



THE WOLFE REPORT

GENERAL WOLFE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Important Dates to Remember

January 16th	PAC meeting	6:30pm Library
January 29th	Curriculum Implementation Day	Students do not attend
February 2 nd	Communicating Student Learning Reports go home	

January 8th, 2018

Dear Wolfe Parents and Guardians:

We hope everyone had a safe and fun filled two weeks, with lots of time spent with family and friends.

December was a busy month-many thanks to Mr. Smathers for coordinating the Winter Concert, and a big thank you to the choir and the classes who participated. It was a fun evening.

Thank you to the Wolfe Community for the support of others this month-we have had a very successful toy drive. As well, the Humanitarian Clubs Well Water drive raised \$1,734.00.

We have had a successful Volleyball season-thank you to Ms. Walker for coordinating all the coaches and sponsors, as well as a big thank you to the staff and parents who coached and sponsored teams. We are now looking forward to basketball season.

We end the year with a good-bye to Ms. Kyla Bourgh, she has been here teaching drama. We appreciate all the energy she has brought to the position. Mr. Mathewson has returned from leave, and we are delighted to welcome him back.

If you are doing any New Year cleaning, there are a few items the school is looking for. We would appreciate any Lego or Playmobile which is no longer being used, and we are looking for primary level books to build our home reading collection. If you have any of these items we would be delighted to make use of them.

On behalf of the Wolfe staff, we look forward to a positive and productive 2018.

Thank you

Susan Nichols

Principal

Kindergarten Registration

Important Information Regarding Kindergarten Registration

Currently General Wolfe Elementary is experiencing an increase in the number of students living within our catchment area who want to attend General Wolfe Elementary. The Vancouver School Board is aware of the enrollment pressures within our community and have designated General Wolfe Elementary as a 'full' school for 2018-19 registration. As a school designated as 'full' please note the following:

Kindergarten Registrations Received Between November 1st and January 31st:

1. In-catchment Kindergarten registrants who have a sibling who is currently attending and who will continue to attend General Wolfe Elementary next year **will be enrolled first**.
2. The names of all other in-catchment registrants will be entered in a **random draw** for the remaining Kindergarten spaces.
3. Students who cannot be accommodated will be placed on a waitlist in the order in which their name is drawn.

It is extremely important that you register your child for Kindergarten between November 1st and January 31st, 2018.

Winter Weather – School Closure Information

Parents should be aware that when snow is expected overnight the VSB monitors the weather and road conditions carefully and has a thorough system in place to do an evaluation of transportation routes well before schools open in the morning. There is also a well-established communications system in the district and between surrounding school districts.



In the unlikely event that schools are impacted or closed by snow, the district website and local radio stations are the best sources of information. Should there be a heavy snowfall, your best sources of information are the following radio, television stations or website:

CKNW (980)	CKWX (NEWS 1130 AM)
CBC RADIO (690 AM, 105.7 FM)	BCTV/Global (Cable Channel 11)
FAIRCHILD Radio (CJVB AM 1470/CKHG FM 96.1)	CITY TV (Cable Channel 13)
Vancouver School Board – www.vsb.bc.ca	

January's Social Responsibility Focus is Resilience

Resilience is the ability to become strong, healthy or successful again after something bad happens, or, in other words, being able to "bounce back".

Resilience is something that must be learned, we are not born with this trait. There are three main ways to help build our children's resiliency:

1. Promote a sense of mastery as it builds hope in children. Remind your child that mastery is not achieved instantly and that it is something that must be strived for and worked at. Help your child break tasks into smaller steps to complete one at a time.
2. Promote a sense of relatedness with other caring adults in their community. These supportive relationships foster and influence resilience. Talk about the people in their neighbourhood who could help them if they encounter a problem. Help your children think about the consequences of their actions and decisions before they make them and give them choice so that they can understand consequences.

3. Promote emotional reactivity in your children as recovering from being upset and being able to moderate their emotions are necessary for personal resiliency. Help your children learn to “self-sooth” through breathing or other techniques to settle themselves when upset. Help them understand that high levels of emotional reaction leave them vulnerable and unable to think clearly. Explain that the longer they take to recover the longer they will feel upset and uncomfortable. In addition, help them to understand their triggers and how to manage them better.



WOLFE CODE OF CONDUCT

Be PAWSitive

- Polite
- Accountable
- Welcoming
- Safe

