

# DICKENS ANNEX SCHOOL

## Dickens Annex School Updates

### Emergency Unification Drill

Dickens Annex carried out an Emergency Student Reunification Drill following the Big One at Two Earthquake Drill on May 4th.

The Emergency Reunification process would take place after a serious incident or regional hazard such as an earthquake, terror event or major structural failure, explosion, or accident. Ten parents participated in the drill. They had to fill out a Student Reunification form and provide identification at the Parent Check-in Gate. After confirming parent/guardian identification at this gate, a runner was sent to the student assembly area to have the student released by the Teacher and brought to the Release Gate. In a real emergency, this process could take time. The Emergency Reunification process is an important drill to practice and we thank the parents who participated. Here are the important take-aways:

- Choose your emergency contacts carefully and keep the school updated
- Understand how student release will work at the school
- You (or your emergency contact) will need to bring identification



### 17th Annual SPRING FLING

at Charles Dickens Elementary

Thursday, June 1st

Time: 4:00 to 8:00pm

Join us with your family & friends for our Annual Fundraiser and Celebration of our Dickens Schools.

- Food & Bake Sale
- Face Painting
- Bouncy Castle
- Inflatable Course
- Reptile Rm
- Dunk Tank plus:
- Carnival Games    Photo Booth    Popcorn
- Cotton Candy    Live Music
- Silent Auction    Marketplace



PAC still needs volunteers for our 1 to 1.5 hour shifts at this event. If you can help, please contact Mariko at [dickens.spring.fling@gmail.com](mailto:dickens.spring.fling@gmail.com)

All funds will support various field trips, activities, clubs and classroom supplies at both schools. Like us at:

<https://www.facebook.com/dickensspringfling>

and follow us at:

<https://www.instagram.com/dickensspringfling>

### School Code of Conduct

Our school community believes that it is important to establish a safe, caring, and supportive learning environment. Our school code is to do your best, help each other and find joy!

### 2017-2018 School Fees:

Please know, for Dickens Annex the fee for families will continue to be \$25.00 (school supplies). We will collect this fee in Sept. 2017.

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you

The staff at Dickens Annex wish to express their sincere appreciation for the Staff Appreciation Lunch on Friday, May 12th. It was so delicious !!! We all felt very special.



**THIS IS A REMINDER THAT NO PHOTOGRAPHS ARE TO BE TAKEN ON / OR IN SCHOOL PROPERTY DURING SCHOOL HOURS.**

**THANK YOU**

## Bicycles inside the school



Please do not bring bicycles, scooters, etc. inside the school (adults and children). Kindly use the bike racks located on the blacktop.

### Class Placement Information:

**PLEASE NOTE:** Class placement parent letters **are not** being accepted by the school again this year.

At this time, schools are in the beginning stages of planning for the 2017-18 school year. This process involves working to best support our students to have a smooth transition to the next year.

As you know, staff know their students in the school context and engage in a rigorous class placement process that involves thoughtful collaboration, time, and consideration of a number of factors. We approach each placement decision carefully. Each student's social, emotional, and academic needs are considered in addition to:

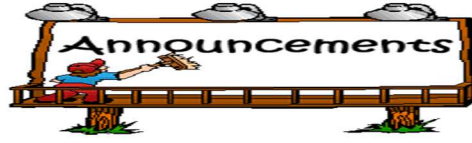
- balance of academic, social, and emotional abilities
- social connections
- students as English Language Learners
- students with special needs
- leadership abilities
- cohesive student groupings
- previous classroom history/family history
- class size composition (Ministry/VBE)

Thank you for your ongoing support.

## Maplewood Farm Field Trip → Tuesday, May 23, 2017

Just a few reminders regarding this field trip!

- No flip flops !! Rubber boots are the best if you have them!
- Long hair needs to be tied back
- Dress appropriately for the weather (sunscreen, hats, etc).



## Welcome Grade 3's visit with Main School

At this time, we are in the beginning stages of planning formal welcome visits with our Annex students as we transition to preparing for the 2017-18 school year. We are in the process of planning for the Grade 3 students to start walking to the Main School for tours and student sharing to assist them with learning "what to expect when you come to the Main School".

A letter and dates of visits will be sent home soon!

## VSB Summer Experience



Visit [summer.vsb.bc.ca](http://summer.vsb.bc.ca)

Please find **Program Information** newspapers on the table located outside the office in the Main Hallway.  
Registration dates: May 5th to July 3rd

*For more information : 604-713-4550*

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### **Royal Soccer Club Camps 2017**

*Brochures and registration forms are located on the Community News Bulletin Board in the Main Hallway for ages 5 to 13.*

*For More Info: 1-800-427-0536*

*[www.royalsoccer.com](http://www.royalsoccer.com)*

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### **Panorama Photo (whole school)**



*Due to the rainy weather we have had to cancel this photo. Therefore we will postpone until the weather gets better! Class photos took place in the gym as scheduled and all students will receive a complimentary photo soon.*

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