

Grandview/ᑭuuqinak'uuh Elementary School

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Principal's Message

Dear Families of Grandview:

I hope everyone was able to honour Orange Shirt Day back on September 30th. As a school, we wore our Orange Shirts on Friday September 29th. Additionally, I was able to attend the Walk for Reconciliation back on September 24th. This was a very moving event for myself as I saw people of many communities support this event including the Indo-Canadian, Chinese, and Japanese communities. I hope everyone has an opportunity to participate in these events next year.

At our first PAC meeting on Oct. 2nd we had a healthy turnout of parents. We enjoyed a quick meal together before starting the meeting. The AGM (Annual General Meeting) was held and I am pleased to introduce the newly elected PAC executive. They are:
Bertha Tallio, Chair
Megan Sprout, Vice-Chair
Kyla Epstein, Secretary
Danielle Sangwais, Treasurer

These 4 individuals will work hard at representing parents in our school. I want to thank them for their service and I look forward to working closely with them. To all the parents that attended, I thank you for coming out. For all parents that have not yet attended, I look forward to seeing you out at a future meeting

(please check calendar). Remember that all parents are automatically part of the PAC and may attend any and all meetings. PAC meetings are designed to be fun, easy, and informative, so come on out!

Recently, I came across a campaign that I believe is very important and I wanted to share the message with you. We all know that violence against women and children is NOT acceptable. Men are being encouraged to stand up against this violence. Please visit www.mooshidecampaign.ca for additional information. I hope men everywhere take the pledge.

To ensure the safety of our students and families in our school and neighbourhood, we have attached in this newsletter information regarding the School Traffic Safety Tips and Driver Alerts . Please take the time to review them.

Lastly, please remember to call the safe arrival line before 9am if your child will be absent or late. The information is on page 4 of this newsletter. Students arriving on or after recess will be marked absent for the morning.

Thank you.

Mr. Stephen Leung

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

A big thank you to all the families that came out to the Scholastic Book Fair. Your support allowed us to raise almost \$1000.00 in books for the school library! That's the highest amount raised yet! Congratulations to Alexie, who was the grand prizewinner this year!



After speaking with several parents, next year's book fair may be at the end of November rather than the week of the parent-teacher conferences in October. If you have any feedback or questions about this change, please talk to me in the library.

Robyn Smyk
Teacher-Librarian

NOTICES/REMINDERS:

Please ensure you check your child's bag for notices & forms. Most often, they are time-sensitive announcements and need your immediate attention.

1. The Student Verification Form and Media Consent forms have been sent home. If you haven't done so, please verify, complete, sign and return these forms.
2. Newsletters and school communication are sent via email. Please provide the school with your email address if you are not receiving information.
3. Please return the lunch envelopes if your child is participating in the lunch program. This is important to ensure that sufficient food is provided.
4. Please note that the staff parking lot is ONLY for staff. There is NO student drop-off or pick-up from that area. Thank you.

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 -Div 6&7 to Fortius Sports 9:15 am-12:10 pm -PAC meeting @ 5:30 pm—6:30 pm	3 Gr 7 Golf @ UBC 12-3 pm	4
5	6 Student Photo Retake @ 1pm	7 Div 7 Field Trip to Van Tech re: Fresh Roots 9 am-12 pm	8	9 -Remembrance Day Assembly @ pm- Div 6&7 to Fortius Sports 9:15 am-12:10 pm	10 Pro D Day NO SCHOOL	11
12	13 Remembrance Day Holiday NO SCHOOL	14	15	16 -Div 6&7 to Fortius Sports 9:15 am-12:10 pm	17 Gr 7 Golf @ UBC 12-3 pm	18
19	20	21	22	23 -Div 6&7 to Fortius Sports 9:15 am-12:10 pm	24 Gr 7 Golf @ UBC 12-3 pm	25
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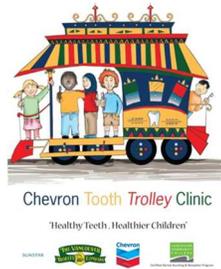
December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 - Pro D Day NO SCHOOL	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Winter Celebration 5-7 pm	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Last day of school before Winter break - School re-opens Jan 8, 2018	23
24	25 Winter break until Jan 7, 2018	26	27	28	29	30
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WELCOME TO THE TOOTH TROLLEY PROJECT

Hello Grandview Families!

We are pleased to announce that we have reconnected with the Tooth Trolley. Below is the information from Vancouver Community College. Even though this will not transpire until May, please contact me at your earliest convenience as there are only 25 spots available for Grandview students on a first come first served basis.



