

# WALTON ELEMENTARY

MAY 20, 2015

## HEARTS AND MINDS AT WALTON

**Sports Day is  
Friday, June  
5th!**

How are we doing with Social Emotional Learning?

It is still a relatively new goal for our school and the teachers have been exploring ways to move our students forward.

We will be using the Hearts and Mind Index to establish a baseline for our students. The Hearts and Mind index comes from the Dalai Lama Centre.

Unlike numeracy, reading, writing or social studies; assessing SEL is more nebulous. We are pleased to have found a tool that will help establish a data baseline for our students.

We will publish our school wide results soon!

The five areas that we are looking at are:

Walton Elementary will host our annual Sports Day on Friday, June 5th. We will connect our Jump Rope for Heart campaign as a station. Each child will participate in a skipping station. More details to follow!



**GETS ALONG WITH OTHERS** - the ability to form positive and healthy relationships with peers and adults.

**COMPASSIONATE AND KIND** - the ability to be aware of other people's emotions and a desire to help when a person is in need.

**SOLVES PROBLEMS PEACEFULLY** - the ability to behave in a peaceful and respectful way in a variety of situations and relationships.

**SECURE AND CALM** - the ability to take part in daily activities and approach new situations without being overwhelmed with worries, sadness or anxiety.

**ALERT AND ENGAGED** - the ability to stay calm, focused and alert; to demonstrate self-control and to slow down and think before acting.

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Professional Day, Monday, June 15th
- Partners in Education Luncheon, Tuesday, June 16th
- Grade 5 Farewell Ceremony, Friday, June 19th at 10:30am
- Last Day of School for Students is Thursday, June 25th.

## JOIN US FOR SPORTS DAY, FRIDAY, JUNE 5TH



WHAT'S GOING ON AT WALTON?

**Field Trips**

Thank you to the Walton PAC for the generous support of the various field trips that will happen. Mrs. Shum and Mrs. Palmer's Grade 3 class visited Chinatown. Their classes participated in a Tai Chi activity!



**Helping Out!**

Thanks to Mr. Ross' Grade 4/5 class for taking the responsibility to clean our school grounds! The students have been taking the initiative to pick up litter outside!



**The Canadian Flag**

Mrs. Howells Grade 2 class honoured our Canadian Flag with a Citizenship ceremony. The class has been studying Canada!



**YOUTH CHINESE TEST MANDARIN BILINGUAL UPDATE**

Walton students in Grades 4 and 5 have been offered the opportunity to write the Youth Chinese Test on Saturday, May 30th.

The YCT is a standardized assessment used to measure students' understand of written and oral writing in Chinese.

The Mandarin Bilingual Program in Edmonton use the YCT to assess their students' language skills.

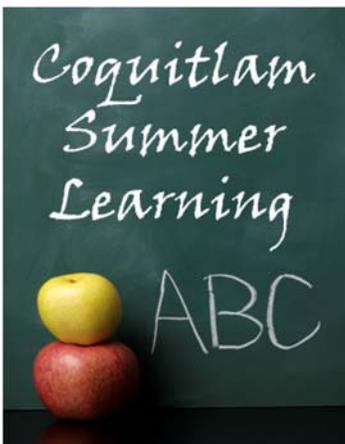
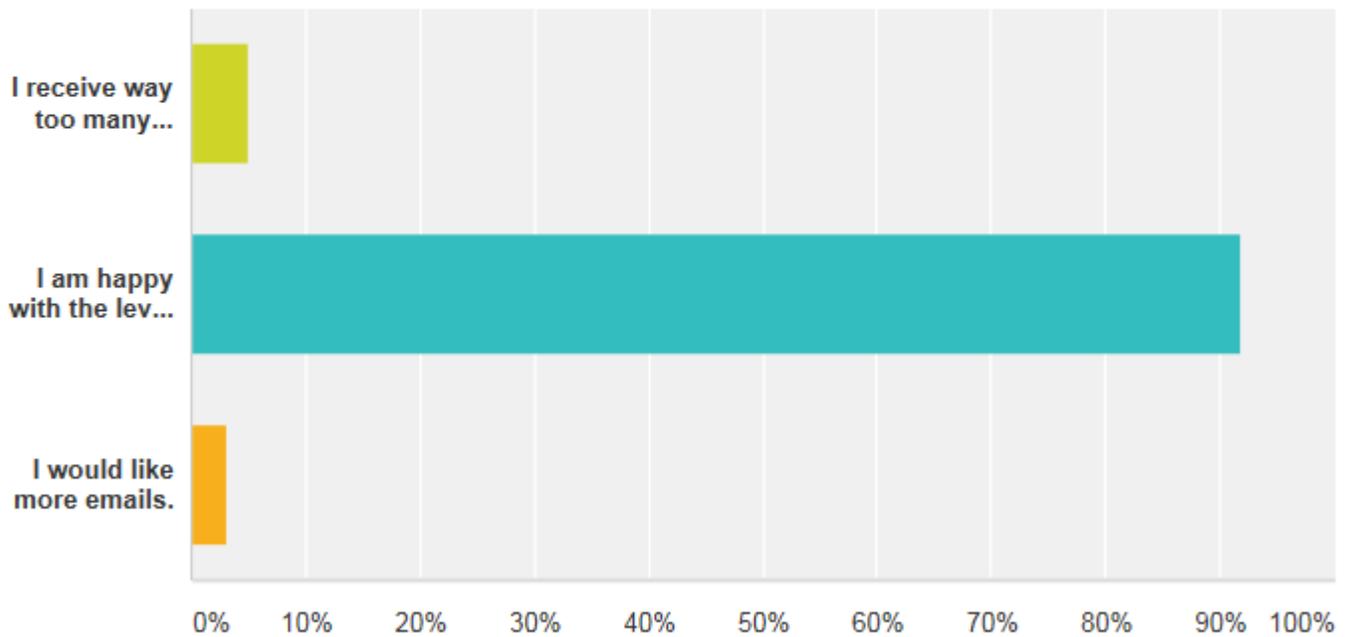
This will be first time our Mandarin class will attempt the test.

## COMMUNICATION SURVEY RESULT

Last November, Mr. Mah engaged the parent community with an impromptu, non-scientific survey about how they learn about school news. We'll reprint parts of the survey over the course of the year. The results are based on 100 responses.

### In regards to the frequency of emails from Mr. Mah, which statement summarizes your feelings.

Answered: 98 Skipped: 2



#### SUMMER LEARNING 2015 ONLINE Registration Dates (6:00 a.m. Opening)

Elementary Skill Building: May 26<sup>th</sup>

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.

Arts, French Immersion, Reading & Writing, Montessori, Math, Science and Kindergarten-to-Grade 1 Transition! See website for full details!

Program Dates: July 7 to July 24

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

We are offering courses in Fine

# WALTON WILDCATS

## At the Track Meet

Thanks to all of the Grade 3, 4 and 5 teachers for coaching Track Attack! We also extended our students' training by hosting additional practices. Thanks to Mrs. Sadowski for coordinating our Track and Field program.



# COMO LAKE

## Relays



# May 2015

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Fri

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					1	2 <i>Mother's Day Event at Walton</i>
3	4 <i>PAC Meeting at 6:45</i>	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 <i>Welcome to Kindergarten 5:30-6:30</i>	14	15 <i>Pro. D.</i>	16
17	18 <i>Victoria Day</i>	19 <i>Track Meet</i>	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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# June 2015

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<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> <i>Last Day</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>				