 of Student Planner

## CLASS PLACEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER

There are many considerations that we keep in mind when organizing classes for the next school year. Some of the factors include class composition, students' strengths and needs, gender, learning styles and class size.

Our staff will spend many hours organizing classes for the fall. It is a very involved process, and one which we value and take very seriously.

Please understand that if you feel the need to provide input regarding your child's placement, you are required to put your request, in writing, to Mrs. Speight (letter format only, no emails please). Please be sure to contact Mrs. Speight prior to May 16th. We will not be in a position to make changes to classes in the fall, nor are we able to guarantee that your request will be accommodated even though you make contact early.

## REMINDER - MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Friday, March 25th - Good Friday

Monday, March 28th - Easter Monday

These holidays are included within Spring Break.  
(set your clock ahead 1 hour on March 13th)

School is back in session on Tuesday, March 29th.

**REPORT CARDS AND PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

**April 6th 2:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

Term Two report cards will be issued on **Thursday, March 10th**. We have planned an early dismissal at 2 p.m. for **Wednesday April 6th** which will allow an opportunity for parent-teacher interviews. Some of our teams are considering using a slightly different format, and are planning to work with students to prepare for Student Led Conferences. Please watch for information coming home with your son or daughter regarding either interviews and/or Student Led Conferences as a follow up to the Term Two reports being issued.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

Thanks to our PAC members, we will be hosting our second fair of this school year. This Book Fair will run from April 6th to 13th, and will be open for parents during our early dismissal day on April 6th.

We received a generous profit of \$1500 worth of Scholastic Books from our Book Fair held last fall. Our librarian Mrs. Elkan has processed the books and they are available for students to sign out.

**EASTER HAMPER DRIVE**

In December, parents and students generously donated food items for the SHARE food bank. At this time of year, SHARE is often running glow on many items and they need to be replenished. In particular, many staples such as: oil, sugar, and flour are in high demand. Students and staff, in conjunction with our PAC, are having another food drive so that we can donate an Easter hamper to SHARE. Each division will be given a notice that specifies what food items that division is collecting (for example, pasta). Of course, all donations are welcome. A notice will be going home with your child tomorrow. We will be collecting items until Wednesday, March 9th, 2016. Thank you in advance for your support.

**VAPING**

Many teens are curious about and trying a new form of smoking, called vaping. Vaping consists of battery powered electronic devices that vaporize liquids which may contain harmful chemicals. Vape pens, electronic cigarettes, and hookah pens are all forms of vaping devices being sold at your local gas stations and convenience stores claiming to be an alternative to cigarettes. Many teens believe that vaping is safer than cigarettes because they are just inhaling "fruity water", but the long term effects of vaping have not yet been determined. Many health professionals agree that vaping can be harmful to the human body. Inhaling toxic chemicals into the body at various heat temperatures can be dangerous. Possible side effects include: inflammation of lungs, narrowing of airways, allergic reactions, and shortness of breath. Vaping or buying/selling vaporizers is not allowed at school under any circumstances. Please discuss this matter with your child.

**SCHOOL CALENDAR 2015-2016**

<b>MARCH 2016</b>	
07	PAC Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
10	Second Formal Report sent home
11	Summit Talent Show <b>POSTPONED</b>
11	Last Day of school before Spring Break
14-28	<b>Spring Break</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>Easter Monday</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>School Re-Opens (Tuesday)</b>
<b>APRIL 2016</b>	
04	PAC Meeting 7:00 p.m.
06	<b>Parent-Teacher Interviews or Student Led Conferences Early Dismissal 2:00 p.m.</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Pro-D Day (District)</b>
18	Grade 5 Parent Information Night
<b>MAY 2016</b>	
02	PAC Meeting 7:00 p.m.
<b>13</b>	<b>Curriculum In-service Day (District) School not in session</b>
18	Grade 6 Immunization
<b>23</b>	<b>Victoria Day Holiday</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Pro-D Day (School) School not in session</b>
<b>JUNE 2016</b>	
03	Grade 6 Immunization (make up)
06	PAC Meeting 7:00 p.m.
16	Year End Band Concert 7:00 p.m.
28	Grade 8 Leaving Event
29	Final Formal Reports handed out (9:00-9:30 am)
30	Administrative Day <b>school is not in session</b>

**Nine Things All Children Need to Be Resilient**

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| 1. Structure                             | 7. A sense of belonging, spirituality, and life purpose |
| 2. Consequences                          | 8. Rights and responsibilities                          |
| 3. Parent-child connections              | 9. Safety and support                                   |
| 4. Lots and lots of strong relationships |   |
| 5. A powerful identity                   |   |
| 6. A sense of control                    |   |

