

Beaconsfield Banter

3663 Penticton Street, Vancouver, V5M 3C9

Phone: 604-713-4605 • Fax: 604-713-4607

Principal: Ms. Lani Morden

Office Administrative Assistant: Ms. Tracey Bell, Extra Clerical: Ms. Almeida

PAC Chairs: Alison Crysler / Bree Cropper

Director of Instruction: Mr. Aaron Davis

Liaison Trustee: Dianne Turner

<http://beaconsfield.vsb.bc.ca>

NEWSLETTER NO. 8

JUNE 14, 2017

Principal's Message

What an amazing Country Fair that the Beaconsfield PAC hosted on the sunny evening of June 2nd. It was such a fun and well organized community-building event. So many parents, volunteers, organizations, individuals, community members and staff pulled together to make the Country Fair such a tremendous success. Special thanks to our PAC Chairs - Alison Crysler and Bree Cropper for their leadership. Thank you also to the many families who attended the Country Fair and for supporting our school by purchasing baskets, food, and tickets. We thank you!

It's hard to believe that Beaconsfield School will soon be winding down for summer. Enclosed in this June newsletter is important information about June year end activities and events and also about school start up in September. Please watch for permission slips for year-end field trips sent home by classroom teachers. We have also included in this newsletter a BIG THANK YOU to all of our volunteers. Thank you for driving, helping in classes and on field trips, supporting hot lunches, reading with children, organizing and running events, fundraising - you name it - we are grateful for your support.

In just a couple of weeks, our Grade 7's and their parents/caregivers will be moving on to secondary schools. At this time, we would like to wish all our Grade 7s and their parents the very best. Several of our school staff will also be leaving our school. Thank you for being part of our school community. Thank you also to several staff members who will be leaving us at the end of the month. We will miss you but know that you will do great things for students and families in other Vancouver Schools.

So - thank you students, parents, and staff for such a wonderful school year. We are thankful for all that you do to positively contribute to our learning environment. Special thanks to Ms. Bell and Ms. Almeida who keep our school office welcoming and running smoothly all year long.

Have a safe and happy summer, everyone. Remember to keep your child or children reading and playing outside all summer long. The last full day of classes will be on Thursday, June 29th. Our school office will be finishing up on July 4 and 5th and will re-open on Monday, August 28th. If you need to be in touch with Mrs. Morden over the summer months please email lmorden@vsb.bc.ca.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Lani Morden
Principal



Grade 7's

As June closes, the time has come to say goodbye to our Grade 7 students. Good luck to each of you as you move on to different secondary schools within our school district. We look forward to hearing about your successes in the months and years to come. Please visit. On behalf of the Beaconsfield staff, thank you for choosing to be part of this community. You have made Beaconsfield a better place!



Our 2016-2017 Class of Grade 7's

Gladys, Joshua, Grace, Evan, Ripley, Danniell, Nicholas, Theodore, Travis, Mason, Troy, Kestrel, Dragon, John, Hanson, Parker, David N., Pedro, Kaitlyn, Erica, Hayley, Saabith, Caitlyn, George, Desmond, Donovan, Christopher S., Thomas, Kadence, Christopher W., Aliyah and Michelle.

First Day Back to School in September 2017



The first day of the new school year is Tuesday, September 5th, 2017. Students will be in session from 9:00 - 10:00 am. Please note the following information:

- All returning students, please report to your last year's classrooms.
- All NEW students in Grades 1-7, please report to the Library.
- New Kindergarten students have received their gradual entry schedule over the summer and will report to the gym on the first day of school.
- All new students who need to register, please report to the office.

We look forward to a great 2017-2018 school year.

Notice of Late Return

All students are expected to attend school on the first day of the new school year which is Tuesday, September 5th. Students who do not come to the school and who had not yet filled out a late return form will be deleted from the organization. It is ESSENTIAL that you complete and submit a 'Late Return' form to the office prior to the end of this school year if you know you will be returning late. Forms to notify us of late return are available at the school office. Thank you for being mindful of this as it helps with school organization.

Arts Umbrella - Rio Tinto Outreach - Van Go Visual Arts Program

Students in 7 divisions from Beaconsfield School participated in an amazing visual arts program last week. This is a FREE art program that is donated by Arts Umbrella that our students participate in at no cost to the school or to our families.



