

**Walton
Elementary**

Walton Elementary School

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Class Charter Celebration!

**Student Led
Conferences
April 27 &
28.
Students
will dismiss
at 1:45pm**



The Gallery and Video will be on display during Student Led Conferences on April 27 and 28th. Remember that we dismiss at 1:45pm on both days!

The Class Charter Gallery:
Stroll through images of all 24 Class Charters. Look at how similar they are. Look at how different they are. The Gallery will be hosted in the library.

On April 27 and 28th, we invite the Walton community to share the success of our accomplishments.

Part of our plan was for each class to create a Class Charter this year.

This is huge.

This is epic.

In order to celebrate this success, we'd like to invite parents to our Class Charter Gallery and to watch an 11 minute video that documents all 24 Class Charters.

Sit in our gymnasium to watch the 11 minute video that documents our work on Class Charters. Each division is represented in the video!

Regards,

Mr. C. Mah

Two years ago, our school selected a Social Emotional Learning Goal. This goal set out to improve our students' abilities to manage their emotions, which would reduce behaviours and consequently improve the focus on learning.

**Emergency
Drill on
Wednesday
May 4th.**

**See Page 2
for details.**

Revised Curriculum Information Night, May 19

The staff of Walton Elementary will host a Parent Information Evening on the Revised Curriculum on Thursday, May 19th, 7:00-8:00on

This will be presented in a workshop manner so parents can receive the same experiences and information that our

staff has undertaken.

The purpose is to inform parents of the upcoming new curriculum!

Plan on your babysitter now! This event is only intended for parents!

*You're
Invited!*

Watch your email inboxes for more information.

Emergency Release Drill on May 4th at 2pm!

Walton Elementary will be part of the School District #43 Emergency Release Drill on Wednesday, May 4th.

We will simulate a real emergency to test our school community's response to a large scale disaster. We are asking parents to make every reasonable effort to participate in this drill.

The drill will end at 2:45pm. Any child remaining will dismiss from the field

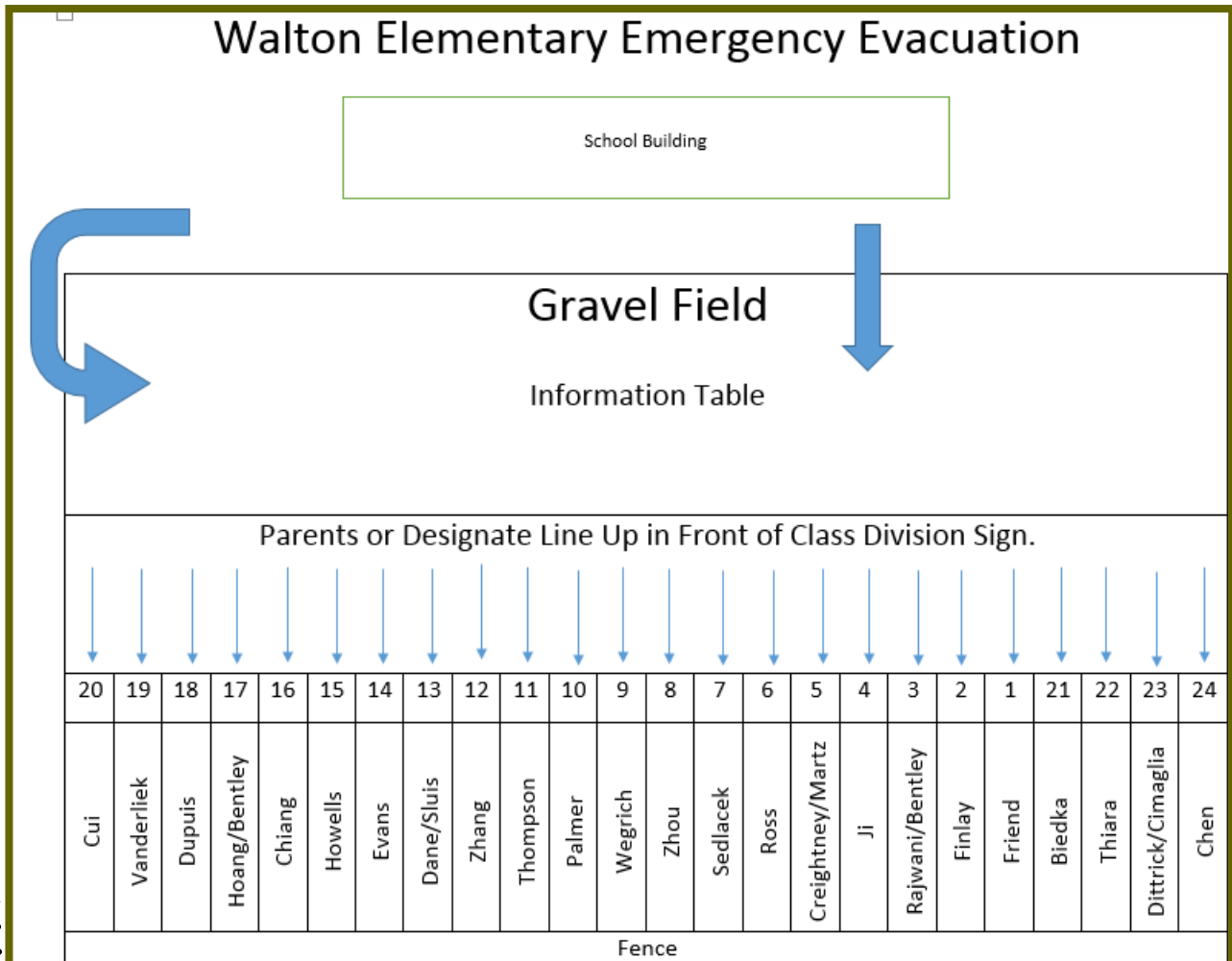
Please ensure that your emergency contacts are updated at the school.

