



Shaughnessy Elementary School

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October 31st, 2018

Dear Shaughnessy Community,

October has been an especially busy month this year with cross-country, culminating in the District Meet at Trout Lake, Grade 7 Camp at Camp Elphinstone, DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) Day, "Shake-Out BC" earthquake drill, Parent Coffee Club, and our first General PAC meeting of the 2018-2019 school year! We also had our goal-setting conferences this month on October 24th and 25th, and in keeping with tradition our Shaughnessy PAC and parents treated the staff to an amazing dinner, complete with service and a clean-up crew. The Teacher Appreciation Dinner is truly an event we look forward to all year. Thank you to the PAC for organizing this evening, and the many parents who provided such a delicious meal and also to the parents who served and stayed late in the evening to make the staffroom spotless again.

As always, October is topped off by Halloween and celebrations are going on all over the school today. It is also so fun to see the creativity of our students as they come to school in the costumes prepared for a day of both learning and a lot of fun! Our primary students paraded in the hallways this afternoon before most classes settled into a party to finish the day. Hopefully the rain will hold off for Trick-or-Treaters tonight. Please take a moment review the Halloween Safety tips in this newsletter.



Thank you for your continued involvement in your child's school life. It is invaluable for your child to see you actively involved at Shaughnessy on a regular basis. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming PAC Meeting on Friday, November 16th.

Happy Halloween 2018 from the Shaughnessy staff!

Warm Regards,

Janet Souther
Principal

Important Dates to Remember

Thursday, Nov. 1 st	2019-2020 Kindergarten registration begins.
Friday, Nov. 2 nd	Photo Retake Day
Sunday, Nov. 4 th	Daylight Savings Time ends. Turn clocks back.
Thursday, Nov. 8 th	Remembrance Day Service. 11:00 am. Doors open at 10:40 am.
Friday, Nov. 9 th	Redesigned Curriculum - Implementation Day. No school for students.
Monday, Nov. 12 th	Remembrance Day observed. School closed.
Thursday, Nov. 15 th	Midmonth Memo
Friday, Nov. 16 th	PAC General Meeting. 9:10 am. Library.
Mon., Nov. 19 th – Thurs. Nov. 22 nd	Scholastic Book Fair

Reminder: Please Keep Emergency Contacts Up to Date



Please be sure that the emergency contact form for your child is up to date. If you are leaving town for a few days and leaving your child in the care of a relative, please be sure to let the office know and provide us with their contact information. In the event of an emergency, we must be able to contact parents and guardians or a designate.

Thank you for following this important safety protocol.

PAC News



Another big thank you to all the parents in the Shaughnessy Community that helped with the Teachers' Appreciation Dinner this year. The room looked incredible, as always, because of the efforts of Sabrina and Natalie. The generous donations of a variety of dishes from our families was incredible. The help we received in serving and clean up from Alfred, Adri and Bill was tremendous. Such a great Shaughnessy tradition!

Our next big event is Book Fair starting Monday, November 19th and going through to Thursday, November 22nd, held in our library. Our Executive Secretary, Arshnoor, is organizing this and would really appreciate more volunteers. If you can volunteer some time during the week of November 19-22, please contact arshnoor@bigtime.ca or let us know at shypac18@gmail.com. Another very important and rewarding project is our Holiday Hampers, organized by Chelsea and Sally this year. If you are able to help, again, please let us know!

Our next PAC meeting is Friday, November 16th at 9:10 am in our library. Please join us. ESL will be available, and babies and toddlers are always welcome.

Kindergarten Registration is Coming Soon – What Parents Need to Know



Kindergarten registration for children born in 2014 begins 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.

The priority registration period for Kindergarten opens on **Thursday November 1st and closes at 4 pm on Thursday January 31st**. Students who submit an application within this priority period will be accommodated before late applicants.

Applying for Kindergarten is a **2-Step process**:

Step 1: Completion of an online application form.

Step 2: Bringing supporting documentation, along with your child, to your neighbourhood English catchment school.

Supporting Documents Needed:

1. Proof of residence in Vancouver
2. Child's birth certificate
3. Immigration documentation (if applicable)
4. Immunization records
5. Court Orders/Documents (if applicable)



1 Apply Online

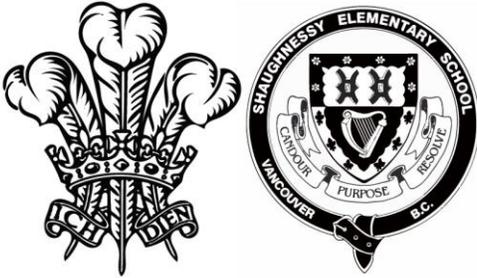


2 Visit your catchment school with necessary documents

If you want to apply for a Choice program or cross-boundary, you must first apply to your English catchment elementary school. Applications for Choice programs and cross boundary placements will begin to be accepted in early 2019.

SHY100 Committee News

CELEBRATING



100 YEARS

Please mark your calendar for [September 21, 2019](#) when Shaughnessy becomes the latest Vancouver school to join the district-wide tradition of honouring schools celebrating their centennial. As we prepare to embark on our second century, we are so pleased to be following in the footsteps of, most recently, Emily Carr Elementary School, Hudson Elementary School, Lord Strathcona Elementary School, Kitsilano Secondary School, and Britannia Secondary School.