Track and Field 2017

Our Track and Field program finished up with a Track Meet on June 1st. Thank you to all of our students who were involved in the Track and Field. Thank you to Mr. Thomas, Ms. Ikeda, Ms. Joe, and Ms. Billingsley for coordinating the Track and Field Team this year.

Fee Schedule

Please see the attached fees for the 2017-2018 school year. Please note that these fees have increased from last year. Fees are due in September, please wait for your child's form package to come home. Thank you!





Good Bye and Thank You to Staff

There are several staff members who will be leaving Beaconsfield at the end of this school year. We would like to acknowledge their contributions to the Lord Beaconsfield school community and wish them all well. Firstly, a warm thank you to support workers -

Ms. Joanne Smart, Ms. Tania Erceg, Ms. Kaitlyn Beugh and Ms. Carley Borden. Secondly, a big thank you to Ms. A. Edwards (Resource/Teacher Librarian), Ms. J. Parry, and Ms. H. Broadland. Finally, a huge round of applause for Ms. M. Vassilakis, Grade 2 Teacher, who after nine years at Beaconsfield, will be pursuing new opportunities in her teaching career and focusing on her passion for literacy within the Vancouver School District. We wish all these staff members a fond farewell.



A Note from Ms. Maria Vassilakis

Thank you to the staff, students, parents and the community of Lord Beaconsfield for the support and generosity that you have all shown me throughout my teaching years at this amazing elementary school! I am leaving with fond memories and experiences of this unique teaching environment and I will miss you all dearly!



Lost and Found Items

Over the next couple of weeks, please take the time to go through the lost and found items which have been put on tables in our main school hallway near our office. All items that have not been picked up by the end of the day on Thursday, June 29th will be washed and donated to a local charity.

Thank you to Superintendent, Mr. Scott Robinson

Effective June 9, 2017, VSB Superintendent Scott Robinson has left the Vancouver School Board. Please join me in thanking Mr. Robinson and wishing him all the best.

Lunchroom Update

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers of the Beaconsfield community who have been following our new lunchroom expectations. We are pleased to report that our lunchrooms are becoming much more organized. We appreciate your help. We are also noticing that parents are being more mindful of sending healthy food and avoiding sending or bringing MacDonald's or KFC. Thank you. In September 2017, our expectation is that the only parents/caregivers in our lunchrooms will be parents involved in fundraising programs.



Library Books

All library books were due on Friday, June 2nd. Please take a look at home and in the classroom and return any books you still have to the library! The Beaconsfield library is closed for borrowing until September. Visit your local branch of the Vancouver Public Library and keep reading over the summer.

Thanks! -- Your Beaconsfield Teacher Librarians



From the Desk of the PAC

Hello families,



Thank you for coming out to support the PAC, and Beaconsfield students, at the annual Beaconsfield Country Fair! It was great to see everyone there. We owe a huge thank you to all of our amazing parent and student volunteers, and our principal and staff for making the Fair a great success. It would not be possible without you! We also want to acknowledge the huge role that individual and business donations play in our fundraising efforts. These include Grand Ballet, Vancouver Art Gallery, Pacific Theatre, Gateway Theatre, McDonalds, Starbucks, Church's Chicken, Subway, Golden Age Comics and Collectables, Playland, Vancouver Canucks, Vancouver Whitecaps, Save On Foods, Banquet Atelier, TJ Kiddies, Rona, Boston Pizza, Bacchus Group, Columbus Meats, Figaro's Garden, Famoso Pizza, Dilly Dally, 123 Dentist, Canadians Baseball, the Tipper, London Drugs, Canadian Tire, Livenation, Sport Chek, White Spot, SPUD and many more.

All money raised by the PAC goes toward programs for Beaconsfield students such as Project Opera, extracurricular sports equipment, camp transportation, sports day, field trips, classroom funds, library funds, school garden, school performances, dance, technology equipment, grade 7 grad, and more. We are glad to be able to continue to support these programs; our fundraising and your support makes it possible.

We have had a great year! Have a wonderful summer and see you next fall.

PAC



Important Dates for June 2017 - Please mark your calendars

Wednesday, June 14	Final PAC meeting at 6pm. Childminding provided
Thursday, June 22	Gr. 7 Leaving Ceremony at 5:30pm, doors open at 5:15pm
Wednesday, June 28	Report cards go home
Thursday, June 29	Last day of school for students. Final assembly at 11am.

Please check website regularly for updates:
beaconsfield.vsb.bc.ca

**School's Out
For Summer!!!**