We cannot release your child to anyone NOT listed as a contact.

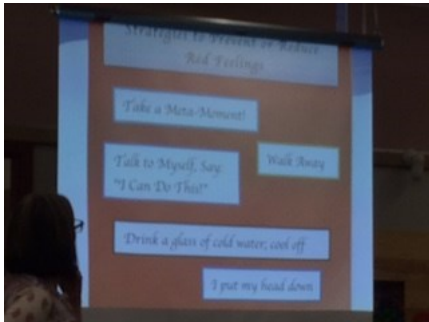
Parents will need to make sure either they or their emergency contacts are available to pick up their child. In order to ensure a safe and orderly environment, we are asking parents to follow these procedures:

Procedure:

- Students will duck/cover and then evacuate to the field. (See map.)
- Announcement made through Twitter.
- Parents/Contacts will line up in front of their child's division in order to retrieve him/her.
- If a parent has more than one child, he/she will have to get in line again.
- Once the child is retrieved, parent/contact/child should vacate immediately.
- If the teacher does not have your contact info, the contact is to report to the Information Table for assistance.



What's Going On at Walton?



Clockwise:

- The Walton Garden Beds planted! Ian Lai from the Richmond School Yard Society has been working with Mrs. Dupuis, Ms. Howells, Ms. Biedka and Ms. Cui's class have been participating.
- Ms. Biedka's class waters the garden bed!
- High jump practice during Track Attack Day on Thursday, April 14th
- Natasha gets ready to throw the discus.
- Ms. Chen is our new Mandarin Kindergarten teacher! Ms. Suen is on maternity leave.
- Walton Staff learning about Mood Meters at our April 15th Professional Day.
- Walton PAC and Popcorn Day!



News from Around Walton!

Track and Field season has begun.

We kicked off our season with a one day Track Attack Day on April 14th for students in Grades 3, 4 and 5. The purpose was to expose our students to the different track and field events. Track practices will begin on the week of April 25th. Make sure the permission forms are returned. A copy of the schedule is on the last page of this newsletter. Walton Elementary will participate in the District Track Meet on Wednesday, May 25th.

Student Led Conferences, April 27 & 28

As part of our reporting process, students will be sharing their learning with their parents. Please do not bring

younger siblings into the room as it can be distracting. Teachers will be communicating a schedule of available times with parents. All students will dismiss at 1:45pm on both days.

