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Ms. B. Biorn-Principal

Spring Break-What to Do With Two Weeks Off?

Spring Break is right around the corner and with it comes time to relax, recharge and reconnect. It is also an important time to encourage your children to play and to provide opportunities for both structured and unstructured play. This chart provides some information about the differences between the two and how to find a balance between them.

What Are Structured And Unstructured Activities?

Structured Activities

- occur at a specific time and place
- are organized and delivered by adults
- contribute to about 25% of kids' overall physical activity
- examples include playing on a sports team, taking swimming lessons or going to a gymnastics class

Unstructured Activities

- self-motivated and spontaneous play
- directed by children
- are reported by kids to be associated with fun, pleasure, choice and freedom
- examples include building a fort, climbing rocks or trees, splashing in puddles, playing hide and seek with friends

Finding Balance Between Structured and Unstructured Play

- Leave time for unstructured play. If you find your child does not have time to just play, consider taking something off the calendar.
- Ask your kids what they want to do! Encourage them to use their imagination.
- Look for outdoor play opportunities. Did you know that children are less likely to engage in bullying when they play in natural environments?
- Look for a variety of structured activities for your kids. Fundamental movement skills transfer from activity to activity, so it is important that kids have choices. Hang up the hockey skates at the end of winter and bring out the soccer ball.



Upcoming Events

PAC Meeting-March 13
Our next PAC meeting is at 6:30 pm in the library. Childminding will be available.

Hold and Secure Drill-April 6-Why Do We Practice This?

In a Hold and Secure the exterior doors of the school are secured while normal activities continue inside the school. Hold and Secure is used to protect the school occupants from a danger in the neighbourhood or community outside the school. Examples: police incident in the neighbourhood, suspicious strangers on school playgrounds, protests/civil disturbances outdoors near schools, etc.

Important Events

March

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| 9 | Friday Assembly 9:00 am |
| 13 | PAC Meeting 6:30 pm |
| 15 | Family Team Activity 2:00 pm |
| 16 | Friday Assembly 9:00 am |
| 16 | Last Day Before Spring Break |

April

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| 4 | Hearing Screening for Kindergarten Students |
| 6 | Hold and Secure Drill |
| 9 | Tapco Performance 9:00 am
Gymnastics Starts |
| 13 | Ready, Set, Learn 10:30 am-Preschool and
New Kindergarten Event |
| 23 | Class and Group Photos |
| 30 | Professional Development Day |

Happy Spring Break

UBC Parenting and Communication Study

Hi Moms! If you have a 6- to 10-year-old child, the UBC Parenting Lab needs your help in our Parenting and Communication Study.

Who is involved? We are looking for mothers of 6- to 10-year-old children to participate.

What is involved? A 2.5-hour visit to our lab that involves completing several questionnaires, as well as computer and communication tasks.

When and where? A visit at our lab on the UBC Campus will be scheduled for a time that is convenient for you, including evenings and weekends. If needed, childcare can be provided.

Compensation: Mothers who participate will be compensated with \$40 and can earn a potential bonus amount depending on the in-lab tasks.

Please email cjlab@psych.ubc.ca or call 604-822-9037 for more details!



Satisfaction Surveys for Parents of Grade 4 and 7

Each year, the Ministry of Education asks schools to conduct surveys to help us plan for the future – by asking you to tell us about your education experience. Students in Grades 4, 7, 10 and 12, their parents and all staff in B.C. public schools are invited to participate in an annual online satisfaction survey about their school experience.

The survey takes about 10 minutes to complete. All responses are anonymous and confidential.

Student and staff surveys are available in English and French and students will take the survey during class time. Parent surveys are available in 16 additional languages.

The survey is open from January to the end of April of each year. If it's currently available and you have your logon information, please take the survey now. You do not need a login number, please just go to the direct access section. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey. Here is the link for the survey:

http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm

Ready, Set, Learn Program for 3-5 Year Olds

Come join us on Friday, **April 13 at 10:30 am** for Ready, Set, Learn. The program is intended to provide good information about how to support a young child's early learning and development. The program also aims to develop positive connections between families, the school system and community partners. All children aged 3-5 are welcome to attend even if they may not intend to attend Bayview in the future. As a special treat, we will have dancer **Lisa Sars** join us to do some movement and dance activities. Our **Welcome to Kindergarten Family Orientation** will be held on **May 24**, and there will be a separate invitation for those families who will be attending Bayview in September, 2018.



Student Reporters

Louie Sim,
Fuzuki Taylor
and Jackson
Moggach

Ms. Conway-Div. 6

Ms. Conway's class is learning about the contact between Europeans and First Nations in Canada. They also loved their art and they are doing art every Monday based on the monthly virtue. They are also learning about matter in Science.

