

Bayview Community School

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Ms. B. Biorn-Principal

October, 2018

Orange Shirt Day-Assembly on Wednesday, October 3 at 11:00 am

September 30th has been declared Orange Shirt Day annually, in recognition of the harm the residential school system did to children's sense of self-esteem and wellbeing, and as an affirmation of our commitment to ensure that everyone around us matters. The date was chosen because it is the time of year in which children were taken from their homes to residential schools, and because it is an opportunity to set the stage for anti-racism and anti-bullying policies for the coming school year. It also gives teachers time to plan events that will include children, as we want to ensure that we are passing the story and learning on to the next generations. Orange Shirt Day is also an opportunity for Indigenous and Non-Indigenous people, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come. Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in May 2013. It grew out of Phyllis Webstad's story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.

Please join us on October 3 for our assembly and please encourage your children to wear orange.



Friday, October 12 Assembly Special Presentation

Please join us at 9:00 as Bayview parent, Sara Schneiderman and her daughter Nina Turin will tell us all about their summer trip to Nepal and how well our donations of books, clothing, letters and photos were received by the Sundrawati School. They will also tell us more about the school and library with whom we hope to form a sister school relationship.

Upcoming Important Events

October

- 8 Thanksgiving Monday Holiday; school not in session
- 11 Individual School Photos
- 15-26 Intermediate Drumming
- 16 Kindergarten Hearing Screening
PAC Meeting 6:30 pm
- 18 District Cross Country Finals
BC Shake Out Drill
- 19 Provincial Pro-D Day; school not in session
- 26 Halloween Howl 6:30-8:00 pm
- 29 Kindergarten Vision Screening
- 31 Halloween; students are invited to wear their costumes
School-Wide Pumpkin Carving

November

- 2 Grade 6 Immunizations
Photo Retakes
- 6-7 Early Dismissal for Parent/Teacher Conferences-2 pm
- 8 Remembrance Day Assembly 11 am
- 9 Curriculum Implementation Day-school not in session



Monday Noon Hour Club

Wonderful community member Maurgie Nordman faithfully comes every Monday to inspire grade 5-7s to knit, crochet, sudoku and whatever else the students express interest to do.

Cooler Weather Ahead

Fall is upon us and with it comes chillier, windier, wetter weather. As a staff, we have made a commitment to ensuring that our students get fresh air whenever possible at recess and lunch. We will be asking all children to go outside almost always at recess, and if they are dressed appropriately, at lunch. We would ask you to help us make sure that students are comfortable outside, by making sure they come to school dressed appropriately including a warm coat with a hood if possible, gloves, a hat and appropriate footwear. We are very fortunate that we live in a climate where children can go outside to play almost everyday.

If there is a day where students cannot go outside due to the weather, an announcement will be made before the lunch bell. Students will be able to go to the basement carpet area to draw, play with the games or building toys. The main hallway outside the office is also available for quiet reading, drawing and quieter games.



VCH AND VSB CO-PRESENT:

Parent Education Series 2018-2019

VCH Child and Youth Mental Health Services in collaboration with the Vancouver School Board will be offering a series of **Child and Youth Wellbeing Workshops** this upcoming school year.

Cost: FREE

Location: VSB Education Centre, 1580 West Broadway Street, Rm 180

Time: Session starts at 6:00pm (2 hours)

Parking: Underground pay parking and street parking available, public transit encouraged

To register: Click on the link below the workshop title.

Password: vsb

- ◆ Coffee, tea and snacks provided
- ◆ For caregivers
- ◆ Childcare is not available



Navigating the Mental Health System: October 2nd, 2018

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Anxiety in Children and Youth: November 13th, 2018

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Depression in Children and Youth: January 10th, 2019

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Responding to Challenging Behaviour: February 12th, 2019

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Supporting Your Child with ADHD: April 16th, 2019

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Encouraging Healthy Eating in Children: May 22nd, 2019

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Kids Wrestling?

JOIN US FOR A FREE - INTRO TO WRESTLING PARTY! Wrestling helps kids develop physical literacy. We combine gymnastics, stretching and basic technique with physical games to create a safe and fun environment for kids to learn about wrestling. Wrestling helps athletes with strength, speed, endurance, coordination, agility, balance, body position.....everything!

Westsider Wrestling Club is a non-profit group with programs for kids aged 5-17 Join us at our FREE intro party at Kitsilano Secondary Wednesday, October 10th 5-6:30pm

RSVP's Required www.westsiderwrestling.com

trywrestling@westsiderwrestling.com

Reading Tutors Needed

Become a ONE TO ONE volunteer tutor and open the world of reading to a child!