"Vancouver Community College with the support of Chevron Canada and other sponsors are offering a preventive Dental Clinic for the families of your Community School.

You are invited to register for the Tooth Trolley project. It is free of charge to all families. In a relaxed dental environment a Dentist will examine the children's mouths and our Certified Dental Assisting or Dental Hygiene Students will provide the services provided. The services provided for the children include preventive procedures like cleaning, fluoride and fissure sealants. Students provide oral health and nutritional education for the whole family.

All transportation, activities and treatment is **FREE**. We have limited space so register with your school as soon as you can.

Tooth Trolley dates for this coming year will be May 22 – 29th 2018. Your school will have been assigned one of these days. Although we have limited spaces we encourage parents to attend to learn and share this dental experience with their children."

Shane Ernst, Youth and Family Worker 604-713-5007
email address: sernst@vsb.bc.ca

The Grandview team would like to thank students and families who participated in supporting and fundraising for this year's **Terry Fox Run**. I personally heard some wonderful stories on how students creatively found ways to fundraise and support the run. In doing so, we more than doubled our goal of raising \$2 per student –the most ever we've submitted to the Terry fox Foundation! These funds go towards the courageous fight against cancer through research, which Terry Fox started 37 years ago. We hope that this awareness and support from parents, students and families will continue in the future. Well done Grandview, Terry would have been proud! Can't wait for next year.

Shane Ernst, Youth and Family Worker

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSISTANT

As the weather is getting cooler, please remember to dress warmly. We do have gloves, scarves, and toques available for kids to use. Please see me if you need any of them. Also, it might be the perfect time to send rain boots to school and inside shoes for your young ones.

Buyer's Club is on November 23rd. For \$10, you get two bags of produce. We have the **Lost and Found** in the school lobby. We will be donating these items soon. Please check for missing items there, and if you don't find it, please check the stage in the lunchroom.

As the holiday season is soon upon us, I just wanted to remind everyone of our Winter Celebration on Dec. 14th. We will be sending out the invitations in November. We will be asking for \$3.00 per person who attends. We will limit the amount of people per families.

Have a safe and fun November!

Donna Mah

Do you have a child born in 2013? Kindergarten registration starts on November 1st

All Kindergarten applicants are required to submit an application to their English catchment elementary school. This includes families who wish to apply for choice programs (French Immersion, Montessori, etc.) and/or a cross boundary placement. You can locate where your neighbourhood English catchment school is by going to www.vsb.bc.ca/school-locator.

The priority registration period for Kindergarten opens on **Wednesday November 1st and closes on Wednesday, January 31st**. Students who submit an application within this priority period will be accommodated before late applicants.

If your child was born outside of Canada, you need to report to the [VSB District Reception and Placement Centre](#) (DRPC) and complete the initial Kindergarten application there.

When registering your child please bring:

1. Completed application form www.vsb.bc.ca/sites/default/files/APP-SC-001_Student_Application.pdf
2. Proof of residence in Vancouver
3. Child's birth certificate
4. Immigration documents, Canadian Citizenship documents or Aboriginal status identification for parents and children
5. Immunization records and other important health information (e.g. medical alerts)
6. Any other relevant documentation involving guardianship, court orders, etc.

For more information regarding Choice Programs or Cross boundary applications, please visit <http://www.vsb.bc.ca/kindergarten>



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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

As you are aware, student safety is of paramount importance to all of us who work in public education. In the Vancouver School District, Student Safe Arrival and attendance routines are a crucial part of a student safety plan and are a priority.

Please note that due to a new phone system within the District, starting this school year 2017, we have new procedures for reporting a student absence to the school.

Reporting Student Absences & Late Arrivals

Ensuring student safety is a shared responsibility. In order to assist schools, we ask parents to notify schools of student absences or late arrivals. Please phone the school as early as possible (prior to 9am). **Parents should leave a clear and detailed message on a dedicated answering service by calling 604-713-5159. You will then be prompted to enter a two-digit code to reach our school. Our two-digit code is 33.**

Messages will be received before the office is open. School offices are busy places: consistently notifying the school in advance will significantly improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Safe Arrival Morning Routine.

Student Sign Out Procedure

When you pick up your child during the school day, please ensure that you sign them out at the school office. If you do not sign out your child, they will be unaccounted for, and the school will identify your child as a 'missing' student and will commence a search of school grounds. If the school staff do not locate the child, and are unable to reach a parent promptly, the school will call the Vancouver Police Department. Therefore, clear communication is essential for ensuring the safety of your child and to prevent unnecessary searches.