Ms. Jung-Div. 11

Ms. Jung's class is learning about all the ways to make the number 5. They were learning about the different kinds of family's and different kinds of places to live. They learned about the Olympics and how to be a kind person that has good sportsmanship.



Ms. Rossignol-Div. 9

In Math, the students are learning to do double digit addition. In Science, they are experimenting with putting eggs in different liquids and observing what happens. In Art, the students are creating art with pencil crayons and watercolours based on the picture book, "Love."

Ms. Montagano-Div. 3

The Grade 5 students are learning about fractions and the Grade 6 students are learning about long division in Math. In Science the students are learning about the diversity of life. In Social Studies, the students are learning about slavery as part of their study on Canadian History and in Art, they have sculpted some wonderful mushrooms with clay and they did some Chinese dragon art.

Reminders and Recognition

Safe Arrival-Your Call is Important to Us

Thank you to all of you for remembering to phone our safe arrival number and letting us know if your child is going to be absent or late. In case you don't have the number handy, here it is:

604-713-5159 and the school extension is 10. We also really appreciate it when students do come in late that they come and check in at the office so we know they have arrived. Thank you for working together to keep our kids safe.



Bayview Basketball Season-Great Success

Congratulations to all our basketball teams for a successful season full of learning and demonstrating new skills, showing terrific sportsmanship and working together. A special thank you to all the coaches who volunteered their time to support our young athletes: **Mr. Tosczak, Ms. Montagano, Mr. Christiansen** (parent), and **Mr. Kavelaars** (parent). Thank you also to Ms. Hinds for her work as sponsor and coordinator of the teams. We also had some students helping with scorekeeping and timekeeping: **Matthias Alteza-Penkala, Kylie Ho, Liam Bonfield, Blake Bradley, Emily Kavelaars, Dylan Shearer.**

THANK YOU PARENTS-FROM THE BAYVIEW STAFF AND STUDENTS

On Friday, February 23, our gym was transformed into a spectacular room from the 1920's by our phenomenal parent group for the annual Bayview Gala. It was a lovely evening with delicious food, yummy beverages and a lively auction led by **Mr. T,** and **Ms. Montagano.** A special thank you to **Joss Taylor** and **Kelly Ryan** as the gala co-chairs for all the work they put into the event to make it such a huge success. They had a dedicated group of volunteers to help with all aspects of the event and we want to express our gratitude for the many hours they contributed. Thank you also to all the parents and staff who braved the snowy weather to come and enjoy each other's company.

So many of the activities and materials we can provide to our students come about through the efforts of our generous parent community.

Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!



Popcorn! The kids are loving our weekly popcorn sale on Fridays at recess. Only \$1 for a big bag of popcorn. We are in need of volunteers to make and sell the popcorn on Friday mornings between 9 and 11. Sign up for one hour or two, at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044aa5a72aa6ff2-popcorn>

Used Book Sale!

Drop off your gently used books in the designated box in the office for our Used Book Sale fundraiser in April. Look for details after spring break.



PAC News

Thank you to EVERYONE who made the "Bayview Goes Gatsby" fundraiser a tremendous success! This year was a record breaker, raising over \$27,500! This includes the generosity of Stuart Bonner, a local westside realtor, who matched the class platter auction proceeds with a donation of \$3,905.

Countless parents came together to put on this spectacular evening. They organized decor, food, childcare, music, bar, donations, ticket sales, volunteer schedules, online auction, platters, class baskets and clean up. Special thanks go to Kelly Ryan and Joss Taylor for co-chairing the organizing committee.

And as always, thank you to the Vancouver business community for all the great silent auction items. A complete list of donors is posted on the PAC website and on the PAC bulletin board in the school's main hallway.

Parents' NIGHT OUT

The Bayview PAC will be hosting a parents' night out at **The Blenheim pub.** We are organizing a concurrent movie and popcorn night for the kids--drop them off at the school, then come over to the Blenheim for drinks and excellent food!

THURSDAY MARCH 15

WHERE

- corner of West 4th Avenue & Blenheim Street
- no cover
- simply identify yourself as a Bayview parent when you join the group and **the pub will donate 15%** of your food & drink tab to Bayview PAC

CHILDCARE

- \$10 per child for a JKC supervised movie night, be sure to sign up by **Monday, March 12** at the latest
- 6:30-9:00pm; no dinner provided, only popcorn and fun times!
- Email Anna, acef@sent.com, to reserve your spot(s)
- Drop payment in the box in the office