Our SHY100 team has had an exciting and busy start to the year! While working closely with the VSB to ensure we are keeping to centennial celebration policy, we have simultaneously begun committee work with alumni and current students.

Our Student Heritage Committee is up and running with a large, committed group of intermediate students. The committee meets at lunch on Mondays in Room 005 and has been instrumental in spearheading our fundraisers including Tuck Shop Friday and Purdys Chocolates. Students on this committee will be SHY ambassadors during our celebration next September, and will continue to be actively involved in the planning and execution of our 100th celebration throughout the year. If your child is interested in joining, we invite them to attend a Monday meeting.

Our first Tuck Shop Friday was met with great success! Thank you!! Don't worry if you missed it, we'll be having another [on Friday, November 30th](#). We're thrilled to be bringing you new merchandise to add to our stock. We hope you'll think of us when shopping for gifts for your children, family, and teachers!

SHY100 fundraising with Purdys Chocolates is now open [until November 28th](#). Please follow the link below to support our centennial by purchasing some very sweet gifts for friends, family, teachers and yourself! After you've signed in, you can buy Purdys chocolates online and invite others to join and support our Fundraising Campaign. Chocolates will be available for pick-up at school in Room 005 [on December 14th](#). Thank you for your support!

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/832367-58118>

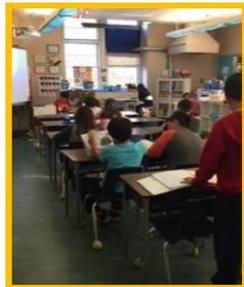
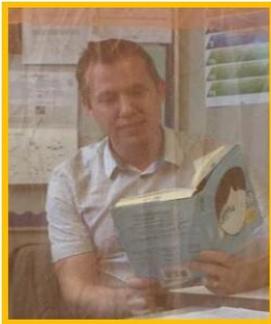
The SHY100 committee is open to all parents of currently enrolled Shaughnessy students, alumni, and retired staff. If you are interested in joining, please email us at shy.pw100@gmail.com



SHY LLC—October 2018 News



On October 22, SHY teachers and students
“Dropped Everything and Read” to show our love for
Canadian school libraries!



Remember: You can access our digital library through: library.vsb.bc.ca

- ☺ Once into the Vancouver School Board Library page, scroll down to find “Shaughnessy Elementary”
- ☺ You can now search our print catalogue
- ☺ If you log in (upper right corner of the page) with your child’s student number and enter the password “student”, you will be able to access all the digital resources available through the VSB as well as check your child’s library account (number of books out, due dates, etc.)
- ☺ Please ask Mrs. Chow if you have any questions

Upcoming Events in the Library:

Friday Nov. 16—PAC meeting

Monday Nov. 19-Thurs. Nov. 22—Scholastic Book Fair

Halloween Safety Tips

Think good visibility and fit with Halloween costumes



Choose brightly-coloured costumes so your children can be easily spotted by vehicles in the dark. Add reflective tape for good measure. Consider makeup instead of masks. Masks often shift out of place and can obstruct vision. They can also make it hard to breathe.

Road rules still apply



In all the excitement, trick-or-treaters can forget about pedestrian safety. Walk down one side of a street before crossing to the other side to limit the amount of street crossings. Cross at crosswalks. Never “criss-cross” from house to house.

Pay Close Attention When Driving



Eliminate any distractions you might have and keep your eye on the road for any Halloween activity and trick-or-treaters. If possible, avoid driving on streets with a lot of trick-or-treaters moving from house to house.

Sports News – by Ms. Carla Pace

Cross Country District Finals for 2018

Shaughnessy had a wonderful Cross Country season!! We had 200 runners from Grades K-7 who participated, raced, and achieved their personal bests. It was wonderful to see how many students understood that it was about joining in, learning about commitment, and participating in their school community. Shaughnessy students did their fair share of winning in Mini-Meets this season! We also had many top 25 finishers at the District Finals at Trout Lake.

This team is an extracurricular opportunity that would not occur without many hours given by volunteers. I want to thank those **SHY staff members** who came out to coach twice a week: Ms. Souther, Mrs. Marsh, Mrs. Waltham, Ms. Robinson, Ms. Yuen, Ms. Yip, Ms. Wiesinger, Ms. McGuire, Ms. Lui, Mr. Maciura, Mr. A. and Mr. Findlay. Also, a big thank you goes to our **parent coaches**: Michelle Harrison, Liz Goepel, Tyler Steele, Jamie Agtarap, and Chelsea Miller. I am also grateful to the parent, teacher, and student volunteers who helped before, during, and after the District Final! It's a huge event to organize and run!

I would like to add a special acknowledgement for all of the runners who participated in the ***Cross Country District Final*** at Trout Lake. In these races, there are up to 150-300 runners in each event. It was a beautiful sunny day and I was so proud to see the commitment and dedication shown by the Shaughnessy runners. There were a lot of smiles out on the race course!! Congratulations!

Ms. Carla Pace