

# THE 2 WEEK PEEK



Thursday, June 9, 2016

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**Last day of school for students – Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> Dismissal at 12:15**

My apologies that our usual 2 Week Peek turned into a “3 Week Peek” but it’s June, it’s busy and everything you need to know for the last few weeks of school are in these pages!

### **Almost \$10,000.00 in grant money this year!**

Our Grant Writing Committee lead by Dept. Head Taryn Harms is responsible for gaining almost \$10,000 in various sports equipment and green grants this year. We are now working with SD43 on a three stage plan to remedy the shade issues and aesthetics of our outside playground and school entry areas.

A big part of our grant earnings will be allocated to planting shade trees around the new playground site. Planting is expected to occur in the fall. As well, the eye sore known as “sad slope” will be addressed. This is the dirt hill that slopes from our gym towards the basketball court. We are in need of someone in the architectural landscape field to help us with planning and designing the slope. If you know anyone out there, please let us know!

This week, the heat and light issues in the windowed hallway in our upper balcony area were addressed with the installation of new solar window film. The reduction in heat and brightness is noticeable. I also learned this week that our much anticipated exterior window roll down blinds are due for installation over the summer. This will add much to the security and look of the school.

### **Parent Appreciation Breakfast Well Attended**

About 70 of you attended our *Parent Appreciation Breakfast* on Thursday morning and enjoyed some good conversation and entertainment. We hoped you enjoyed the experience.

**Grade 5 Leaving Ceremony** is set for Wednesday, June 22 in our gym. Doors open at 9:00 and the ceremony begins at 9:30. A reception for grade 5’s, parents and family, and grade 5 teachers to follow at approximately 10:15 in the undercover area.

### **Last Recognition Assembly**

Our final whole school Recognition Assembly is Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2 pm. Next year, Recognition Assemblies will occur in the morning shortly after classes begin. More details to come in the next PEEK.

**Breakfast Buddies** serves over 5000 breakfast this year. Mrs. Omichinski and her team of parent volunteers served a record number of morning meals in our three per week program. Not bad for a program that started just 18 months ago!

### **Good-bye from Mme. Fourchalk**

June is a time for saying good- bye. We know that over the summer children and sometimes staff move on to new experiences and opportunities. The following message comes from Mme. Fourchalk:

*“Hello Rochester community.*

*As many of you know I am not returning to Rochester next year since I am due with baby #2 during the first week of September. To accommodate my growing family, I recently moved to a larger house and upon my return to work In September, 2017 will work closer to home at a new school. So after six amazing years at Rochester, I'm sad to say that I am leaving the community and heading over to Kilmer Elementary.*

*I am very excited for my new journey but will obviously miss all the amazing people that I have met over the years at Rochester.*

*Will keep in touch, Mme. Lisa Fourchalk”*

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Breakfasts  
Served

## LOOKING AHEAD...

Friday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Pokemon and Shopkins Night at 6:30 in the gym
Tuesday, June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day- 9am-12pm, reg dismissal at 3pm
Wednesday, June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 5 Sasamat Lake Trip bus leaves at 8:15
Wednesday, June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Grade 5 Leaving Assembly – doors open at 9:00, assembly at 9:30 with reception to follow
Thursday, June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Last Recognition Assembly of the year at 2:00pm
Tuesday, June 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year End Leaving Assembly time 9:15 Last Day of Breakfast Buddies
Wednesday, June 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Last Day of Classes for students, report cards home &amp; dismissal at 12:15</b>
Thursday, June 30 <sup>th</sup>	last day for teachers
Monday, August 29 <sup>th</sup>	office reopens

*please consult our web site often for a more detailed calendar of events - go to <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/rochester/Pages/default.aspx> and click "On the Calendar"*

### 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.

### Lost and NOT FOUND

We have wide assortment of kids "lost" items including several pairs of child size prescription glasses, coats, hats, lunch kits, shirts, pants. All items left after Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup> will be bagged and sent to SHARE.

