



# THUNDERBIRD



## School Newsletter

IMPORTANT NOTICE - PLEASE TRANSLATE!

ĐÂY LÀ ĐIỀU QUAN TRỌNG, XIN NHỚ NGƯỜI THÔNG DỊCH DỪM

AVISO IMPORTANTE! POR FAVOR PIDA QUE SE LO TRADUZCAN

這是重要的通告, 希請人譯讀.

June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

Issue #9



### Message from the Principal:

Dear Families:

As we start the month of June, we are looking forward to many exciting events planned at the end of the year such as Grade 6/7 Camp, Grade 7 graduation, the talent show and many field trips. At the end of June, we will be saying goodbye to Ms. Mehnert who will be retiring after working for the Vancouver School Board since 1985. We thank her for the difference that she has made to the lives of hundreds of Thunderbird students whom she has taught for the past 19 years. We will miss her and wish Ms. Mehnert all the very best for a happy and restful retirement. We will also be saying farewell and thank you to Ms. McDouall who has been our temporary librarian since January. We hope that she enjoys the travelling that she has planned.

We have received our staffing from the Vancouver School Board and Thunderbird has been allocated nine divisions, including one Kindergarten class. This means that in September, we are full in all grades except six and seven. We have several students waitlisted for a place in the school so if your child is going to be returning to school LATER THAN noon on **Tuesday, September 4, 2018** but prior to **September 30, 2018, you must notify the office before June 30<sup>th</sup>**. If the school cannot verify your child's attendance at school by Wednesday, September 5, 2018, we cannot guarantee a space for your child when they return. Parents can pick up a Notice of Late Return form from the Parent Bulletin Board outside the office, or print a copy from our school website.

The school calendar for next year is attached to this letter and available on the school website.

**All of our Thunderbird parents, caregivers and families are invited to our Community and Volunteer Celebration on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 9:30am in the gym.** We will be having some Pow-Wow dancers perform and will be serving light refreshments afterwards. This is our chance to say thank you for your help and support. When your child sees you volunteering at school, the message that you give them is that education is important and that service to the community is valuable.

Good luck to our Track and Field team will be competing at the District track meet next week. This year all of our student athletes have represented our school with pride and shown sporting behaviour. Thank you to Mr. Costea and Ms. Lee and the SFU volunteer coaches Sofia and Dertminder who have coached the team this term. Thank you also to staff and parents who have coached, supported and driven students to sports events this past year.

Regards,

Cathy Thomas

### PAC News:

The next PAC & AGM Meeting is **Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>** in the Library. Child care is provided and a light meal is also available at 5:30pm. The meeting will start at 6pm.



**PLEASE CALL  
SAFE ARRIVAL  
before 9:00am  
604-713-5159  
Press 81**



**IF YOUR CHILD WILL  
BE LATE  
OR  
ABSENT FROM  
SCHOOL**

***Please do not call  
the office***

### Important Dates

- June 1<sup>st</sup> -Welcome to Kindergarten Orientation 1:15-3pm  
- Div 7/8 Field Trip
- June 5<sup>th</sup> Track Meet – Van Tech
- June 6<sup>th</sup> - PAC Meeting & AGM  
- Library Books Due
- June 7<sup>th</sup> - Div 7/8 Field Trip  
- Div 1&2 to UBC
- June 18<sup>th</sup> Gr 6/7 leave for Camp
- June 19<sup>th</sup> Div 5-10 Field Trip
- June 20<sup>th</sup> Gr 6/7 return from Camp
- June 21 Aboriginal Day and Volunteer Appreciation
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> Talent Show
- June 25<sup>th</sup> Div 10 Potluck 2pm
- June 26<sup>th</sup> Grade 7 Ceremony
- June 27<sup>th</sup> Classes to Sunrise Park
- June 28<sup>th</sup> Year-end Assembly & last day for students

### *Code of Conduct*

At Thunderbird we are Safe and Respectful with:

- ✓ Ourselves
- ✓ Others
- ✓ The Environment



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## 2018-19 School Fees

The School Supply Fee for 2018-2019 will remain at \$25.00 per student. This fee covers basic consumable school supplies used for students' personal use such as paper, writing tools, glue, erasers, exercise books and art supplies. Supplies are provided for the full year. Agenda fee for Grade 3-7 students will be \$5.

## School Cash Online:



**Please take five minutes to register, even if your preference is to pay in cash.** – visit

<https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com> or go to our School website at

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/thunderbird/Pages/default.aspx>, and click the link "Pay a School Fee" on the home page. Then click "Register". You will need your child's usual first name, last name and birth date to register. A email will be sent to you from school cash online. **Please open email and click the link provided to confirm and complete registration.**

**\*\* If you don't have an email address, please create one.** Going forward important information will be sent to parents by email only. Don't miss out!



## Message from Vancouver Public Library

Children across the province will be taking a big step forward this summer when they join this year's BC Summer Reading Club: Motion Commotion.

Summer Reading Club is free and registration starts on Friday June 15th until the end of the summer. Sign up at any BC Public Library and receive your own personal reading package. Once registered, club members read at least 15 minutes a day for 50 days to earn their Summer Reading Club Medal! Meanwhile, keep the reading in motion by visiting your closest Vancouver Public Library branch for contests, activities, and free kids' programs. For more information, visit [www.vpl.ca/SummerReading](http://www.vpl.ca/SummerReading) or a branch near you!

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## Warm Weather:

As the weather gets warmer and the sun becomes stronger, please remind your child to drink water regularly during the school day. Students are encouraged to bring water bottles to school, to wear hats and sunscreen and to seek shade for part of their lunch break.

## Early Summer Vacation:

If your child is leaving early for summer vacation, please let Paula in the office know the last day of attendance for your child. Report cards will be kept at the office and can be picked up in September.



## Sports Day!!