For nearly 30 years, ONE TO ONE Literacy Society has been helping struggling young readers in Vancouver-area public schools with the opportunity to practice reading with a caring, patient adult. We know that this time spent with students directly impacts the student's confidence and their chance of succeeding academically and in life.

Do you have 2 – 3 hours a week during school hours to work one-on-one with students? Our volunteer tutors read once a week, either in the mornings or afternoons, at a specific school, from October to June. You will be developing a relationship with the students that will help them bloom into successful readers.

You must be 18 years old, be proficient in English and/or French and complete a criminal background check. We will provide you with training and ongoing support. Training sessions for new volunteers will be held in September 2018. We are looking for volunteer tutors in Vancouver, North Vancouver, Burnaby, Richmond, New Westminster and Coquitlam. Register now in three easy steps by visiting www.one-to-one.ca/volunteer.



PAC Updates

We were so pleased with the great turnout at the **2nd Annual Welcome Back Bayview Carnival** last week despite the wet weather. A special thank you to **Kelly Ryan** and her great volunteers and to the **West Broadway Business Improvement Association** for their support. Congratulations to the lucky winners of the WBBIA raffle: Soleil Tosczak and Melanie Barker. And also to Rocco Ali who was the closest guess for the Jelly Bean Contest.



Hallowe'en Howl: Please mark your calendars for next month's **Hallowe'en Howl on Oct 26th from 6:30-8:00 pm**. This family-friendly event is a great way to celebrate Hallowe'en with the Bayview community. Food, crafts, games, cake walk, the Grade 7's Haunted House and more. And of course, these fabulous events are always looking for helping hands so please contact Valia Thorburn (valiathorburn@gmail.com) to volunteer.

Positions Available: The PAC Executive is still looking for a **Secretary** as well as a **Popcorn Sale Coordinator**. If you're interested or would like more information please contact bayviewpac@gmail.com. Welcome to **Muriel Marc** who has joined us as the new website administrator.



PAC Meeting: It was great to see so many new parents at our September PAC meeting. This year the meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday or Wednesday of each month. A full schedule is available on the www.bayviewpac.ca website. Please join us for our next meeting on **Wednesday Oct 17th from 6:30-8:00pm** in the library (complimentary childcare is provided).

Friday Recess Popcorn Sales! This is an on-going fundraiser for the PAC and a great treat for students. However, we can only continue this if we have some more parents sign-up to volunteer. We need a minimum of 2 volunteers from 9-11am on Fridays - no experience is required – sign-up with a friend and catch up while making popcorn instead of having a coffee! There is a link on the PAC website under "Fundraising → Friday Recess Popcorn Sales" to a website where you can sign up for available shifts.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044aa5a72aa6ff2-popcorn1>

Save the Date! This year's **Spring Gala**, our largest fundraiser here at Bayview, will be held on **Friday, Feb 22nd from 6-9:30pm**. More details to follow but if you're interested in volunteering to help make this event a success please let us know at bayviewpac@gmail.com. In particular we are looking for 1-2 individuals to coordinate the food, 1 person to join 2 experienced volunteers on the decor committee, and leads to coordinate the class platter painting and the class baskets. Lots of other volunteer opportunities are also available. No experience necessary!



Update from the Seismic Committee:

Bayview's seismic upgrade is steadily progressing. The architects are finalizing designs for both the interior and exterior of our new school. The advisory committee (made up of parent, teacher, and after-school-care representatives, Ms. Biorn, school board staff, and architects) will be meeting in October to review the designs. The plans will be available for the entire school community to see later this fall.

The Seismic Project Office has already applied to the city for permits, and the swing site at Queen Elizabeth Elementary on 16th and Camosun is being prepared for our use. During construction, students will be bussed between the swing site and McBride Park on Waterloo Street.

According to the original schedule, our school was slated to move into the swing site in December 2019. The project manager believes we may be able to move in September 2019 instead, if things continue to progress smoothly. Teachers have been asked to begin sorting their materials for moving or storage. We are expected to be at Queen Elizabeth for 18 months.

During construction, our playground equipment will be moved into storage, except for the silver monkey bars in the back playground, which are no longer considered safe.

While the province will fund our new building, it does not fund new contents. Our PAC will be fundraising for common-area furniture, projectors, area rugs, and more. If you can help with fundraising or have any other questions, please contact bayviewpac@gmail.com