## Satisfaction Surveys

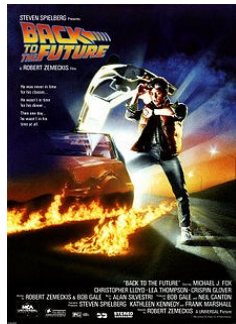
Each year the Ministry of Education asks that students, teachers, and parents complete a brief survey about student learning. Parents are invited to take this survey, which can be completed online in about 10 minutes. Please follow the link below and choose the "Direct Access" option as no logon number is required. Our grade 7 students will be completing this survey on March 30<sup>th</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>. Parents should complete the survey by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016

The parent survey can be found at:

<https://www.awinfosys.com/surveyfull1/central/main/ParentSurvey.asp>

## GLENEAGLE'S FIRST EVER OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT See "Back to the Future" Under the Stars!!!

Join us for SD43's first ever outdoor movie night at Gleneagle Secondary! This event is being hosted by Gleneagle's Con-X Leadership group to raise funds and awareness for an amazing non-profit organization called Project L.O.V.E (Letting Our Voices Empower). It was started by a local Sd43 student to help a small community in Zambia. Visit the website for more information <http://www.projectloveschool.org/>.



**Movie Night is: April 13th (back up date is April 20th)**

**Movie: Back to the Future**

**On a Giant 3 story screen (just like Stanley Park movies)**

**Concession (popcorn, cotton candy, coffee etc.)**

**Cost: Students \$5 and adults \$7**

Bring all of your family, friends, neighbors, whoever you'd like and help us support this great cause!

Chairs, blankets and sleeping bags are encouraged.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## Lost & Found Items

We now have a central location in which to display clothing items, located just around the corner from the General Office. We have bins for shoes/lunch kits/school supplies that students have left behind in various areas of the school. Students (and parents!) are encouraged to check the Lost and Found area for items that have gone missing.

Every two weeks, our Youth Worker, Cheryl Perry, will see that the clothing is folded and bagged. We will hold onto the bagged items for two additional weeks before removing them from the school.

**ONE MORE THING:~)! Please remember to include a fork or spoon in your child's lunch bag if they require a utensil! We do not carry a supply of plastic forks/spoons in the office. Thanks for remembering that 'one more thing'!**



## 2016 ONLINE Registration for . . . Middle School opens 6AM Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

Middle Skill Building

**Dates:** Tuesday July 12 to Friday July 29

**Time:** 8:45 AM to 11:45 AM daily.

**Location:** Hillcrest, Kway, & Scott Creek

Grade 9 & 10 Skill Building\*

**Dates:** Tuesday July 12 to Friday July 29

**Time:** 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM daily

**Location:** Charles Best

▲ Students must have an account with our online system **BEFORE** registering for courses.

▲ Please visit our website and create/update your account now.

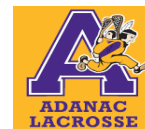
▲ To create an account you will need your child's PEN number, which is available at your home school.

**Middle Skill Building:** Art, Band, Computers, Creative Writing, Drama, English Language Arts, English for Beginners, French Language Arts (Kway only), Math, Montessori, Science, and more.

**\*Secondary Skill Building:** English, Math, and Science 9, PE/Leadership, and Tech Ed (for students moving into Gr 7 or 8).

*See website for full details!*

[www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca](http://www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca)



## Coquitlam Minor Lacrosse Registration is Open for New and Returning Players!

Open to Coquitlam Residents only. Check our website for details.

[http://www.coquitlamlacrosse.ca/default.aspx?  
p=registrationinformation](http://www.coquitlamlacrosse.ca/default.aspx?p=registrationinformation)

**The following documentation must**

**be provided to have registration accepted:**

Proof of residency - a hydro, gas or property tax bill  
Player's Care Card

New Player Must Provide a Copy of Birth Certificate

Registrar email: [rregistrar@coquitlamlacrosse.ca](mailto:rregistrar@coquitlamlacrosse.ca)

**Check our website for details!!** [www.coquitlamlacrosse.ca](http://www.coquitlamlacrosse.ca)

## KidSport's Bi-Annual Used Sporting Goods Sale

**When:** Saturday, March 5th **Time:** 10:00am – 1:00pm

**Where:** Riverside Secondary

2215 Reeve St, Port Coquitlam

Amazing deals on all types of quality sporting goods – all for a great cause! For more info: [www.kidsporttricity.ca](http://www.kidsporttricity.ca)