

THE 2 WEEK PEEK



Thursday, April 28, 2016

Playground Grand Opening Event Friday, May 6 at 1 p.m.



Emergency Preparedness

Rochester's Emergency Release Drill is on 12 May at 2:10. Detailed information concerning the drill procedure and pick up areas was sent via email yesterday and posted on our website



Help Rochester by clearing out your closets!

The Coquitlam Firefighters Charitable Society is the primary sponsor of Rochester's *Breakfast Buddies Program*. Their most recent fundraising initiative is the FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS CLOTHING DRIVE. The great part of this initiative is that it's just so easy!

All you need to do is put aside any unwanted clothing, bag it up and bring it to the school any day between Monday, May 2nd and Thursday May 5th.

The Firefighters will pick up your donations on the 5th and convert the old clothing into cash for our *Breakfast Buddies Program*.



Playground Update: Grand Opening Event 6 May

It's time to celebrate the new playground on Friday, May 6 at 1:00. We will gather in our gym for a short assembly before moving to the playground and a ribbon cutting ceremony. Coquitlam Firefighters will BBQ hotdogs for everyone attending. An invitation was sent home earlier this week. We hope to see you there.

Reverse Lunch Under Review – Feedback Needed!

Late last year, our school switched to a *reverse lunch format* whereby children played first and then ate – playtime 12:10 – 12:35/eating time 12:35-12:55.

This framework has been in effect for all of this school year. We are now reviewing the reverse lunch format and are looking for feedback from children, parents and staff. Your RPAC executive team recently prepared an online parent survey. We will survey all staff as well as students in the days ahead. Please take a few moments to do the parent survey at the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/W3LHVZ5>

New Curriculum Training Day #2 for Teachers

You may recall that in a previous issue of the 2 WEEK PEEK I explained the addition of 2 days of teacher training set by the Ministry of Education. The first of these days was back in February and the second day is Friday, May 13th.

Rochester School goes to Maillard Middle on 17 May

Our entire school is walking to Maillard Middle School on 17 May to watch a live performance of Willy Wonka.

Parent Appreciation Breakfast – You are invited

Parents, we want to say thank you for all that YOU do for the Rochester community. Please join other parents in our gym on Thursday, June 9th any time between 9:00 and 10:00 for breakfast, entertainment, and community spirit.

Care, Respect, Belonging, Service to Others

LOOKING AHEAD...

Tuesday, May 3rd Spirit Day – Dress up as your favorite book character

May 3, 4 and 5th Scholastic book fair in Library – 3:15pm-4:30pm

Wednesday, May 4th Rochester Flower Sale Pick up in Schoolhouse side parking Lot 2:45 – 4:15

Friday, May 6th Rochester Playground Grand Opening Event at 1 p.m. in the GYM

Wednesday, May 11^{th-27th} (wed/Fri except May 13) Martial Arts Lunch Program

Thursday, May 12th Whole School Emergency Release of Students 2:10 – 3:00

Friday, May 13th Teacher Training Day – **no students in session**

Tuesday, May 17th Rochester School attends Willy Wonka Performance at Maillard Middle

Wednesday, May 18th Emerg. Prep. Hold and Secure Lockdown Drill

Friday, May 20th Last day of Rocket Runners

Tuesday, May 24th Track Meet 830-330 @ Percy Perry Stadium

Thursday, June 2nd Lunch box afternoon performance 130

Friday, June 3rd Lunch Box evening performance 730pm

Monday, May 30, 31, and June 1st – Portable Planetarium Program Comes to Rochester

Thursday, June 9th Parent Appreciation Breakfast 9:00-10:00

Tuesday, June 14th Sports Day

Wednesday, June 15th Grade 5 Sasamat Lake Trip

Wednesday, June 22nd Grade 5 Leaving Assembly 9:30 and Reception to follow

Tuesday, June 28th Year End Leaving Assembly time TBA

Wednesday, June 29th **Last Day of Classes for students**

Thursday, June 30th Last Day for teachers

Monday, August 29th Office reopens

BOSTON PIZZA SUPPORTS ROCHESTER

If you or anyone you knows eats at Boston Pizza Maillardville you can help our school. Simply write the name "ROCHESTER ELEMETARY" on your receipt and deposit in the receptacle located by the hostess desk at the entry.