Gifted Testing

There will be no gifted testing at Grade 2 this year. The reason? The district has changed the test used to assess children in their gifted abilities. We are no longer assessing children at Grade 2. One of the changes is the age at assessment. Students in Grade 3 will receive the COG AT test. The older CTCS was administered to last year to the Grade 2s. Therefore there will be no testing this year.

Looking Ahead to 2016-2017

Parents are able to submit requests for their child's placement for September 2016. Requests should outline educational reasons for the child's placement. Requests that specify a teacher or other students will not be accepted. We cannot guarantee that requests can be accommodated. Please submit requests in writing no later than April 29th.

Congratulations Ms. Suen!

We are happy to share that Ms. Suen had a baby boy over Spring Break! Welcome baby Kayden!

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17	18	19	20 <i>The 80's Theme Day</i>	21	22	23
24	25 <i>Public Speaking Finals, 9:00-11:00</i>	26	27 <i>Early Dismissal for ALL students at 1:45</i>	28 <i>Early Dismissal for ALL students at 1:45</i>	29	30

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*Emergency
Release Drill
in afternoon.
More details
to follow.*

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*Welcome to
Kindergarten,
5:30-6:30*

*Parent Work-
shop on New
Curriculum,
7:00-8:00pm*

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*Victoria
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*PAC Meet-
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*District
Track
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June 2016

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12	13 <i>Pro. D.</i>	14 <i>PAC Meeting at 6:45</i>	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 <i>Gr. 5 Timberline Ranch Trip</i>	23	24 <i>Grade 5 Farewell</i>	25
26	27	28	29 <i>Farewell Assembly 3rd Report Card. Last Day for Students</i>	30		



2016 ONLINE Registration for . . . Elementary Skill Building opens 6AM, Tuesday, April 26th

- ▲ 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.

We are offering courses in Fine Arts, French Immersion, Montessori, Reading & Writing, Math, Science, Kindergarten-to-Grade 1 Transition and more.

Dates: Tuesday July 12 to Friday July 29

Times: 9 AM to 12 PM Monday to Friday

Locations: 7 elementary locations - see website.

See website for full details!

www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca



WALTON TRACK and FIELD '16

8:15- 8:45	Sadowski/Dane/Zhang 100m Gr.3, 4, 5 Boys & Girls Discus Gr. 5 Boys and Girls Sedlacek/Sluis	Ross/Bentley Shot Put Gr.4, 5 Boys & Girls High Jump Gr. 3 Boys and Girls Mah/Evans	Dane/Howells/Korbely 100m Gr. 3,4,5 Boys and Girls Discus Gr. 5 Boys and Girls Sedlacek/Sluis	Ross/Bentley Shot Put Gr. 4,5 Girls & Boys High Jump Gr. 3 Boys and Girls Mah/Evans/Thompson	Sadowski/Wegrich 100m Gr. 3,4,5 Boys and Girls
	Friend/Creightnev High Jump Gr. 5 Boys/Girls Long Jump Gr. 3, 4 Girls/Boys Chen/Zhou/Augustyn.	Rajwani/Sedlacek High Jump Gr. 4 Girls/Boys Long Jump Gr. 5 Boys/Girls Zhou/Jeanneau	Friend/Creightnev High Jump Gr. 5 Boys/Girls Long Jump Gr. 3, 4 Girls/Boys Chen/Jeanneau/Augustyn.	Raiwani/Sedlacek High Jump Gr. 4 Girls/Boys Long Jump Gr. 5 Boys/Girls Zhou/Jeanneau.	
2:45 - 3:15		Friend/Creightnev 400m & 800m &1500m Gr. 3,4,5 Boys and Girls		Friend/Marks/Sadowski 400m & 800m & 1500m Gr. 3,4,5 Boys and Girls	
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday



Hearts and Mind Index: A Parent's Perspective is now complete! Thank you for completing the surveys. 50% of our population completed a survey for their child!

The teachers will be completing the same survey shortly. The survey is part of our Action Plan for Learning.

This will give us a more complete picture of the children at Walton Elementary.

The survey will help us set our plans for next year. The results will be shared soon!