Thank you for helping us keep your children safe!

The Grandview Soccer League Hits a Fever Pitch

The Grandview Soccer League just completed its second season with the Whitecaps winning the league championship. Grandview students have been playing soccer at lunch and displaying excellent determination and teamwork. The four team league was very competitive, with each team showing flashes of brilliance throughout the course of the season. It was a fantastic season with many goals and great plays. Way to go Grandview!



Fortius Kids Move Program

For the last 4 weeks Grandview intermediate students have been participating in the Kids Move Program run by Fortius Sports. Students have been pushing their athletic skills to the limits and have been displaying incredible tenacity and courage. By participating in this weekly program, Grandview students are gaining confidence and increasing their physical abilities. The program will be running for 6 more weeks and will include a visit from some professional athletes. Grandview students have been stepping it up and are getting in tip top shape.



NURSE PRACTITIONER CLINIC

GRANDVIEW SCHOOL CLINIC with

KRISTINA PIKKSALU, NP

Every Tuesday 9:30—11:30 am

DROP INS ARE WELCOME OR TO BOOK AN APPT. CALL

604-875-2246

RICHER Initiative

Responsive Intersectoral Children's Health,

Education, and Research Initiative

WHO WE ARE

Community-based primary healthcare providers who meet the unique needs of children, youth, and families in Vancouver's inner city neighbourhoods, specifically Grandview/Woodlands, Strathcona, and Downtown Eastside

WHAT WE DO

- Primary health care clinic provided by Nurse Practitioners
- Assessment, diagnosis, treatment and follow-up of common, predictable health conditions affecting children, youth and their families
- Prescribe medications, order tests and provide referral to specialists
- Episodic illness care
- Mental health screening
- Developmental screening
- Link with specialists

Our approach provides important links to specialized healthcare services in partnership with families and their community-based support networks.

GENERAL \$25.00 SUPPLY FEE

SCHOOL FEES 2017-2018

Important Information – Please Translate

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Mahalagang Impormasyon - Paki salin sa sariling wika

중요한 정보 - 번역 부탁드립니다

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Важная информация!Переведите,пожалуйста

The Vancouver School Board offers the service of purchasing basic school supplies in bulk at wholesale prices and passing the cost savings on to families. The School Supply Fee for 2016-2017 is \$25.00 per student.

This fee covers basic consumable school supplies used for students' personal use such as paper, writing tools, glue sticks, erasers, exercise

books and art supplies. Supplies are provided for the full year. The advantages of the Board providing families with supplies include convenience, cost savings through a one-time fee, and the standardization of supplies used in the classroom. While parents and/or guardians are free to purchase school supplies for students and not pay this fee, please know that the \$25 school supplies fee does provide the necessary school supplies at a cost which is less than one would pay if these items were purchased independently.

If you have not done so, please provide payment with exact change or cheque payable to Grandview Elementary. A receipt will be provided accordingly. Thank you!

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

As a reminder, the Vancouver School Board will not deny a child access to the school supplies required for his or her educational program because of financial hardship. Nor will any child be excluded from activities where a fee is charged. ***If at any time there is a financial challenge, please contact the school Principal, Stephen Leung.*** All requests will be treated confidentially.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY

How to make trick or treating safe?

It's ghost and goblin time again! Here are some tips from the public health nurse for a fun and safe Halloween.

How to make your costume safe?

- ◇ Make sure that drivers can see your child. Use costumes with reflective tape and give each child a flashlight.
- ◇ Costumes should be made with fire resistant material—check the label.
- ◇ Make sure your child can see. Use face paint instead of masks. Tie hats, wigs, or scarves securely so that they won't slip over your child's eyes.
- ◇ To prevent falling, costumes should not be longer than your child's ankle and shoes should fit properly.



- ◇ Children should stay in well lit areas and only visit homes that have their outside lights turned on. Children should not go inside any house.
- ◇ Before your children eat their candy, make sure you examine it. Throw out any candy that has small holes in the wrappers or torn or loose packages. Cut all fruit open before your children eat it. Throw out any treats that are not wrapped.
- ◇ A parent or responsible adult should supervise the young.
- ◇ If you are driving on Halloween night, please be extra careful. Children are excited at Halloween and may forget some of the safety rules.

Where do I find more information?

Robert and Lily Lee Community Health Centre
604-675-3980

Health Link BC - online www.healthlinkbc.ca or dial 811
www.vch.ca/schoolhealth