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Dear Parents, Guardians & Students,

Draft Organization : September

This year, given our projected numbers and the staffing HR has allotted us for next year, we found ourselves with an organization which will not be finalized until students arrive back in September.

Although our numbers are extremely tight at both Intermediate and Primary levels, our numbers have decreased somewhat over last year due to the Supreme Court ruling. We are projecting approximately 482 students for the year which means our staffing should remain intact. **In past years we have been able to offer a draft plan; however, due to several existing factors we are unable to provide a draft organization at this time.**

Staffing Changes for September

At the end of June, we will say goodbye, good luck and “We’ll miss you!” to the following colleagues:

- **Meghan Wells** has accepted a position at Secord Elementary.
- **Monika Tusnady** is moving to Elsie Roy Elementary
- **Louise Lavoie, our librarian** is retiring: Bonne chance! Au Revoir!
- **Evelien Voorberg** has accepted a position at Hudson Elementary.

- **Brigitte Boily**, will be replacing Louise Lavoie and will be L’Ecole’s new librarian
- **Charlotta Pringent**, who replaced Mme Ariella will continue with us until Ariella’s return
- **Dominic Dufresne**, our student support worker, will not be returning and we wish him all the best in Squamish next year.

Please welcome our new staff who will be joining our team in September 2016:

- **Michele Christen’s partner : Curtis Collier:** Gr. K
- **Kerria Gray** will be replacing Alison McCurrach until her return.
- **Gabriela Novotny’s replacement is presently still: TBA**
- **Julia Fleming’s replacement is presently still TBA**

Events and Activities

The **Staff Appreciation Luncheon** was greatly appreciated by all staff. Many thanks to Dawn Roline, **Megan Taylor**, Gwen Floyd and PAC for creating and assisting with this special luncheon treat for staff.

A special thank you also to Fiona Lo who provided our staff with a full lunch on June 30th. *Merci mille fois – c'était délicieux!* The staff wishes to thank PAC, Fiona Lo et les parents!

Important Dates

Sept. 05 School Opening – **Students attend one hour only – 9:00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.**

Sept. 05 Welcome Back Coffee: (for parents only)

Sept 18 First PAC Meeting: 7:00pm Multi - purpose room

Sept. 21 **Welcome Back BBQ and Meet the Teacher Night** (5:00 to 8:00pm)

Please note that students **return to last year's homeroom. New students go to the Library.**

New kindergarten students do not attend. They will have received their own gradual entry schedule.

September in L'École's Garden

You are invited to make our community garden a part of your fall season! The gardeners will be meeting weekly commencing in the fall to create the new school garden and to exercise their green thumbs, snack on the ripe stuff, plant a few autumn crops and spend some time together. We may even get resource people from SPEC to give us a few classes in gardening. Come and get your hands dirty!

Anyone interested in coming by (even if the answer is "maybe" or "just this one time") please communicate with our parent liaison: Vicky Baker 778 330-7909 or bakervicky@shaw.ca

Evans Lake Registration is full for 2017 Labour Day Long Weekend!

We're now over 100% full for the **best camp of the year!** We are sold out! Enjoy this **long weekend of fun:** camping, games, hikes, campfires (and marshmallows) for your kids! And for the parents, it's such a treat to see your kids having so much fun. Plus, **Happy Hour** begins around 9:00 pm when all the children are

tucked into their cabins for the night, under the watchful eyes of their cabin counsellors.

Hope to see you there!

Go to our website for more information and to download the forms www.tinyurl.com/evanslake And if you have any questions please contact the organizers at our email

Address: leb_evanslake@googlegroups.com

Thank you to PAC Executive

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our PAC executive members for their outstanding enthusiasm and dedication to our school, students and staff! Many thanks to PAC past president, **Jen Decker**, who has worked tirelessly these past three years and to **Gwen Floyd**, chair, **Megan Taylor**, vice chair, **Wendy Foo**, secretary, and **Heather Wesenberg**, treasurer. We not only thank you but applaud your unconditional support and commitment to our learners, teachers and parents! *Merci beaucoup!*

Thank you also to our Spellathon 2017 parent volunteers, Deidre Jeffrey and Sarah Terry. Their efforts have paid off with a whopping \$21,000.00 earned for the Quebec 2018 Exchange. Merci to our students and parents for all your fine work and pledges! We are so very proud of you all!

Canadian Parents for French

Still active in the Vancouver School Board district! They have updated and re-vamped their website with news, results and opportunities to expand or include French in your home, school or community activities.

Available now: Summer Camps listings for the summer of 2017 - see the notice posted near the front lobby bulletin board! Or, for more information on CPF camps in BC and Yukon, please contact the Branch Office at 778-329-9115 or visit the website at www.cpf.bc.ca.

Thank you to Catherine Pilotte and Kyle Parent as well as all the students who shared their passions with us at the Annual June talent Show! Bravo et Felicitations!

Safe Arrival

Thanks also to all the fabulous Safe arrival parent volunteers for their

**amazing effort each and every day.
We truly appreciate your support!**

Foyer T.V. and Assemblies

In the fall, please come by and check out our digital display TV which lists our weekly activities, birthdays, field trips, photos and other exciting events.

Many thanks to **Keith McCullum** and **Johnny Gibbons, Shayla Kirshin, Aberdeen and Victoria Roy, Poppy Suro and Ryan Louie-Ying** (Grade 7 Students) for their technical expertise and assistance in bringing these initiatives to fruition! These girls and boys take their leadership role very seriously and we certainly appreciate their time, commitment and support with this endeavour! Merci mille fois les filles et les garçons!

Also heartfelt thanks to **Erik Makinen** for all his work in putting the year end **slide show** together for us all!